



MEDICAL SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 2018

A meeting of the Council of the Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY) was convened at 8:30 am on Sunday, March 25, 2018 at the Adam's Mark Hotel Buffalo, NY

Thomas J. Madejski, MD, FACP, President of the Society, presided:

PRESENT

OFFICERS

*Thomas J. Madejski, MD
Arthur C. Fougner, MD
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GUESTS

*Arthur Cooper, MD
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- A. *Call to Order and Roll Call*
- B. **APPROVED**, the Council Minutes of March 6, 2018
- C. *New Business (All New Action & Informational Items)*

President's Report:

Dr. Madejski thanked everyone for welcoming him as the new President. He welcomed the MSSNY Officers, Councilors, Trustees, County Executives, Guests and the following:

*Bonnie L. Litvack, MD – New Vice-President
Gregory Pinto, MD – New Fourth District Councilor
Stephen F. Coccaro, MD – New OMSS Councilor
Breyen Coffin - New Medical Student Section Councilor*

- a. **APPROVED** the 2018/2019 Meeting Schedule
- b. **APPROVED** the 2018/2019 Committee Appointments Roster

D. **Report of the Executive Vice President, Philip Schuh, CPA, MS**

- 1. *Membership Dues Revenue Schedule*
- 2. *Group Institutional Dues Schedule*

Mr. Schuh asked everyone to review the Membership Dues Schedule and the Group Institutional Dues Schedule. MSSNY is trying to get hospital medical staffs of institutions to become members.

A study was conducted by Avalere Health Consulting that between 2012-2015, 50,000 physician practices were sold to hospitals. Between 2015 and 2016 an additional 5,600 providers were purchased by hospitals. The issues that we face are that our market has changed, dramatically, due to small & solo practices are no longer in business.

Mr. Schuh gave a brief report of the Empire State Medical, Scientific & Educational Foundation, Inc. The Foundation is one of the two operating subsidiaries of MSSNY. It is a not-for profit corporation focused on providing quality medical review services throughout New York State and nationally. As an independent review organization, the Foundation has been involved in Statewide and National medical review since 1984. Though independent of MSSNY, the Foundation maintains a cooperative relationship with MSSNY in terms of access to its membership of thousands of medical practitioners of all specialties. The Foundation subleases space from MSSNY in Westbury and also has an office in Camillus near Syracuse. The Foundation has made a contribution to MSSNY's operating budget on an annual basis to offset certain shared expenses. That contribution for 2018 totaled \$250,000.

E. **Reports of Councilors**

The following County reports were ACCEPTED as submitted:

- 1. *Nassau County Report – Paul A. Pipia, MD*
- 2. *Suffolk County Report - Maria A. Basile, MD, MBA*
- 3. *Kings & Richmond Report – Parag H. Mehta, MD*

F. **Adjournment** - *There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.*