

Florida Society of Interventional Pain Physicians
Board of Directors Meeting

7 AM, The Breakers, Palm Beach, July 16, 2006

Board Members Present

Immediate Past President
Executive Co-Chair
For Legislative Affairs

Andrea Trescot, MD
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President

Lora Brown, MD
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President Elect
Regional Director
Central Florida

Harold Cordner, MD
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Vice President/
Executive Chair for
Membership Development

Raymon Priewe, MD
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Secretary

Debra Tracy, MD
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Executive Chair
For Regional Task Force
Development

Marshall Bedder, MD
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Member at Large
Regional Director
Southwest Florida

James Worden, MD
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Board Members Absent

Executive Co-Chair
For Legislative Affairs

Rafael Miguel, MD
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Treasurer

Scott Kramarich, MD
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Member at Large
Regional Director
Northeast Florida

Rob Dehgan, MD
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Member at Large
Regional Director
North Central Florida

Chuck Grudem, MD
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The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:05 AM. FSIPP President, Andrea Trescot opened the meeting and welcomed participants. Dr. Trescot explained that due to her commitment as ASIPP President she planned to appoint Lora Brown to the position as FSIPP president. Dr Brown accepted this appointment and led the FSIPP Board Meeting with the support of the board member attendees present.

Tampa Bay Area

Nominations and Elections

Dr Brown suggested nominations and made appointments for the other positions on the board, which were approved unanimously, as follows:

President Elect Regional Director Central Florida	Harold Cordner, MD gassdoc@aol.com
Vice President/ Executive Chair for Membership Development	Raymon Priewe, MD rpriewe@aol.com
Secretary	Debra Tracy, MD tracypain@tampabay.rr.com
Treasurer	Scott Kramarich, MD kramarich@riversidespine.com
Executive Chair For Regional Task Force Development	Marshall Bedder, MD mbedder@aol.com
Executive Co-Chair For Legislative Affairs	Rafael Miguel, MD miguel@moffitt.usf.edu
Member at Large Regional Director Southwest Florida	James Worden, MD jjworden2@comcast.net
Member at Large Regional Director North Central Florida	Chuck Grudem, MD cmgmd@earthlink.net
Member at Large Regional Director Northeast Florida	Rob Dehgan, MD robdehgan@msn.com

The following were appointed as regional directors:

Regional Director
Panhandle

Frank Zondlo, MD
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Regional Director
Tampa Bay Region

Fransisco Torres, MD
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New Business

Dr .Brown explained that included in this year's agenda, will be an aggressive membership drive led by our new vice president, Raymond Priewe, MD. The success of FSIPP is dependent upon its members. Regional Directors were appointed to target key areas in our State. Marshall Bedder will lead and develop a grassroots network of regional directors.

Dr Harold Cordner accepted the president elect position and was unanimously approved.

Our newly appointed Secretary Dr. Deborah Tracy will work on our relationship with ASIPP in developing a Website and enhancing the business infrastructure of the Society. A new application form will be developed.

Questions regarding if FSIPP members should be members of ASIPP were discussed and will be considered in the future.

The above will be coordinated with efforts to improve information dissemination.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 AM

FSIPP Annual Meeting

As some of you know the Florida Society of Interventional Pain Physicians held their annual executive officers meeting on Sunday, July 16th at the Breakers in Palm Beach. The list of 2006-2007 officers is attached.

Held in conjunction with the FAPM meeting, FSIPP hosted a magnificent dinner with the support of ANS and Stryker. There were sixty attendees. The food, wine, and conversation were excellent. Thanks to the support of our sponsors, we plan to make this an annual event.

I am sorry to see Andrea Trescott, MD step down as president. She has set a very high bar for all future FSIPP officers. I know, however, that

she will continue to support our interests at a national level as ASIPP's President Elect. Not to mention we will keep her involved as FSIPP's Executive Chair for legislative Affairs, a position that she will share this year with Rafael Miguel, MD. As always, FSIPP intends to be ever present in Tallahassee to represent all of Florida's interventional pain physicians.

I am very excited to be stepping up to the plate this year as your new President. Our energetic team of officers has already established a hefty agenda for the year.

Included in this year's agenda, will be an aggressive membership drive led by our new vice president, Raymon Priewe, MD. The success of this organization is dependent upon its members!! So, if you are not currently a dues paying member, PLEASE, become one!!!! You may continue to send your dues to Scott Kramarich, MD. Thank you Scott for continuing to serve as Treasurer!

As our new secretary, Deborah Tracy, MD will be working on a web page that will link to ASIPP's site. A monthly newsletter will begin in September to keep everyone up to date regarding both state and national issues that affect your pain management practices.

Dr. Marshall Bedder, the new Executive Chair for Regional Task Force Development, will be developing a web of Regional Directors around the state. These regional Directors will be critical to the development of a regional task force so sorely needed. With the help of our corporate sponsors, we plan to host biannual dinners around the state. This will allow FSIPP and ASIPP officers to directly meet with members to discuss issues and create solutions relevant to your practices. In addition, the grassroots network that we develop will prepare us for attack during critical political votes. More on this in the future....

There has been some talk about a FSIPP annual meeting in 2007. This is being considered. Our President Elect, Harold Cordner, MD will be evaluating our options. More to come.....

So, as you can see, we are going to be quite busy this year. I invite every interventional pain physician to join FSIPP. More importantly, I invite you to get involved.

There are many ways to get involved.... you could...

become a regional task force director

lobby in Tallahassee or even Washington, DC

help recruit new members

No job is too small. Get involved!!!!

Lora L. Brown, MD