

# *ASCP Connecticut Chapter Board of Directors Meeting Minutes*

## *Ruth's Chris Steak House, Newington, CT 4-7-08*

MEMBER NAME & TITLE	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
John Cannarella, President	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Gene Memoli, President-Elect/Chair Senior Symp. Legislative Committee	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Sean Jeffery, Immed. Past-President / Educ Chair	X		X	X	X	X						
Michel Fortin, Secretary / Treasurer	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Kevin Chamberlin, Board2007 / Communic.Comm	X		X	X	X	X						
Brian Pelletier, Board2007/Communic. Committee	X		X	X	X	X						
Paul Belcher, Board 2006 / PAC Committee	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Kathy White, Board 2006 / Senior Symposium	X	X	X	X	X							
Mark Wrabel, Board 2005 / Programs Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Amy Huie-Li, Board 2005 / Communic Co-Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Anna Egle, Communic. Co-Chair		X			X							
Larry Sobel, President Emeritus / Legislative Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Jim Conklin, Past-President / PAC Chair					X							
David Cooper, Past President / Sales Senior Symp				X	X							
Dennis Chapron, Senior Symposium Committee	X	X	X			X						
Sandy Wojciechowski, Past President		X	X		X							
Cindy Kim / Membership Chair			X	X	X							

Sponsorship: Jonathan Fairchild, Eisai Inc.  
 Guests: Kevin Hill, LPB&S, Renee LaRouche, President Student Chapter, Kim Gilligan, Past-President Student Chapter, Mike Gemma, Janessa Nason, Anthony Faustini

### REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the 3-3-08 meeting. Approved unanimously.

### LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

K. Hill discussed the drug destruction bill which was defeated in the Environment Committee. He expects administrative recommendations to be filed later this year by DCP & DEP. The epilepsy bill should include an amendment exempting LTC pharmacies. G. Memoli and M. Wrabel suggested the BOD reach out to CPA's President and President-Elect and to J. Kiszkiel to invite them to our June or August meeting because they have yet to show any interest in working together on a mutually agreed upon bill proposal. S. Jeffery discussed the lack of response from pharmacy or the LTC industry regarding recent publication of articles about overuse of antipsychotics in LTCF's. ASCP is considering responding to the article. L. Sobel discussed the up to 20% budget cuts in Medicaid and Medicare. Rehab coverage would be removed from LTC under the proposed budget. J. Cannarella reviewed S2708 and mentioned that Senator Dodd is the contact person for CT.

### EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE - Senior Symposium 2008(SS08) April 24 & 25th

Website: [www.seniorsymposium.com](http://www.seniorsymposium.com). G. Memoli thanked A. Huie-Li and Ramone from Solomon & Assoc. for sending out blast email invitations. Exhibitor numbers are equal to 2007 but revenue is down by about 30% due to most electing the lower exhibit fee level. Attendance numbers are down by about 200 when compared to last year. Ramone expects 500 – 600 to attend which is down from 900 last year. Competition from NY & Massachusetts' programs may be hurting our attendance this year. Planning for SS09 will include avoiding holding it during a holiday. All 300 rooms in the room block have been sold. Kosher meals will be blessed by a Rabbi who will be in attendance. Next year's symposium will include educational programs from ConnDONA and CANPHA/CHCA. K. Chamberlin stated all CE statements will be electronic per the UConn CE contract.

### GENERAL DISCUSSION

M. Wrabel requested donations be made to ASCP's Center for Healthy Aging Foundation. G. Memoli made a motion that the chapter opens a small expense checking account for Senior Symposium expenses to improve timeliness. Further investigation is required due to ASCP's restrictions on chapter finances. Motion was tabled.

### SPONSOR RECOGNITION

Jonathan Fairchild and Eisai Inc. were thanked by the BOD for their sponsorship of this meeting and for providing the educational program.

**Next Meeting: May 5th at 5:30pm at TBA sponsored by: TBA**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Respectfully submitted, Michel G. Fortin, Secretary/Treasurer