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Minutes of the General Membership Meeting January 12, 2015 - 7 Grill Restaurant, Pittsfield, MA

Chair's Report: Dr. Lisa Gamache

Dr. Lisa Gamache welcomed everyone to tonight's' meeting.

MDS Trustee's Report: Dr. Jay Wise

Dr. Casey Jones was recognized by Dr. Jay Wise as this years' recipient of the MDS Award of Best Ten New Dentists (i.e. Ten Under 10).

In an effort to highlight the changing demographics and the impact that new dentists are having on practice settings, the MDS New Dentist Committee created the Ten Under 10 award program. To qualify for the honor, dentists must have graduated from dental school in the past 10 years and have made a significant contribution to the profession, their community, and/or organized dentistry. Profiles of the selected dentists will appear in the Spring Journal of the Massachusetts Dental Society.

Dr. Rachaele Carver received this award in 2014.

Treasurer's Report: Dr. Thomas Sakshaug

Current Balances as of 1/12/15:

Checking: \$ 1,603.28

Money Market: \$ 9,635.90 0.06% APY

Available for use: \$11,239.18

CD 30 Month \$ 8,071.07 0.60% APY, matures 1-10-16

CD 36 month \$ 8,094.86 0.80% APY, matures 7-10-16 CD 36 Month \$17,063.57 0.80% APY, matures 7-14-17 CD 48 Month \$12,056.05 1.00% APY, matures 7-14-18

Total CDs: \$45,285.55

Total funds: \$56,524.73

The Fall 2014 All-Day Meeting was cancelled. I have refunded the vendor fees and the tuition checks have been destroyed. No bill has been received from The Williams Inn. There have been expenses for printing and mailing totaling \$1196.15.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE: The BDDS is beginning to get hurt financially at certain restaurants due to dentists' failure to RSVP or to show up. If you plan to come, please inform the person running the dinner. If you do so, please come to the meeting! We sometimes must pay based on RSVPs. Please plan ahead and stick to your plan.

Committee Chair's Report:

Dr. Louis Yarmosky made a motion to investigate the cost associated with purchasing a new projector for BDDS. The motion was seconded with the intention that the associated costs of this purchase be presented at a future meeting.

Items from the Floor:

Dr. Josh Kleederman introduced Dr. Jenny Citrin to BDDS. Dr Citrin is interested in associating in the Berkshires after completing her GPR Residency in Burlington, Vermont. Dr. Citrin obtained her DMD from Tufts University. Dr. Citrin can be reached at (813) 997-9973 or jennymaah@gmail.com.

Dr. Paul Gamache stated that Applications for the Allied Dental Health Education Stipend are due in his office on January 31, 2015. This is an award to current students of Dental Hygiene, Dental Assisting or Dental Lab Technicians. The applicant must also be a resident of Berkshire County. Applications can be found at www.berkshiredental.org under the CE tab or by calling (413) 442-8664.

Dental Continuing Education Meeting:

Dr. Louis Yarmosky hosted tonight's meeting. Drs. Louis and Steve Yarmosky gave a talk on Cancer Detection Utilizing Saliva.

Next General Membership Meeting:

Dr. Louis Yarmosky will host our next Monday Night Meeting on February 9, 2015. Lonney Jarrett will speak on Chinese Eastern Medicine.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting submitted by District Secretary – Dr. Paul Gamache <u>www.berkshiredistrict.org</u>, Members Only tab, username=BDDS, password=Gamache