



Health Services Officer Category
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Medical Laboratory Scientist Professional Advisory Group - MLSPAG

June 11, 2015

Time: 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM EST

Teleconference call number: 1-866-882-1054 Passcode: 2066464

MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS					
Attendance	Rank	Last Name	First Name	OPDIV	Voting Member
X	CDR	Galloway	Renee	CDC	Chair
EXCUSED	CDR	Bashay	Richard	FDA	Chair-Elect
X	LCDR	Sampson	Docia	IHS	Secretary
X	LCDR	Morris	Julie	CDC	Yes
X	LCDR	Germain	June	FDA	Yes
Absent	LT	Tate	Jennifer	IHS	Yes
X	CDR	Nichols	Cara	IHS	Yes
X	CDR	Darrah	Clyde	IHS	Yes
Absent	LCDR	Ertel	Donald	FDA	Yes
EXCUSED	LCDR	Flores	Lisa	BOP	Yes
X	CDR	King	Debra	NIH	Yes
X	CDR	Nemeth	Dana	IHS	Yes
X	LCDR	Oloyede	Babatunde	BOP	Yes
X	LCDR	Sampson	Docia	IHS	Yes
X	LCDR	Tirado	Vladimir	BOP	Yes
X	CDR	Tool	Will	IHS	Yes
X	CAPT	Woodlief	Gina	BOP	Yes
X	LT	Young	David	USCG	Yes
X	CDR	Alspach	Todd		NO
x	LCDR	Pearson	Summer		NO
X	CDR	Bledsoe	Toni		NO
X	LCDR	Khan	Shah		NO
X	LCDR	Boison	Charles		NO
X	LTJG	Chavez	Helen		NO
X	LCDR	Ogonowski	Pamela		NO
X	LCDR	Smith	Renee		NO
X	LCDR	Lugo	Alfred		NO
X	CDR	Goodwin	Robin		NO
X	LCDR	Redman	Katrina		NO



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- I. Call to Order : Chair, CDR Renee Galloway
- II. Roll Call: Secretary, LCDR Docia Sampson
- III. Introduction: Chair, CDR Renee Galloway
 1. **Welcome**
 2. **Approval of Minutes**
 3. **COA-**
 4. **LCDR John Welch tribute**-*member of MLSPAG, Awards subcommittee. All around great guy, he was a very special person and a friend to all. Remembrance presented by CDR Donna Brown.*
- IV. Subcommittee Reports:
 - A) Membership: Chair: CDR Renee Galloway; Co-Chair: LT David Young; Members: CAPT Gina Woodlief, CDR Chauha Pham, CAPT Jane Preston, LCDR Docia Sampson
- No updates
 - B) Awards Chair:LT Emmanuel Ndgenga; Co-Chair: LCDR Katrina Redman; Members:, CDR Donna Brown, CDR Debra King, CAPT Gina Woodlief; LT Thomas Maruna
- No updates
 - C) Recruitment/Retention : Chair:LCDR June Germain; Co-Chair: LCDR Docia Sampson; Members: LCDR Mary Sheets, LCDR Jon Antoniou, LCDR Richard Bashay , LT Diyo Rai, LCDR Julie Morris, CDR Cindy Flacks.
-No updates
 - D) Professional Development Chair LCDR Renae Hill; Co-Chair LCDR Donald Ertel; Members: CDR Dana Nemeth, LT Ashley Frost, LCDR Summer Pearson, LCDR Babatunde Oloyede, LCDR Jason Truax, CDR Al Peyketewa and CDR Daniel Cajigas, LT Thomas Maruna.
- Finalized survey monkey, goal is to identify areas that officers want help with and which will be what the committee will focus on next year
 - E) Policy/Legislation: Chair: LCDR Shah Khan; Co-Chair: LCDR Andrea Peay; Members: LCDR Vladimir Tirado, LCDR Luis Ramos-Ortiz, LCDR Renee Smith, LCDR Richard Bashay, LT Emmanuel Ndgenga.
-LCDR Khan- thanks to all who helped with lab week games, congratulations to Cara Nichols for winning!!
-Focus to continue on discussing goals for the year and whether or not to continue the lab week games for next year.
 - F) By-Laws: Chair: LCDR Vladimir Tirado; Members: CDR William Tool, LCDR Sabrina Ivory, LCDR Lisa Flores, LCDR Fabian Chaparro, LT Fahad Alsayyid, LT Jennifer Tate.



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-Last meeting it was discussed adding to Bylaws the addition of senior level awards? Or having an award without stipulating Junior or Senior?

G) Communications: Chair: Lisa Flores, Co-Chair: Jeri Coats: Members: CDR Todd Alspach, CDR Toni Bledsoe, CDR Nathan Town, CDR Cara Nichols.

-No updates

V. Treasury Report- *No updates*

VI. Old/New Business

VII. Open Floor-

-Deployments? Any upcoming deployments? Any updates?Liberia?

-last update was that they were requesting MLS officers to set up a lab in Liberia, 1st group to leave 6-11-15, supposedly having 3 groups.

-Questions were brought up as to what should an officer be focusing on when they are on deployments?

1. Cara Nichols-Know how to draw blood!!Be familiar with Point of Care testing, make sure to do modules online.

2. June Germain- Each deployment is different, hard to know what to expect. You could be drawing blood or doing blood pressures, whatever is needed.

VIII. Action Items

IX. Adjournment

Next General Meeting: August 13th