



HAWAII PSYCHIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Monthly Membership Meeting
January 12, 2012

Mission: Helping Hawaii's Psychiatrists Provide the Highest Quality Care

Location: Homes of Dr. Akaka on Oahu, and Dr. Sakuda on Maui.

Attendees on Oahu: Jeffrey Akaka, MD (Chair), Steve Kemble, MD, Lori Murayama-Sung (via cell phone)

Attendees on Maui, via conference call: Amber Rohner-Sakuda (via cell phone)

Call to order: 6:45pm

Minutes of previous meeting: Approved as amended.

Membership Report: Deferred.

In Memoriam: We note with sadness the passing of Valerie Brandon, MD, a long time member of our psychiatric community. We send our condolences to Dr. Mee Lee and to everyone whose life she touched.

President's Report: Holiday Greeting Cards were sent to all members and friends for whom we had snail mail addresses, and so far the responses have been positive. Our CALF grant was approved and has been received by our office.

Treasurer's Report (Dr. Sakuda): Current Balance is 8272.60 as of December 31, 2011. Out lobbyist has been fully paid for the work done last year.

Ethics Report: (Dr. Prier): No report.

Legislative Report : Legislature opens January 18, 2012. Bills from last year remain in play.

Communication Report: Deferred.

Reimbursement committee (Dr. Doug Smith): report pending.

New Business:

APA Elections: Please VOTE to choose your national officers and Board of Trustee Members. Pay particular attention to the election of your Area 7 trustee, for which Dr. Jeffrey Akaka of Hawaii and Dr. Annette Matthews of Oregon are candidates. It's easy- just go to www.psych.org for your ballot, and to learn more about the candidates, and vote.

APA National Advocacy Conference in Washington DC. Dr. Akaka was invited by APA to represent Hawaii. HPMAs coverage of the \$250 registration fee was approved. Dr. Akaka will be meeting with the Hawaii Congressional Delegation there to let them know our concerns about legislation that affect us and our patients.

The 2012 Waipahu Aloha Club Benefit Golf Challenge will be held on Thursday, May 31, 2012, at the Hawaii Prince Golf Club, to benefit the Waipahu Aloha Club, a 501c3 nonprofit organization that supports the mission and vision of the Waipahu Aloha Clubhouse, whose members are in recovery from severe psychiatric illness and who seek to become productive citizens in the community. Last years benefit, which also benefitted the American Psychiatric Foundation as it was held during the APA Annual Meeting here in May, was an outstanding event. Contact Kim Golis, Director at kimgolis@hawaii.rr.com or at 675-0093 for more details on signing up your team!

Next meeting: February 9, 2012

Oahu: Home of Jeffrey Akaka, MD Maui: Home of Amber Rohner Sakuda, MD 6:00pm Welcome Reception, Meet and Greet (Bring a beverage to share). 6:30pm-7:00pm Business meeting.

We welcome any member who would like to call or Skype in from their home, Dr. Kemble has a cell phone which can conference up to 10 calls, so feel free to join in from your home.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Akaka, MD (Scribe for this meeting) President, HPMAs