

# *ASCP Connecticut Chapter Board of Directors Meeting Minutes*

## *First & Last Tavern, Middletown, CT 1-8-07*

MEMBER NAME & TITLE	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sean Jeffery, President / Education Chair	X		X									
John Cannarella, President-Elect	X	X	X									
Sandy Wojciechowski, Immed. Past President	X	X										
Michel Fortin, Past President, Secretary / Treasurer	X	X	X									
Paul Belcher, Board 2006 / PAC Committee	X	X	X									
Kathy White, Board 2006 / Senior Symposium	X	X	X									
Mark Wrabel, Board 2005 / Programs Chair	X		X									
Amy Huie-Li, Board 2005 / Communic Co-Chair	X		X									
Kevin Chamberlin, Board2004 / Communic.Comm	X	X	X									
Anna Egle, Board 2004 / Communic. Co-Chair			X									
Larry Sobel, President Emeritus / Legislative Chair	X	X	X									
Jim Conklin, Past-President / PAC Chair		X										
Gene Memoli, Past President / Chair Senior Symp. Legislative Committee	X	X	X									
David Cooper, Past President / Sales Senior Symp	X	X	X									
Dennis Chapron, Senior Symposium Committee	X	X	X									
Brian Pelletier, Communication Committee	X	X	X									
Jack Ziskin, Past President / Membership Chair Legislative Committee												

Sponsorship: Kathy Gradski & Jan Robinson and Merck.

Guests: Kim Gilligan, CTASCP Student Chapter President, Mark Brennan & Kevin Hill from LPB&S, Cindy Kim, Ken Powell, John Gadea, Luanne Cambino, Kerry Hart, Andrea Siliberto

### REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the 12-4-06 meeting. Approved unanimously.

### LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

M. Brennan from Levin, Powers, Brennan & Shea (LPB&S) discussed issues including: 1) The AMP formula is on hold until 7-1-07 and our Legislative Committee plans to meet with DSS soon. 2) New legislation requiring automated dispensing systems in LTCF's will be coming out soon and we will work to get mandatory pharmacy ownership of the machines removed from the bill. 3) Mike Starkowski is working to reduce Medicare-D refusals (which must then be covered by Medicaid) by having RPh's & pharmacy technicians counter-detail MD's to use Med-D formulary covered items from the PDP or change PDP's to avoid non-covered items being billed to the state. L. Sobel discussed the federal government's bill which would allow the feds to negotiate RX pricing with the pharmaceutical manufacturers. J. Gadea discussed state oversight of prescribing in LTCF's and cases that have been presented to DPH & DCP. He also discussed automated dispensing systems in LTC pharmacies.

### EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE - Senior Symposium 2007(SS07)

Website: [www.seniorsymposium.com](http://www.seniorsymposium.com). Scheduled for April 26 & 27, 2007. G. Memoli stated the save-the-date cards had been mailed out. On the afternoon of 4-26 there will be an ASCP member only program (both CT ASCP & MASCP invited) on the SOM revisions & Med-D. Any further ideas should be forwarded to S. Jeffery or K. Chamberlin. Thursday evening is an opening dinner program where we are partnering with CGS, CT AMDA, APRN groups, RPH's and students. Program is run by F. Cirillo and sponsored by Forest Pharmaceuticals followed by a vendor desert reception. Friday morning is breakfast with expanded exhibits. D. Cooper passed out vendor applications and asked all members for recruitment help. Forward applications to him or to CTASCP.ORG or seniorsymposium.com. He reported that SS06 was successful and all checks have been received and all bills have been paid which still left a profit.

### NEWS FROM UCONN

D. Chapron reported that the White Coat Ceremony will be held on 1-16-07 from 2pm – 5pm. The CPLG legislator's educational program is scheduled for Friday, January 12, 2007 at 8am in the Capitol Building in Hartford. All pharmacists interesting in participating are invited.

### STUDENT CHAPTER

K. Gilligan needs RPH volunteers to allow P1 – P3 to shadow them for an afternoon. She also needs a speaker to educate the students about consulting pharmacy. Please contact Kim by emailing to [kim.gilligan@uconn.edu](mailto:kim.gilligan@uconn.edu)

### GENERAL DISCUSSION

M. Wrabel urged members to be sure that their companies are charging for SOM required Interim Medication Regimen Reviews and to not give the service away as has been done in the past with things such as med carts or below cost medical records, etc.

**SPONSOR RECOGNITION**

Kathy Gradski and Merck were thanked by the BOD for their sponsorship of this meeting and for providing the educational portion of the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

**Next Meeting: February 5, 2007 at 5:30pm at the First & Last Tavern, Middletown, CT**

Respectfully submitted,  
Michel Fortin, Secretary/Treasurer