

Medical History Society of New Jersey
Extended Executive Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 @ 7:00pm



Meeting was called to order by Dr. Robert Lahita at 7:00pm.

Attendees

Robert Lahita	Bob L
Dennis Cornfield	Dennis C
Robert Vietrogoski	Bob V
Alan Lippman	Alan L
Vincent J. Cirillo	Vin C
Nina Mansfield	Nina M
Emily Schiller	Emily S
Linda Whitfield-Spinner	Linda W-S
Sandra Moss	Sandra M
Frank Katz	Frank K
Nicole Salomone	Nicole S
Karen Reeds	Karen R

Topic	Discussion	Action items
Introductions	Nina Mansfield is the new Webmaster. She is a rising Senior at Bronx High School of Science in New York, and she hopes to major in Mathematics in college. Emily Schiller will serve as Acting Secretary. She recently completed medical school at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson and is applying to residency.	No action items
<p>May Meeting / Saffron Lecture Dr. Paul Offit (vaccines) Dr. Robert Lahita (contraception) Location TBD Wednesday, May 1, 2024 In-person meeting w/ Zoom access</p>	<p>Logistics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussed need for chairperson - Attendance goal = 50 people (pre-pandemic meetings approx. 40-50) - If mention Dr. Offit, we can expect a big crowd - Send save the date postcards in Jan - Bob V offered assistance <p>Nassau Club</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$100pp last year - They're open to hosting, this year we may want to set date and price now - Hotel rooms upstairs, can book one for speaker <p>Mac Mahon Student Center (Saint Peter's University)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ultramodern, beautiful view of Hudson River in Jersey City - Centrally located, easier location for New Yorker colleagues <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Paul Offit, The Cutter Incident: America's Worst Biological Disaster and its Ironic Legacy - Dr. Robert Lahita, Presidential address on the history of contraception - Dr. Richard Marfuggi added to program, subject of Mary Seacole (a "rival" of Florence Nightingale) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nominate Chairperson - Contact Mike N - Before confirming location, check w/ Offit - In Jan, send save the date postcards - Bob V to f/u venue costs - Check if Nassau Club can accommodate speaker overnight - Dr. Bob L will investigate possibility

	<p>Advertisement/Attendees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brochures may be helpful to advertise <p>Contacts to help distribute:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heberden Society, Cornell Hist of Med - Nicole Milano (Head of the Medical Center Archives at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medicine) - Publicize on Podcast: "This Week in Virology" → KR knows host Vincent Racaniello at Columbia, Dr. Offit is often on podcast - New York Academy of Medicine - Local polio survivors group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make brochures/posters & distribute widely - Dr. Bob L may be able to postmark cards to all members
Officer Elections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ad-hoc nominating committee is to be formed for various offices - Elections in March to early April - Can conduct vote through Wild Apricot - Announce outcome at May 1st meeting - Confirmed: Dr. Cornfield – President, Nina Mansfield –Webmaster, Emily S – Acting Secretary - Need: Vice President, possibly Treasurer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Call for nominating committee candidates in newsletter
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Steven Peitzman teaches Med Hist course at Drexel, may be contact to reach students 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emily S will try to recruit new members via email - Dr. Peitzmann to be contacted

<p>Increase Social Media Presence</p>	<p>Revive online presence: X, Threads, Facebook, Twitter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will focus on Facebook for events and Instagram (can link to Threads) - Announce meetings on socials 	<p>- Nina M/Nicole S to coordinate social media activities</p>				
<p>Expenses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Last year paid \$1,188 for Wild Apricot - Wild Apricot raising rate by more than \$300 to \$1,512. Due September 9th. - 42 active members includes life members who don't pay yearly dues - This year's revenue = \$0 - Annual budget is paying for Wild Apricot - 350 contacts, 55 members - Approx 1 in 6 people who get emails are actually members - Wild Apricot dashboard <div data-bbox="464 792 1654 1084" style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 10px;"> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%; vertical-align: top; padding: 5px;"> <p>Your account</p> <p>Community 110 (phase out April 1, 2023), \$1,188.00 / year</p> <p>Your next renewal payment on Saturday, September 09, 2023 will be \$1,512</p> <p>See details</p> <p>View invoice</p> </td> <td style="width: 25%; vertical-align: top; padding: 5px;"> <p>Your website</p> <p>www.mhsnj.org</p> <p>Change address</p> </td> <td style="width: 25%; vertical-align: top; padding: 5px;"> <p>Active members</p> <p style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold;">42</p> </td> <td style="width: 25%; vertical-align: top; padding: 5px;"> <p>This month's revenue</p> <p style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold;">\$0.00</p> </td> </tr> </table> </div>	<p>Your account</p> <p>Community 110 (phase out April 1, 2023), \$1,188.00 / year</p> <p>Your next renewal payment on Saturday, September 09, 2023 will be \$1,512</p> <p>See details</p> <p>View invoice</p>	<p>Your website</p> <p>www.mhsnj.org</p> <p>Change address</p>	<p>Active members</p> <p style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold;">42</p>	<p>This month's revenue</p> <p style="font-size: 24px; font-weight: bold;">\$0.00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bob V give email list to Bob L & Emily - LWS suggests Executive committee/President writes personal notes to get email subscribers to officially join
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<p>Meeting Minutes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exec meeting minutes can be sent to all Society members and posted on website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emily will distribute minutes following approval by executive committee 				

For edits or suggestions regarding meeting minutes, please email Acting Secretary Emily Schiller at ers119@rwjms.rutgers.edu