New Mexico Medical Society
2017 House of Delegates
Summary of Actions

A-1 REPORT OF THE COUNCIL
The action items were approved and the report filed. pp 1-21(g)

The House of Delegates approved the following Council actions on priority issues:

- Prepare options for reorganization of the current governance of the New Mexico Medical Society. The Executive committee prepared mock annual meeting agenda and FAQ sheet. Materials were distributed multiple times to members and discussed at the annual county visits, receiving a very positive and supportive response from membership. An ad hoc committee was appointed to study options before the Constitution and Bylaws proposed amendments to address the restructuring.
- Allow financial support of NMMS events by pharmaceutical companies and medical industry.
- Allow seated NMMS President to serve as the second Alternate Delegate to the AMA.
- Retain neutral position on pharmacist prescribing hormonal birth control.
- Support legislation that would allow CME mandated credits to satisfy MCO requirements for specialty boards’ recertification.
- Support the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons’ resolution to the AMA for Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs.
- Support NMMS resolution to AMA on Prohibition of Clinical Data Blocking.
- Support triennial licensing fee of $100 for a student loan fund.
- Endorse the election of Barbara McAneny MD as President of the AMA.

A-1a SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL
The action items were approved and the report filed. pp 21(i-k)

The House of Delegates approved the following Council actions on priority issues:

- Recommend to the New Mexico Medical Board that its chair always be a medical doctor (MD).

A-2 REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE
The report was filed. pp 23-26

Officers:
President William Liakos Jr. MD Chaves, Pediatric Medicine
President-Elect Sandra Whisler MD GAMA, Pediatric Medicine
Vice President Nancy Wright MD San Miguel, Pediatric Medicine
Immediate Past-President William Ritchie MD GAMA, Orthopedic Surgery
Secretary/Treasurer Stephen Haynes MD C-D-R, General Surgery, 1 year
AMA Delegate Steven Kanig MD GAMA, 2 years
AMA Delegate Stephen Lucero MD Taos, Urology, 1 year
AMA Alt Delegate Lynn Bryant MD GAMA, Internal Medicine, 1 year
Speaker Angela Bratton MD Los Alamos, Ophthalmology, 2 years
Vice-Speaker Dion Gallant MD GAMA, Family Medicine, 2 years
A-3 REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

A motion was made and seconded to amend the Constitution and Bylaws as follows: To change the required notification period for the annual meeting from “at least two years” to “at least one year” to accommodate the meeting for 2018. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to amend sections concerning the election of officers in the Constitution and Bylaws as follows: Electronic ballots may be sent to all members of NMMS who are eligible to vote, at least 10 days prior to each annual business meeting. A member may vote by electronic ballot or in person at the annual business meeting. The motion was approved, 22 voting support, 13 opposed.

A motion was made and seconded to amend the Constitution and Bylaws as follows: To provide for electronic voting for Constitution and Bylaws amendments changes in addition to voting at the Annual Business Meeting. To pass Constitution and Bylaws amendments, there must be a voting quorum of 20% of members. A substitute motion was made and seconded to refer the amendment to the Constitution and Bylaws committee. The motion was approved.

To amend the NMMS Constitution and Bylaws, approval is required by two-thirds of votes. Mark Chiu MD, Chair Tellers’ Committee, announced the written ballot results:
1. All proposed amendments to the Constitution were approved by vote 39-4.
2. All proposed amendments to the Bylaws were approved by vote 38-5.

The Constitution and Bylaws become effective immediately.

The Constitution and Bylaws were adopted as amended and the report filed. pp 27-28

A-4 REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
The report was filed. pp 29-43

A-5 REPORT OF THE YOUNG PHYSICIAN SECTION & MEDICAL STUDENT SECTION
The report was filed. pp 45-52
A-6 REPORT OF THE CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE
   The report was filed.          pp 53-55

A-7 REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO CHILDREN’S MEDICAL SERVICES
   The report was filed.          pp 57-60

A-8 REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE
   The report was filed.          pp 61-64

B-1 REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
   The report was filed.          pp 65-88

B-2 REPORT OF THE LIAISON COMMITTEE TO THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPT.
   The report was filed.          pp 89-90

B-3 REPORT OF THE MEDICAL-LEGAL COMMITTEE
   The report was filed.          pp 91-97

B-4 REPORT OF THE LIAISON COMMITTEE TO THE UNM SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
   The report was filed.          pp 99-101

RESOLUTION B-200 SIMPLIFICATION OF PROCESS TO ENSURE ALL
PHYSICIANS ACCESS THE PRESCRIPTION MONITORING
PROGRAM (PMP) PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING OPIATES TO
PATIENTS
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RESOLVED that the New Mexico Medical Society, working with the NM Board of
Pharmacy, the New Mexico Medical Board, as well as any other pertinent regulatory or legislative bodies, seek to simplify the process of using proxies or other means to assure that all physicians access the PMP prior to prescribing opiates for all patients.

The resolution was adopted.

LATE RESOLUTION B-201 HEALTH SECURITY
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RESOLVED that the New Mexico Medical Society supports the concept of our state creating a health insurance cooperative plan that covers all New Mexicans and is administered by a publicly accountable, geographically representative commission that includes representation by the medical profession.

The resolution was referred to the Council with the recommendation that any proposal(s) would be consistent with the guidelines regarding health system reform as adopted by the 2007 House of Delegates.
RESOLVED that the New Mexico Medical Society supports the Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Center’s efforts to seek private funding to perform a fiscal analysis of the Health Security Plan and other possible alternatives to provide the critical information needed in order to move forward with a New Mexico health care solution.

The resolution was adopted.

EMERGENCY RESOLUTION

RESOLVED that the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association rise in appreciation and remembrance of our esteemed and distinguished colleague and friend, Jerry Dewayne McLaughlin II, MD.

The resolution was adopted.