

# **MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**

**Sunday, May 3, 2015**

**The Saratoga Hilton/Springs City Center Saratoga Springs, NY**

A meeting of the Council of the Medical Society of the State of New York was convened at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at the Saratoga Hilton, Saratoga Springs, NY

The President of the Society presided:

## **PRESENT**

### **OFFICERS**

Kira A. Geraci-Ciardullo, MD, MPH  
Andrew Y. Kleinman, MD  
William R. Latreille, Jr., MD,  
FACP, AME  
Bonnie L. Litvack, MD, FACR  
Thomas J. Madejski, MD, FACP  
Joseph R. Maldonado, Jr., MD,  
MSc, MBA, DipEBHC  
Malcolm D. Reid, MD, MPP  
Charles Rothberg, MD  
Joseph R. Sellers, MD, FAAP, FACP

### **COUNCILORS**

Mark J. Adams, MD, MBA, FACR  
Edward Kelly Bartels, MD  
Joshua M. Cohen, MD  
Frank G. Dowling, MD  
Robert A. Hesson, MD  
Howard H. Huang, MD  
John J. Kennedy, MD  
Charles A. Kenworthy  
Thomas T. Lee, MD  
Parag H. Mehta, MD  
Paul A. Pipia, MD  
Saulius I. Skeivys, MD  
Harold M. Sokol, MD  
Robert A. Viviano, DO  
Luis Carolos Zapata, MD

### **TRUSTEES**

Mark L. Fox, MD  
Paul A. Hamlin, MD, FCCP  
Robert J. Hughes, MD, FACS  
William R. Latreille, MD, FACP, AME  
Leah S. McCormack, MD  
Michael H. Rosenberg, MD

### **MSSNY STAFF**

Sandy Bennett  
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Christina Southard  
Julie Vecchione DeSimone

### **COUNTY EXECES**

Cynthia Burger  
Shirley Cosgriff  
Stuart Friedman, MPS  
Christine Nadolny

### **EXECUTIVE STAFF**

Philip A. Schuh, CPA, MS  
Donald R. Moy, Esq.

### **EXCUSED**

Arthur C. Fougner, MD  
Sam L. Unterricht, MD

A. Call to Order and Roll Call

B. **APPROVED**, the Council Minutes of March 3, 2015

C. **New Business (All New Action & Informational Items):**

1. President's Report:

a. **APPROVED** the 2015-2016 MSSNY Meeting Schedule

b. **APPROVED** the new 2015-2016 Committee Selections

c. **APPROVED** the following physicians appointed to the 2015 MSSNY Executive Committee of the Council:

Bonnie Litvack, MD

Howard Huang, MD

d. **APPROVED**, Thomas T. Lee, MD to serve as the 9<sup>th</sup> District Councilor

2. **Secretary's Report** ó No verbal report

3. **Board of Trustees Report** - A meeting of the MSSNY Board of Trustees was held on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at the MSSNY House of Delegates. The following actions taken by the Board at that meeting were:

The Board unanimously elected William Latreille, MD, FACP, AME as the New Board Chair.

The Board approved the Minutes from the Board of Trustees Meeting held in Albany on March 3, 2015.

The Board voted and agreed not to continue its membership in the Physician Consortium for Performance Improvement (PCPI).

The Board agreed to continue its participation in the Commission to End HealthCare Disparities.

The Board approved the proposed per-diem rates that had been presented for the June AMA Annual Meeting in Chicago as follows:

Four Nights Stay	\$1,889
Five Nights Stay	\$2,223

The Board approved funding for continued participation in the State Coalition in the amount of \$20,000.

4. **MSSNYPAC** ó To support the following change to the Operating Principles for MSSNYPAC, the Political Action Committee of the Medical Society of the State of New York:

***A MOTION was PROPOSED and PASSED that MSSNYPAC shall have a Chair and two Vice-Chairs (addition underlined)***

D. **Commissioners (All Action Items from Committees):**

No verbal reports

E. **Reports of Officers (Informational)**

1. Office of the President - Dr. Maldonado welcomed the Officers, Councilors and Trustees. For the coming year, he would like to focus on MSSNY Membership. Start by having the Officers, Councilors, Trustees, County Society Presidents, County Society Execs, Presidents of Specialty Societies to begin a process in identifying hospitals, large group practices and physicians active in practice to recruit membership and gather data to report to the Council at each meeting.
2. Office of the President-Elect
3. Office of the Treasurer ó **ACCEPTED**, the Financial Statement for the period 1/1/15 to 3/31/15
4. Office of the Secretary
5. Office of the Speaker

F. **Commissioners (All Committee and Sub-Committee Minutes)**

**The following Minutes were submitted for information:**

1. Commissioner of Socio Medical Economics, Harold Sokol, MD  
Interspecialty Committee Minutes ó February 26, 2015
2. Commissioner of Science & Public Health, Frank G. Dowling, MD  
Committee to Eliminate Health Care Disparities Minutes, February 27, 2015
3. Commissioner of Governmental Relations, Charles Rothberg, MD  
Long Term Care Subcommittee Minutes, January 21, 2015
4. Commissioner of Communications, Joshua M. Cohen, MD  
MSSNY Communications Division Report
5. Commissioner of Continuing Medical Education, Mark J. Adams, MD  
MSSNYø Subcommittee on Educational Programs

- G. **Reports of Councilors (Informational):**  
**The following Reports were submitted for information:**
1. Third District Report ó Harold Sokol, MD
  2. Fifth District Report ó Howard Huang, MD
  3. Sixth District Report ó Robert Hesson, MD
  4. Seventh District Report ó Mark Adams, MD
  5. Manhattan/Bronx Report ó Joshua M. Cohen, MD, MPH
  6. Medical Student Section Report ó Charles Kenworthy
  7. Kings/Richmond Report ó Parag H. Mehta, MD
  8. Ninth District Report ó Bonnie Litvack, MD

- H. **Report of the Executive Vice-President**  
**The following report was submitted for information**  
Membership Dues Revenue Schedule

- I. **Other Information/Announcements**  
**The following letters were submitted for information:**
1. Press Release Article ó Health Care Payment Learning and Action Network kick off to advance value and quality in health care
  2. ICD-10 Sign On Letter

- J. **Adjournment** ó There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.