



Rhode Island  
Podiatric Medical Association

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**Minutes of the Rhode Island Podiatric Medical Association**

Date: March 16th, 2016

**Sponsor:** Smith & Nephew: OASIS

**Lecture Topic:** OASIS Matrix: An Advanced Wound Management Device for Challenging Wounds

**Speaker:** Michael A Troiano, DPM - Penn Presbyterian Medical Center & Temple University Hospital.

**I. Minutes of February 17th, 2016 meeting:** accepted. **Dr Appleton**

**II. Special Presentation by Darlene morris of the Rhode Island Quality Institute on the future of solo and group practice in RI:** "Practice Transformation Networks" - Darlene M Morris, MBA, CIPP Director, Regional Extension Center; Rhode Island Quality Institute.

A. Discussion of services; 3 main services.

B. Packets were sent out, please contact for information on packets.

**III. Bills and Communications: Dr Cavicchio**

A. Thank you from Rhode Island Medical Society Foundation for the donation we made to the "Physicians Health Committee".

B. CME presentation sponsored by the RIMS: Saturday, April 20th, 2016.

C. Registry Reporting: The APMA has maintained their members ability to register with a specialty registry in order to meet the Meaningful Use Public Health measure requirements beyond the 2/29/16 deadline for the 2016 reporting period.

1. Meaningful use you should be involved with registry reporting; deadline has passed.

2. APMA talked to CMS and extended deadline

3. Link was published last meeting: <http://www.specialtyregistry.com/secure/index.aspx>

4. Medical Records, make sure staff does not violate HIPPA

5. Workers Compensation/Medical Advisory Board is looking for more doctors to do impartial medical exams.

**IV. Treasurers Report: Dr Clyde Fish**

A. Health program gave \$1000, Medical Society management fee \$750, Dr Cavicchio \$1000, Verizon \$41.50, Executive Director fee \$99, Accountant for taxes \$950, received a check from Region 1 \$432.67.

**V. Nominating Committee: Dr Ruggiero**

A. President: Dr VanDine, VP: Dr Mallette, 2nd VP: Dr Michael Reuter, Treasurer: Dr Fish, Secretary: Dr Roda, APMA Delegate: Dr Cornell, Seminar Committee Chairman: Dr Simoes

B. Board of Directors: Dr's LePoer, Appleton, Dehaven, Domenico, Ciano, Meehan, Pappas, Doobay.

**VI. APMA Delegate & PAC Report: Dr Cornell (HOD meeting March 18-21st)**

A. Dr Reuter and Dr Cornell attending meeting.

B. Donate! List of donators discussed.

**VII. Executive Director Report: Dr Cavicchio**

A. Agenda for the ASPE meeting March 18th. Speaker is Dr Dan Davis from Connecticut.

**VIII. Unfinished Business:**



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- A. Seminar: deadline to register is March 17th.
- B. Practice Act/Regulation changes

**IX. New Business:**

- A. United will start requesting prior authorizations for bunions and hammertoes starting April 1st.  
Will contact when we have more information.
- B. Congratulations to Dr Doobay and Dr Mallette on publishing an article in JAPMA, Jan/Feb 2016  
Vol 106 Number 1 "ESFA" of the heel.

*Meeting adjourned; next meeting April 20th.  
Submitted by: James Appleton, DPM*