

DRAFT Minutes
MSSNY Medical Education Committee
January 10, 2018
Teleconference
7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Via Teleconference

Present

Robert Goldberg, DO, Chair
Adolph Meyer, MD, Vice-Chair
Kevin Plancher, MD
Khalid Qazi, MD
Steven Sherman, DO
Renée Solomon, MD

Absent

Elizabeth Haines, DO
Mark Lema, MD, PhD
Sheldon Putterman, MD
Michael Reichgott, MD
Frederick Schiavone, MD
Joseph Sellers, MD
Stephanie Zeszutek, DO

Excused

Abimanyu Amarnani, Student

Invited Guest

Larry Melniker, MD
Jo Weiderhorn

MSSNY Staff

Pat Clancy, VP Public Health & Education
Terri Holmes, Secretary

- 1 **1) Welcome / Introductions:** Dr. Goldberg called the meeting to order and welcomed the
2 committee.
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- 4 **2) Adoption of Minutes – October 10, 2016:** Adopted as written.
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- 6 **3) House of Delegates 2016 Resolution 156-Referred to committee by MSSNY Council:**
7 MSSNY Council referred this resolution to the Medical Education Committee for
8 recommendation.
9 **A) Testimony from Sponsor – Larry Melniker, MD:** Dr. Melniker gave a brief
10 presentation in support of Resolution 156. He stated that about twelve medical schools in the
11 United States have begun to introduce ultrasound training and there is currently an International
12 Consensus conference across all specialties developing evidence based recommendations for a
13 four year curricula. This would not require adding hours of training but instead be incorporated
14 into the regular curriculum. Dr. Melniker asked that the committee endorse what he says is
15 already AMA and MSSNY policy.
16 **B) Recommendation to MSSNY Council:** There was much discussion on this
17 resolution and the committee agreed to support the resolution with amendments and forward it to
18 all specialty boards. The first RESOLVED will be removed and slight changes in the wording of
19 the second RESOLVED. Ms. Clancy agreed to make the changes and forward it to the
20 committee for approval.
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- 22 **4) Update from Jo Weiderhorn, President & Chief Executive Officer AMSNY:** Ms.
23 Weiderhorn gave a brief overview of what AMSNY is currently doing. It was explained that
24 they have been working on getting money from the state that would be split among sixteen
25 medical schools. 20 million dollars was provided specifically for the medical schools. They also
26 run a diversity program which was started back in 1985. The intent was to get kids from
27 educationally, economically, ethnically and/or racially underrepresented communities and get
28 them interested in medical school. About 3-4 years ago the state education department changed
29 the funding allocation formula and it became more beneficial for the schools to apply for the
30 funding on their own. AMSNY's number one lobbying effort this year is to try and maintain the
31 diversity programs. AMSNY did receive \$500,000 to start a scholarship program. Its for ten
32 students who have gone through one of the postback programs. The scholarship is then paid to
33 SUNY tuition & fees. Each student would receive \$42,000 which is the tuition for SUNY.
34 Along with the scholarship is an obligation to work in an underserved area. In August, ten
35 students were awarded that scholarship. AMSNY plans to continue the funding for those ten
36 students plus add an additional ten students to the program.

37 One committee suggest that AMSNY have some sort of fund raising gala and that MSSNY
38 partner with AMSNY in their effort to raise money.
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40 **6) Meeting Dates for 2018:** A Doodle Poll will be sent out to committee members to establish
41 dates for the 2018 meetings.
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