

**Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes  
American College of Pediatricians  
Friday-March 8, 2013  
Atlanta, Georgia  
Hilton Garden Inn - Atlanta Airport/Millennium Center**

Present: Drs M. Grubb, J. Anderson, Q. Van Meter, D. Trumbull, J. Zanga, T. Benton, M. Cretella, P. June, J. Brewster, P. Kaleida, R. Matthews, S. Spies, and College administrator Lisa Hawkins.

<b>1. Call to Order 7 pm</b>	
<b>2. Opening Prayer</b>	
<b>3. Introduction</b>	Dr. Trumbull welcomed the two newest Board members Jane Anderson and Mark Grubb and had all in attendance introduce themselves.
<b>4. Approval of the Minutes</b>	a. The minutes from the September 2012 Board meeting were approved as corrected. (7:35 pm)
<b>5. Approval of Interim Executive Committee Decisions (Action Items)</b>	Dr. June made a point of clarification in the Action items. The section about the credit card Capital One should be that anyone making a donation through Network for Good (to the College) using a Capital One credit card does not have to pay the usual credit card fee. Another change to be made to the action items is that the five domains listed should be americancollegeofpediatricandadolescentmedicine (not pediatricians). Final comment from Dr. Zanga; in the future please place on the action items an update of the status for each item instead of just listing them as "complete." <b>Action Item:</b> Lisa to make these corrections. <b>DONE</b>
<b>6. Additions to the Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter was received from the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons requesting that we recommend a member of the College with an interest or expertise in orthopedics to review their newest guideline draft of <i>Pediatric Development Dysplasia of the Hip</i>.</li> <li>• Dr. Kaleida asked that we add to the agenda a discussion about how to increase the number of younger board members.</li> <li>• Dr. June asked that we add to the SPC section the statement on <i>First Day in the Life of an Embryo</i>.</li> </ul>
<b>7. Approval of Agenda</b>	Agenda approved with additions.
<b>8. Objectives for the meeting</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. College focus</li> <li>2. National meeting 2014 committee formation</li> <li>3. Parental Rights update</li> </ol>
<b>9. President's Report</b>	Dr. Trumbull expressed his desire to try and streamline the

<p><b>- Dr. Trumbull</b></p> <p><b>Streamlining Board meetings with Robert's Rules</b></p>	<p>Board meetings in an effort to be as effective as possible and he went over "8 Steps to a Main Motion" excerpted from <u>Robert's Rules</u>.</p> <p><b>Presentation:</b> Dr. Trumbull shared with the group an email from a member suggesting that the College be more diversified and more moderate with its positions. Dr. Trumbull presented a Power Point demonstrating why the College must be focused and why the College cannot be distracted with a quest to be more diversified.</p>
<p><b>Staying Focused</b></p>	<p>As addendum to this minutes, see an outline of Dr. Trumbull's presentation "Summary of College Objectives and Goals." <b>Action item:</b> Lisa to include the summary as an addendum to the minutes in the Board meeting notebook archives.</p> <p>Because the College has limited resources it must keep its focus on subjects emphasized in the College mission statements: moral, ethical, family, marriage, life, parents and sexuality issues. These are the issues within the expertise of the College and that are not getting proper attention from the AAP. Every proposed project/paper/statement must pass through a "filter" to evaluate whether the College should use its limited resources to accomplish the project.</p> <p>Following the presentation one Board member mentioned that Charlene Yost has been a successful voice for life. She presents a very focused and positive message that has allowed her to get into legislative offices, etc., and to make an impact. Dr. June agreed that it is important that the College must stand for the truth but with a gentle message.</p>
<p><b>Improving College Visibility</b></p>	<p>However, when a member takes the time to write a scientific article, shouldn't we consider placing it on our website? Discussion ensued. The pros of doing this is that other topics published to our website could help the College visibility on Google and it may be pleasing to members. The con of doing this, however, is our Scientific Policy Committee has enough work with keeping up with our current focused topics. They cannot possibly vet other papers and these would have to be vetted to be posted to the College website. In summary, it was decided that the College must remain focused and we regret that we cannot publish papers from members that distract from that focus.</p>
<p><b>Prescriptions for Parents</b></p>	<p>Another possibility for helping the College to be more visible on Google would be to take advantage of every opportunity to comment on positive things. For example, issue a press release congratulating Nickelodeon for having a "turn off your T.V." day. Another suggestion was to take advantage of the growth in use of electronic medical records and the College could provide handout content.</p>

