

AMERICAN PHYSICAL THERAPISTS ASSOCIATION OF MARYLAND, INC.

Minutes of Special Meeting, July 6th, 1966

The Special Meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Lang, at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Lang announced that there was not a quorum present at this meeting, nor at the last meeting, but that we would proceed with business, and the business transacted at both meetings would be brought to the membership for approval at the next meeting at which a quorum is present.

The Minutes of the May 1966 Meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Mr. Schlegal, Treasurer, reported that an additional convention delegate, Virginia Buckley, will receive \$50.00.

Chief Delegate, Ruth Latimer, reported there were no further details received from the National Office concerning House of Delegates business.

Miss Dixon, Public Relations Chairman, reported that 120 copies of the Chapter Directory are left and were to be handed over to Mr. Mazzacone, Membership Chairman. Miss Dixon stated that Baltimore Chair Company had requested 6 extra copies of the directory. These have been sent and Baltimore Chair Company has been billed \$3.00 for these.

Mr. Schlegal reported having received all payments from our advertisers.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to send directories to all remaining State chapters (not previously sent copies), and to all new members.

The public Relations Committee was commended for a job well done.

A discussion followed concerning the method of procuring all wanted corrections and changes of listings for the Fall directory. Mr. Schlegal was instructed to send post cards for this purpose with the dues notices. The members are to be requested to place name, business and home address and phone number as they wish it to appear in the directory.

Mr. Lang announced a job available at Peninsula General Hospital, hospital for acute disease, with a starting salary of \$8,500.

Miss Latimer announced two positions available at University Hospital: One with the Faculty at Physical Therapy School, and the other at Division of Physical Medicine under Dr. Paul Richardson.

Mrs. Kendall announced coming meetings of Workmen's Compensation Commission Fee Schedule Committee concerning a new fee schedule. A discussion followed as to whether the Chapter as a whole would be interested in setting up a recommended fee schedule.

Mr. Burch tendered his resignation as Legislative Chairman and Director. This was accepted by the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Kendall announced that Mr. Gaines had asked for a corrected copy of the physical therapy section of the Health Act Revision. This was prepared by Mr. and Mrs. Kendall and Mr. Fine, and given to Mr. Gaines July 5, 1966, for him to take to a closed meeting. The meeting was cancelled because of the storm.

Mr. Lang asked for volunteers for Chairman from remaining members of the Legislative Committee. Mr. Fine and Mrs. Kendall volunteered as Co-Chairmen.

Discussion followed concerning retaining a lawyer. Mrs. Kendall explained \$250.00 fee would include handling Health Act Revision, Incorporation papers, tax exempt status, and watching legislation.

Motion was made, seconded and passed that the Finance Committee with consultation of officers and Committee Chairman prepare a budget. This budget is to be presented to the Executive Committee, which should decide whether to propose an assessment. Membership should be provided with background information and reasons why assessment may be necessary.

Miss Latimer, Chairman of Sub-Committee on By-Laws, asked for additional volunteers to serve on Committee. Mr. Mazzacone, Mr. Peach and Mr. Sisk volunteered. Miss Latimer announced that National Office has sent recommendations for By-Law changes, including that duties of officers should be dropped from By-Laws and be put in a Standard Operational Procedures. Mr. Lang asked that offices prepare a list of their duties.

Mr. Lang asked Mr. Mazzacone to call an Executive Committee Meeting combined with Finance Committee within the next week.

~~Mr. Lang announced that the Maryland State Department of Health will begin a Physical Therapy aide or assistant program as of January, 1967. It is hoped the Chapter will aid in writing the law and will take part in testing and control of the graduates of this program. Mr. Lang explained the program will probably follow the stipulations which the Ad Hoc Committee presented last year and which the Chapter approved. The program will start July 1, 1967 and graduates will be under the State Merit System and be State employed. Montebello will be the facility for classroom teaching, and Chapter members are hoped to be teachers and will be paid.~~

Mr. Lang further announced that the State is sponsoring a course July 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th on the Consultative Process. This session of the course can accommodate ten Physical Therapists and ten Occupational Therapists upon invitation only. The course will be offered again next spring or summer, and might be sponsored federally.

Mr. Lang read a letter from Maryland Health Careers Council asking members to appoint a representative for three years in order to plan a joint Committee to expand the Council. Mrs. Kendall stated she would like to continue to serve as our representative until the organization becomes more stabilized. A suggestion was made that Recruitment Chairman be named as an alternate.

~~A motion was made that Mrs. Kendall be appointed as three-year representative and Recruitment Chairman, Geraldine DeFlora, be named as alternate. The Executive Committee approved these nominations.~~

Mr. Lang next gave information regarding procurement of Medicare publications. These are;

- 1) Health Insurance and Related Provisions of Public Law 89-97, Social Security Amendments of 1965 (Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402). . 35¢.
- 2) -A. Conditions of Participation for Hospitals H I M-1 (2-66), U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Social Security Administration.
B. Conditions for Participation in an Extended Care Facility H I M-3 (3-66) -same address as above.
C. Conditions for Participation of Home Health Agencies H I M -2 (3-66) - same address as above.

A discussion followed concerning the Title 18-19 under Medicare. Title 19 which is effective next year provides medical care from birth to death. Payment for services will be scaled and Mr. Lang explained each county is providing its own scale, and that Chapter members will have to contact County Health Officer about becoming eligible to deliver services. Mr. Lang stated he sees need for a fee Committee and need for possibly either inactive members becoming active on a part-time basis or active members participating in after job services.

The Fee Committee consists of Mr. Fine, Mrs. Kendall and Mr. Rhoads. Mr. Sisk mentioned the possibility of contacting private practice therapists in Prince George's and Montgomery Counties who may be interested in serving on Fee Committee.

Due to the amount of work facing the Legislative and Fee Schedule Committees, Mrs. Kendall asked to be relieved as our representative to the Maryland Health Careers Council. Miss De Flora, our Recruitment Chairman, will be asked to be our representative with Mrs. Kendall acting as alternate.

Mr. Lang will act as liason concerning developments of Medicare Services as they relate to the Chapter Members.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Signed

Barbara A. Yerger
Secretary