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Attendance:

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| **Board Position** | **Name** | **Present** | **Absent** |
| President | Bryan McCarthy | x |  |
| President Elect | Ray Iannuccillo | x |  |
| Past President | Maggie Charpentier |  | x |
| Secretary | Shannon Levesque | x |  |
| Treasurer | Ross Casey | x |  |
| Board Member at Large | Catherine Li | x |  |
| Director for Program Development | Amy St. Amand | x |  |
| Director for Legislation | Conor McGladrigan | x |  |
| Director for Communications/IT | Nelson Caetano | x |  |
| Director for Membership | Chloe Morgan | x |  |
| Technician Board Member | Tammy Burbine | x |  |
| Standing Alternate Delegate | Karen Nolan | x |  |

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| **Guest Name** | **Present** | **Absent** |
| Katie Scroggs (SSHP Student Liaison) | x |  |
| Linda Nelson |  | x |
| Martha Roberts |  | x |
| Chris Federico (RIPA president) |  | x |
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1. Call to order: 5:04 pm.
2. Consent Agenda Items
   1. Minutes from June 20th Board Meeting reviewed and approved. Ray motion. Catherine second. Unanimously approved.
3. Old Business
   1. RISHP Summer Event Debrief – Bryan.
      1. Pictures shared, thank you for a great event
   2. ASHP State Affiliate Annual Review Report Submitted – Bryan.
      1. Results are presented in an aggregate manner that serves as a “snapshot” of where state affiliate successes and challenges are currently. ASHP’s Commission on Affiliate Relations found it valuable to review this timely information from ASHP State Affiliates to be able to recognize state affiliate accomplishments and see areas of need for education and assistance from ASHP Staff in a timely manner.
      2. This report allows us to take a quick look at affiliate activities over the past year. Since most State Affiliate Presidents already summarize their activities at the end of their term, it was felt that one of the Presidential Officers would be the best to complete this report. However, since your organizational year probably doesn’t match with the report timing – it may need to be two Presidential officers working together to complete the information.
   3. Rhode Island Monthly Debrief – Maggie.
      1. Snapshot of URI sponsored RI Monthly article shared via email
      2. RI Monthly August edition with pharmacist highlight is available. Thanks to all who provided input. It was designed to educate and highlight the roles pharmacists serve in the care of our community. Dr. Kerry LaPlante and Sara Gallo were instrumental in compiling the information.
   4. Showcase Planning Update – Amy.
      1. Showcase Planning Committee is meeting biweekly
      2. Call for presentation submissions going out within the next week
      3. Will need Bryan support for RPD showcase communication
      4. Working on ASHP speaker
      5. Ray reached out to Dr. Flores (Dana Farber lung oncologist) for potential keynote (DEI, vision for pharmacy)
      6. URI event location is confirmed for Saturday the 4th
         1. Still working on catering
      7. Catherine is working on sponsor opportunities – 3 confirmed to date
         1. Making payments on the RISHP website, Nelson can confirm
         2. Board member discussion regarding industry sponsorship in light of disclosed conflict of interest of board members
            1. Ray and Conor to provide Catherine their organization points of contact, and then recuse themselves from the process
   5. Fellow of RISHP Policy Next Steps – Ray.
      1. Ray and Nelson to connect on getting this uploaded to the rishp.org website
      2. Bryan to include in the Business presentation at Showcase
   6. Speaker Shekarchi Scramble Debrief – Ray.
      1. Invited to continue to bump elbows with our RI legislators
      2. RISHP and RIPA had two tee signs!
      3. Ray and Chris team finished 2 under par, about 10 strokes from the win
   7. Tech Check Tech Proposal Update – Conor.
      1. Spreadsheet shared with a current landscape of TCT legislation/regulation across the United States
      2. Initial language approved by RISHP board was short and sweet, however met some resistance from the board of pharmacy
      3. Language further developed to include
         1. Definitions of institutional practice
         2. Technology
         3. No controlled substances
      4. Conor will share draft language with RISHP Board following the call
   8. RISHP ASHP Sign On Opportunities – Bryan.
      1. 340B Program
         1. A group of Senators has requested input on the 340B program, particularly regarding contract pharmacy arrangements and program integrity measures.
