

**The Alumni Association of the
University of Maryland School of Pharmacy
Alumni Board Annual Business Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 1, 2014
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm Board Conference Room**

In attendance: Fred Abramson, Cynthia Boyle, James Bresette Min-li Cary, Rai Cary, Julian Chun, Mathilda Fienkeng, Brian Hose, Sam Lichter, Sharon Park, Bradley Thomas, Chai James Wang, Howard Schiff, Sam Lichter, Magaly Rodriguez de Bittner, Michael Steinberg, Hoai An Truong Doris Voigt

SGA Representatives: Michael Leung, Brandon Keith, Amy D'Silva, Amanda Batdorf, Emmanuel T. Ventura

Faculty and Staff: Janice Batzold and Jennifer McGinley, Megan Moorefield

Absent: Lynette Bradley-Baker, Mandy Kwong, Gina McKnight-Smith, Matt Shimoda

Call to Order

Brian Hose

Welcome and President's Remarks

Brian Hose

Brian welcomed the group and called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Introductions

Update from Dean's Office

Magaly Rodriguez de Bittner, PharmD, CDE, BCPS

Professor & Chair, Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science

Dr. Magaly Rodriguez de Bittner gave the Dean's update because the Dean could not attend.

- Faculty, students, and alumni from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy joined the Maryland Pharmacy Coalition, for its annual Legislative Day in Annapolis in February at which we advocated for members of the Maryland General Assembly to help pharmacists assume a greater role as health care providers to improve patients' quality of health care and reduce costs.

Visit to Annapolis and Op-Ed in March 7, 2014 edition of *Baltimore Sun*

- On Tuesday, March 4, The Dean traveled to Annapolis to meet one-on-one with members of the Maryland General Assembly.
 - Educated senators and delegates about the training, education, and expertise pharmacists have that enhances patient care.
 - Members of the Prince George's delegation were especially interested in pharmacy activities related to transitions of care, comprehensive medication reviews and monitoring, chronic disease management, and patient education as they seek ways to improve the health status for residents in their jurisdiction.
 - Delegates Frush, Griffith, Hubbard, and Summers from Prince George's County pledged their support to optimize pharmacy services on health care teams. Likewise, Chairman Hammen of the House Health and Government Operations Committee and Chairwomen Carter-Conway of the Senate Education, Health and the Environment Committee, plan briefings on provider status for pharmacists over the interim.

- I hope many of you read my opinion piece on provider status for pharmacists that appeared in the March 7 edition of the *Baltimore Sun*. I've received positive feedback from many faculty, alumni, collaborators, and friends of the School.
 - Many of our pharmacy professional associations and pharmacy businesses are working together on both the local and national levels to move this issue forward.
 - The profession made a major leap forward with the introduction of a bill last week in the House of Representatives to amend Title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of pharmacists' patient care services.
 - HR Bill 4190 would enable patient access to, and payment for, Medicare Part B services by state-licensed pharmacists in medically underserved communities.

Shanghai Jiao Tong University – Announced March 18, 2014

- The School of Pharmacy recently signed a letter of agreement with a university in China to explore joint educational, research, and scientific exchanges.
- International cooperation in research and innovation is a priority for the School. Dr. Peter Swaan, our associate dean for research and graduate education, will oversee this new partnership.
- This letter of agreement opens the door for:
 - The exchange of students for long or short study programs
 - The development of collaboration in areas such as microbiology, antibiotics, drugs of abuse, and oncology through the use of drug design, discovery, chemical biology, drug formulation, and targeted delivery
 - The exchange of faculty members for the purposes of research, teaching, and other scholarly activities
 - The development of academic exchange programs including school publications, treatises, research materials, and admissions information
 - Notification of the availability of grants for international cooperative research

AWARDS

2014 APhA Awards and Appointment - Recognize faculty members' and student's excellence in pharmacy practice and dedication to advancing the profession

- Two faculty members from the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science have been named the recipients of awards from the American Pharmacists Association.
 - **Dr. Cherokee Layson-Wolf**, associate dean for student affairs and associate professor in PPS, has been named the 2014 recipient of the APhA's Community Pharmacy Residency Excellence in Precepting Award for her demonstrated excellence as a preceptor and director of the School of Pharmacy's **Community Pharmacy Residency Program**.
 - APhA's Distinguished New Practitioner Award will be presented to **Dr. Brent Reed**, an assistant professor in PPS. This award recognizes a new practitioner who, although new to the profession, has demonstrated distinctive achievements in mentorship, service, and commitment to the pharmacy profession.
 - **Monet Stanford**, a third-year student pharmacist, has been appointed as the student consultant for the American Pharmacists Association's Community Pharmacy Residency Panel.

USM Board of Regents Faculty Award for Mentoring

Dr. Jill Morgan, associate professor of pharmacy practice and science and former associate dean for student affairs, was selected to receive the 2014 University System of Maryland Board of Regents' Faculty Award for Mentoring and **Dr. Bruce Anderson**, also an associate professor of pharmacy practice and science and director of the Maryland Poison Center was selected to receive the Board of Regents Award for Public Service. These awards are the highest honor that the Board bestows to recognize exemplary faculty achievement. Each year, up to 18 awards in six categories – collaboration; mentoring; public service; research/scholarship/creative activity; teaching, and innovation – are presented. The Regents will recognize Drs. Morgan and Anderson at a special breakfast ceremony as well as during the public session of the full board meeting on April 11.

