

NCPI Interim Executive Committee Meeting/Conference Call
Summary Notes
March 8, 2004, 5-6 pm

Present in person: Donna Anderson, Kathy Keller, Andrew Bertagnolli, Judy Citko, Barry Cole, Don Lyman, Rhonda Nichols, Beverly Nicholson, Paul Riches, May Sung

Via conference phone: Mary Bennett, Don Lyman, Lori Reisner, Rita Yakubik, Penney Cowan

The NCPI Interim Executive Committee meeting was merged with the trial presentation of the SB 151 professional education training. It was held at the Division Headquarters office of the American Cancer Society, California Division, with a conference phone connection for those who couldn't join in person. Paul Riches presented the SB 151 training and asked that all comments and input be sent to him

Donna called meeting to order and welcomed Penny Cowan as community representative on the IEC. Donna Anderson asked if Dr. Barry Cole would serve as Vice Chair. Barry will check with Dr. Mark Blum as to his availability before making a further commitment. .

Discussion ensued as how to inform widely about the SB 151 teleconferences that are being planned by the Professional Education Subcommittee.

- Another anesthesiologist has been identified in Steve Machris.
- Dr. Scott Fishman is interested in participating, but doesn't have time for the IEC right now.
- Beverly contacted Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) to solicit participation and will contact American Society of Pain Management Nurses (ASPMN). Rhonda is a member of the national organization and agreed to represent the organization on the IEC.
- Lori Reisner is on the board of American Pain Society
- Rita had requested that this session be audio taped, which we have done; agreed that tape only to be used internally for this group.
- Marcia Grant agreed to discuss with SCCPI about their participation in this project.
- Kathy contacted Sam Roth with CMA about participating, but has not heard back from him yet. CMA is interested in being on the forefront of this educational effort
- Paul will contact Terry Miller, Executive Director of CA Society of Health System Pharmacists.
- Donna indicated that she would like for her hospital to sponsor a training for all of the local hospital providers; her medical director is supportive. Goal is to reach out to all San Joaquin County health providers. Paul indicated that the CA Board of Pharmacy is willing to send someone to help with those trainings.
- Professional Education Subcommittee discussed putting together conference calls for the SB 151 project using "Executive Offering" format consisting of a straight presentation, and then Q&A at the end. Seeking people to start asking questions is the first step. Months of May and June are being considered to hold the teleconferences. Further discussion will be held by the Professional Education Committee to plan them.

Membership Committee – no report at this time.

Long-Term Planning – ACS sent a letter of inquiry to Lance Armstrong Foundation, and today we received confirmation that they accepted our letter and invited a full proposal that is due

March 26. Mary Bennett was instrumental in gaining LAF's support, as the inquiry process was very competitive. Thanks to Mary!

Kathy, Donna and May worked on first draft of an NCPI strategic plan earlier today. Based on the seven goals that were brainstormed, discussed and agreed upon at the November 2003 and January 2004 meetings of the IEC, strategies were proposed to meet each goal. The draft plan will be shared with IEC on our next conference call in April.

Marcia Grant shared SCCPI's strategic plan with us, which was really helpful since we want to do similar kinds of activities and collaborate wherever possible.

Regarding previous 501c3 for the NCCPI that started in 1994, Rhonda indicated that it has gone through several leadership changes. NCCPI still officially exists as a nonprofit, with Rhonda as chair, but has been out of compliance and nonfunctional. There's about \$11,000 in assets. Recently NCCPI came back into compliance, and Rhonda is working on dissolving NCCPI to help divest the \$11,000 into NCPI.

Kathy indicated that Rhonda shared with us some articles about the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, which has about \$110 million earmarked for improving nursing care within Bay Area. Robert Wood Johnson has nursing improvement as an initiative as well through Rosemary Gibson, whose personal cause is medication errors. Some other states have done projects in this area. We should be able to make a case for funding pain management.

Regarding NCPI website, May indicated that ACS can put something on the ACS website about NCPI, but cannot act as a server because the ACS website is under the authority of ACS National Home Office. A link or a description of the NCPI on the ACS homepage may be possible, but not as a part of the ACS home page. NCPI needs to get funding for design, development and maintenance of a website.

Next conference call of the NCPI - IEC is April 12, 2004, 5-6 pm.