         2. ASHP has prepared a response to the RFI reiterating the importance of the program to patients and communities and outlining the need to rein in manufacturer attempts to unilaterally impose new conditions on covered entities, including restrictions on contract pharmacies and attempts to force adoption of manufacturer created claims platforms. The draft letter is attached and can be accessed in the survey link below.
      2. Limitations on pharmacist incident to billing
         1. ASHP is seeking co-signers on a letter urging Congress to adopt legislation to remove limitations on reimbursement for clinical pharmacist services provided incident to a physician.
         2. Longstanding Medicare policy allows physicians and other enrolled Medicare providers to seek reimbursement for “incident to” patient care services provided by a pharmacist practicing under physician supervision. However, current Medicare policy restricts pharmacist incident to billing to the lowest level of reimbursement, corresponding with a patient encounter of less than 10 minutes. This restriction applies regardless of the duration and complexity of services provided.
         3. Limitations on pharmacist incident to billing are a major barrier to fully integrating clinical pharmacist services into team-based care models and a major source of lost revenue due to uncompensated care. To address this issue, ASHP is urging Congress to pass legislation requiring Medicare to reimburse for pharmacist incident to services at levels corresponding with the true complexity of services rendered.
4. New Business
   1. RISHP External Financial Audit – Ross
      1. Accountant got back to us last week with the audit findings
      2. 28 expenses that are missing documentation
      3. Results are sent back to Drew (previous treasurer) for reconciliation
      4. Accountant providing our checkbook back, so reimbursement checks (ie. ASHP RDC travel) can be cut shortly
   2. RI Annual Report – Ross
      1. Due within the next 5 days, Ross will submit their address
   3. RIPF Golf Outing Sponsor – Bryan
      1. <https://www.ripharmacists.org/event-5295013>
      2. Tee Sign – $150.00
         1. Promote your business or services at one of our 18 holes.
         2. Board approved
   4. Newsletter – Martha
      1. Martha sent call for newsletter content via email
         1. All Board members should respond in timely manner
      2. PTCB Announcements
5. Board Member Updates
   1. Past President – Maggie.
      1. Mews event in September for residents. I have yet to hear back from George at the Mews. If the Mew is unable to accommodate, will consider an alternate venue. More on this via email when I have an update. Save the date for the third Tuesday in September to have a social event with the residents following our BOD meeting, which is on site at URI that day.
   2. Program Development – Amy.
      1. URI/RISHP CE Contract up for renewal in December of this year
      2. Historically we have had 10 programs with URI, we asked for 15 ($5000) currently paying $3500?
         1. Amy will solicit quotes for 20 and 25
      3. CE Lunch and Learns with the Lifespan residents two scheduled in near future
      4. Shannon suggested Residency Program Design and Conduct, Amy will share more info at next meeting for a 2024 engagement
   3. IT – Nelson.
      1. Thanks for photos from pig roast
      2. Sent pictures from the Speaker Scramble
      3. Free service for posting concurrently on 3 social media platforms has expired, will move forward without
      4. Nelson will update RISHP.org contact us and footer PO Box zip code to 02940.
   4. Legislative Affairs – Conor.
      1. Setting up meeting the Julie C to discuss coming year’s legislative session in the September timeframe
   5. Membership – Chloe.
      1. No new members in June/July/August
      2. Would like to setup a membership meeting in the next month
      3. Cupcakes
         1. Chloe to present at next meeting
         2. Karen suggestion to get membership packets to organizations across the state at same time
         3. Create signage for when we deliver the cupcakes and can do the membership packets
            1. Catherine volunteer to help!
   6. Treasurer – Ross.
      1. Treasurer report sent via email
      2. Pig roast cost RISHP $2200
      3. Financials stable
   7. Technicians – Tammy.
      1. Proposal for Meet and Greet with Technicians after one of our meetings
      2. Tammy to design a meeting invitation that Lifespan, CNE, SCH can circulate to pharmacy technicians
      3. Tammy to present proposal at next board meeting
   8. Secretary – Shannon.
      1. Status update on Maggie leadership of awards and nominations committee
6. Meeting Adjourned: 6:05pm. Shannon motion. Ray second. Unanimously approved.
7. **Next meeting: Tuesday September 19th, 2023 @ 5pm at UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND, Room TBD.**