Events:

Lamy Center Colloquium - April 9, 3:30 to 6pm

The School of Pharmacy's Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging will be hosting a colloquium on April 9 recognizing the 20th anniversary of the death of Dr. Peter Lamy and celebrating his work in drug use among the elderly. Entitled "Challenges in Medication Management in Older Adults with Dementia: How Have Research and Policy Affected Clinical Practice?", the colloquium will bring together clinicians, researchers, and policy makers to improve the quality of drug prescribing for the elderly. Moderated by Dr. Nicki Brandt, an associate professor of pharmacy practice and science, the event will feature:

- Dr. Linda Simoni-Wastila, a professor of pharmaceutical health services research
- Dr. Shari Ling of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- Dr. Susan M. Levy of the Hebrew Geriatric Center

***The event is free for faculty, staff, and students, and all are invited to attend. Visit the School's website for more information.**

Academy of Preceptors - April 16, 5:30 to 8:45 p.m.

The Academy of Preceptors is an annual live seminar and dinner for all School of Pharmacy preceptors. The program will be held on Wednesday, April 16 from 5:30 to 8:45 p.m. There is no cost to attend this activity for preceptors from the School of Pharmacy. This year's program is entitled "Motivating and Teaching Across Generations," and will be presented by School of Pharmacy faculty Dr. Stuart T. Haines and Dr. Mary Lynn McPherson. More information is on our website.

Approval of Minutes from 1/16/14

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President's Annual Address

Brian Hose

Treasurer's Report

Bradley Thomas

Bradley said everything looked good. All accounts are updated at this point.

Standing Committee Reports

Graduation Committee- Graduation Banquet May 14, 2014 - All underway. Min Li and Rai are supporting Alumni Affairs by calling all sponsors to confirm their financial support for the Banquet. They are doing a great job. Sponsors so far:

- Hill's Drug Store – not sure yet; their children are taking over the business
- Correct RX \$2,500

- Giant 1K and add. \$520 additional tix
- Mt. Vernon \$500
- Klein's \$500
- Northern Pharmacy \$500
- Professional Pharmacy \$500
- Sharpsburg \$500

Total: \$6,520

Several pharmacies have not responded yet.

Communications and Outreach

Brian Hose

The Alumni Association hosted a family ice skating event on February 1 in Laurel, Maryland. The indoor rink would be a better choice. This may continue to be an annual event. Food was \$7.95 per person. Room rental was \$150. An economical event overall. The second event will be a family spring picnic in Gambrill's State Park Saturday, April 26. Please attend. The Office of Development and Alumni Affairs and Brian and Matilda helped to host a successful FDA/HHS TGI Friday's Annual Spring Fling. Brian was pleased with the turnout.

Goal for next year is to have two Alumni Association sponsored events.

Reunion 2014 – The alumni board along with the Office of Development and alumni Affairs made the final decisions for the reunion. It was decided and voted that the Reunion will be a two-day event. Friday, September 12 will be an Orioles vs Yankees game event for alums. Tickets will be \$20 for all attendees. The goal for this evening is to reach a wide range of ages and families with children. The Saturday, September 13 event will include a Taste of Baltimore themed luncheon where the Classes of 1963 and 1964 will be honored as well as those Milestone Classes ending in 3, 8, 4, and 9. Pricing for kids around \$15 for luncheon and adults approximately \$40.

All events are communicated through emails, Constant Contact, and social media outlets which include – Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter

Old Business

Brian Hose

Regional Alumni Gatherings- Discussed above

New Business

Brian Hose

Terra Mariae – The Alumni Association will again buy a full page ad for \$1000. Approved. Jennifer McGinley will send the artwork in for the ad. Brian will approve first. Brandon Keith mentioned that the publication has been failing. The yearbook will now be a committee within the SGA to increase sustainability.

Set scholarship amounts for 2014 .

Two \$1000 scholarship awards to class of 2017. Fred Abramson Entrepreneurship award will be just one \$500 award instead of two. This will increase the importance of the award. Tim Rocafort was contacted for names during the meeting. All approved.

Development & Alumni Update:

We had over 40 attendees at the March APhA reception in Orlando. The MPhA reception also had a good turnout. Graduation Banquet and Reunion and upcoming receptions and events are all in the process. The 1963 and 1964 class will be honored at the September All- Alumni Reunion Weekend.

Budget presentation

Bradley Thomas

- Everything is in good standing.
- Decreased our overall food budget by 50%.
- Donating \$1000 for Year book
- Donating \$1000 for student organizations
- For alumni events we have \$1000 in the budget
- Graduation Budget - \$26,000 overall
- We currently have \$3,596.04 left
- General operating budget - \$6,300

Good and Welfare

New Officers for 2014-2015

President - Julian Chun

President–Elect - Sharon Park

Immediate Past-President – Brian Hose

Treasurer - Bradley Thomas

Secretary - Chai Wang

**All officers will be officially inducted at Annual Alumni Association Retreat*

SGA & Class Updates

SGA President: Brandon Keith

- The Yearbook is struggling, but we hope to incorporate through the SGA.
- Our class is in the midst of studying for exams.

2014 Class Update – Michael Leung

- We are all very excited about our upcoming Graduation and activities and we will be giving a gift of \$2000 to the school at our Graduation Banquet.
- 40 students matched for residency
- 30 students attending the Friday, March 28 social

2015 Class Update – Amy D'Silva

- Puerto Rico was a success! We will now have the opportunity to have a rotation in Puerto Rico. We had excellent pharmacy outreach with the Dean of the pharmacy school in Puerto Rico and Eli Lilly. We also received out last year of rotation schedules.

2016 Class Update – Amanda Batdorf

- Our Class Auction last week was a success and a lot of fun. Over 100 people attended and we raised about \$8000.

2017 Class Update – Emmanuel T. Ventura

- We will do a variety of fundraisers for the 2014-2015 academic year:
- *Joe Corby* –pizza and cookie dough sale
- Won March madness \$100 raised
- Birthday grams – We will sell fortune cookies
- Goodie bags to for \$3
- We will host a social with first year SOM students this April

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm