

MAAAP (Minnesota Association African American Physician)
Minutes for 2/9/19

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Charles Crutchfield, III and the agenda was outlined as noted.

Attendance: Doctors: Charles Crutchfield III, Alyse Hamilton, Dave Hamlar, Dione Hart, Mark Holder, Natasha Lee, Andrew kiragu, and Sean Ennevor. Community member: Mamie Singleton.

Dr. Dionne Hart gave an update about the recent event sponsored by the Zumbro Valley Medical Society (ZVMS) that hosted Dr. Patrice Harris, the first African American president elect of the AMA, visit to Minnesota in January. A table was sponsored by the MAAAP for the dinner on January 28, 2019 in Rochester, MN. Please see highlights on the website or contact Dr. Hart.

Old Business:

- 1. Financials:** The balance is unchanged since our last meeting at \$21,100.
- 2. NMA Status:** We have been approved to have 2 branches. The Rochester branch is currently active. The Twin Cities branch only has 2 paid members. We are not recognized as active until we get a total of 7 members to pay the national dues. Dues are \$445.00 with a \$50 discount if renewed by 2/18/19. Dues for medical students is \$20/year and \$40 for residents and fellows. The following questions entertained were whether the number 7 is the total for both branches or 7 for each branch and whether a community member can be a member of the NMA. The answers will be addressed at the next meeting.
- 3. Making a Difference Campaign:** This campaign is sponsored by grants from the MAAAP and Crutchfield Dermatology Health. Health care articles written for the Spokesman-Recorder newspaper by physicians from our group in the past will be displayed in various businesses such as hair salons and barber shops. Ten racks have been purchased at \$85/rack and three have been installed so far. The cost for the total installation is \$125. If you are interested in submitting an article, please submit your articles to Dr. Crutchfield. Articles should be 500-700 words.
- 4. SNMA:** Dr. Hart is the liaison for the Rochester Mayo branch. She reported that there are two Minnesota chapters, the Rochester Mayo Medical students and the University of MN chapter. The MAAAP will support the SNMA and encourage their membership in our group. Dr. Hamlar is our liaison for the University of MN Twin Cities branch and work closely with Mary Tate of the University.
- 5. Scholarships:** Dr. Hamlar is a member of the committee and volunteers added to the committee included: Doctors Sean Ennevor, Andrew Kiragu, Alyse Hamilton, and community member, Mamie Singleton.
- 6. Historian Report:** Dr. Charles Crutchfield, Sr. completed his interview and his narrative is ready for review. It will be available on the website. Please look at it for any corrections or if additional information is available.
- 7. Minnesota Website Directory Bios and photos:** Dr. Crutchfield, III encouraged all those who have not submitted their bios for the new website: MAAAP.org: (Minnesota Association African American Physician) to do so as soon as possible.
- 8. Minnesota Black Community Project:** The Scott Project is a book about the history of African American Minnesotans. There is a delay in the project.

- 9. U of MN Medical School Admissions Committee:** Dr's. Dave Hamlar, Andrew Kiragu, and Nate Chomilo are members. Dr. Mark Holder volunteered for the committee. If interested in being on this committee, contact Dr. Hamlar for additional information.
- 10. Minnesota Board of Medical Practice:** We received a letter of appreciation from Governor Walls for our letter of endorsement for his governor candidacy. This allows us input on possibly getting a member of our group on the medical board.
- 11. Meeting Schedule:** We will meet monthly. The next meeting will be next month and further information will be sent by Dr. Crutchfield, III.
- 12. Point of Contact:** Kelly McGuire can be reached at 651-209-3628

New Business:

- 1.** Dr. Kiragu asked the question of what we can do as an organization to let the community know how to contact us in response to news information. The members at the meeting suggested we have a community information committee. Dr. Crutchfield will be the point person. Dr's. Kiragu and Hart volunteered and Mamie Singleton.

There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

Respectively submitted by:

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