

PSSNY New Practitioner Network  
PSSNY Annual Convention  
Fort William Henry, Lake George, NY  
Saturday, June 24, 2006

*In Attendance:* Melissa Howe, Andrea Puglisi, Shannon Rivers, Eileen Slichko, Ellen Williams

1. Call to order *8:10am*
2. Approval of minutes from January meeting *Approved unanimously*
3. Old Business
  - a. Review of Purpose and Structure *Went over at the SPSSNY meeting the previous day*
4. New Business
  - a. Report on activities for the past year
    - i. January: Board Review/ APhA Smooth Transitions/ Keeping up, Minding the Gap/Rookies Guide to convention
    - ii. SPSSNY Tour de New York with University of Buffalo and Albany College of Pharmacy
    - iii. Monthly meetings to discuss annual convention
  - b. Election of officers
    - i. Co-Chair – 2 year commitment *Andrea volunteered*
    - ii. Secretary – 1 year commitment *Ellen volunteered*
    - iii. Communications officer – *Melissa volunteered to work with Eileen*
    - iv. Convention Committee liaison (appointed by President) *Ellen volunteered*
    - v. All positions approved unanimously
  - c. Appointments to PSSNY committees (suggestions to President)
    - i. Membership – *Andrea*
    - ii. Resolutions – *Melissa*
    - iii. Legislative – *Shannon*
    - iv. Medicaid/3<sup>rd</sup> Party – *Eileen*
    - v. Sundowning – *Eileen*
  - d. Call for volunteers to serve on local affiliate boards
    - i. Melissa to get in contact with the Mohawk Valley affiliate
  - e. VP of Membership and PR – Katie O'Malley
    - i. New grad gathering – to re-explain and promote New Practitioners and PSSNY working through the local affiliates
    - ii. White coat ceremonies – Katie to attend them
    - iii. Graduation Packets – working to get them out to every college next year
    - iv. Katie making ties at all the colleges of pharmacy
  - f. Comments on this year's convention programming
    - i. Events well coordinated
    - ii. Keep the NP/Student gatherings (ice cream social with addition of trivia game/etc)

- iii. Sell raffle tickets each night at dinner
  - g. Mid-winter convention programming ideas
    - i. Board review for students – possible extension to 4 hours, alter name Part 3 board review and NAPLEX calculations, keep explanations of boards/exams
    - ii. Possible round table on careers with PSSNY members – Katie’s Idea
    - iii. List below of previous ideas:
      - 1. Professional development
      - 2. Pharmacy organizations (benefits, differences, which to join?)
      - 3. Time management
      - 4. Becoming certified – RPh specialties, certificates, etc
        - a. Possibly bring Aimee back to do this CE again
      - 5. Professionalism and leadership
      - 6. Managing staff and staff relations
      - 7. Dining out and etiquette
      - 8. Present less common sides of pharmacy and interesting ways to practice
      - 9. Media training 101 (not the PSSNY program, but basics and who to refer to)
      - 10. How to set up and run programs in your pharmacy (brown bag, BP screening, Diabetes screening, Osteoporosis screening, etc)
        - a. Possible program for next June
    - iv. Possibly start a Friday night cocktail
  - h. Other New Business
    - i. Possibly starting NPN website on GeoCities with link to/from PSSNY website
      - 1. contain discussion boards
      - 2. Eileen to work out logistics with Chris
    - ii. Possibly sponsoring a night with the residents and fellows to get them active with the group
    - iii. Starting a student program on residencies and fellowships
      - 1. Partnering with other organizations
      - 2. Ask Katie to work out the logistics with the schools
    - iv. Eileen to be writing a journal article for every edition of the PSSNY publication
      - 1. will be random articles not just updates on what the NPN is doing
      - 2. Possible Ideas
        - a. Information to stay up to date
        - b. Rich/Ron to summarize the financial planning
        - c. Residency information
        - d. 1 page on a new drug or a clinical topic

- i. Put on a template so that any new practitioner could write the article and send to Eileen

5. Adjournment *9:40am*

- a. Next meeting to be scheduled by email