	<p>Dr. Anderson shared her project "Prescriptions for Parents." She has created lots of handouts about child development and parenting. The College could link to the website once it is developed and use it as a seed for the parent project of the College. She plans to use "Talk Fusion" to send email blasts to parents on a twice monthly cycle on particular topics and she hopes to enlist the help of College Board members with this project. This will be a trial limited to the parents she has in her data base. From this trial, data can be gathered and measured to seek a grant for a future larger project.</p>
<p><b>10. Vice President's Report – Dr. Cretella</b></p> <p><b>Learn from the Past – Move towards the Future!</b></p>	<p>Dr. Cretella presented a Power Point "Learn from the Past, Move toward the Future." Points made from the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The College is not a religious organization. The College exists to support natural law and the position taken by many religious organizations.</li> <li>• Stay focused on the College mission. Know who your enemies are and know the strengths of the College.</li> <li>• Don't always rely on email. Sometimes it's better to pick up the phone: avoids misunderstanding.</li> <li>• Faith, science and natural law all go hand-in-hand.</li> <li>• The College is not a political organization, but the College statements can support organizations trying to impact legislation. Tread a fine line with advocacy vs politics.</li> <li>• "Enemies" of the College are anti-natural law ideologies: atheism and secular humanism, socialism, radical feminism, pagan/new age Gnosticism, moral relativism, hedonism, etc.</li> <li>• So much presented today as "science" is not science but ideology.</li> <li>• The College exists to incessantly remind the world of what science actually reveals that is best for children.</li> <li>• Important for Board members to maintain a balance in their lives: take care of yourselves.</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Benton stated that it's important that we not continue to say "We are not the AAP," but instead say who we ARE. Dr. Zanga stated that we must learn to outthink those who oppose the College message.</p>
<p><b>11. Treasurer's Report – Dr. Brewster</b></p>	<p>Dr. Brewster reported that the College is financially stable. The College income is higher than this point last year, and the expenses are down from last year. Dues are coming in at an expected rate and because the 2013 national meeting was cancelled there is a surplus in the budget for those unused funds. The current bank balance is \$61,463 which includes a surplus fund of \$27,370 (this is money left over from previous years), and a 3 month reserve fund</p>

	<p>of \$14,365. The reserve fund is held in the College savings account in the event that the College was to experience a downturn and could not meet its financial obligations as planned.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Lisa to ask Dr. Brewster if we should move the surplus fund (\$27,370) to the savings account.</p>
<p><b>12. Membership Report – Dr. June</b></p> <p><b>Current membership numbers: 372</b></p> <p><b>Opportunity to approach more pediatricians with the Press Release response to the AAP Special Article</b></p> <p><b>Emeritus membership category</b></p> <p><b>Further discussion about Membership moved to Saturday morning.</b></p>	<p>Membership numbers as of March 7, 2013 = 371 (319 one year ago)</p> <p>7 Associate members (7 one year ago)</p> <p>7 Candidate Fellows (7 one year ago)</p> <p>22 Emeritus (22 one year ago)</p> <p>247 Fellows (221 one year ago)</p> <p>7 Specialty Fellows (2 one year ago)</p> <p>~59 Student members (39 one year ago)</p> <p>~22 Training Fellow members (21 one year ago)</p> <p>Membership runs across 45 states and 11 countries: Japan, Colombia, Saudi, United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Caribbean, Canada, Ireland, Pakistan, Mexico, and Cambodia.</p> <p>(No members in Hawaii, Alaska, Maine, W. Virginia and Delaware. At one point we had one member in Alaska and one in Delaware as well as one in D.C.)</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Lisa to include the map with membership numbers outlined, in the Board meeting notebook archives.</p> <p>It was suggested that with the AAP special article to which the College responded with a press release (AAP Abandons Children in Favor of Adult Wants), the College may also take this opportunity to do an email blast to pediatricians about the press release. <b>Action item:</b> Ask Dr. Trumbull about follow up for this.</p> <p>The membership committee discovered that some wording concerning the Emeritus membership category was left out in the bylaws and on the website, "Evidence of high ethical standing." There was much discussion on this and the Board decided further clarification of the Emeritus category, in addition to wording, may be required so the discussion was moved to Saturday morning.</p>
<b>13. Past President's Report – Dr. Benton</b>	Past President's report will be combined with the Marketing committee discussion on Saturday.
<b>14. Group Photo</b>	Moved to Saturday morning
<b>15. National Meeting</b>	Discussion about 2014 National meeting moved to Saturday.
<b>16. Adjourn</b>	10 pm Closed in prayer and adjourned until Saturday morning.

**Board of Directors Meeting**  
 Minutes  
 American College of Pediatricians  
 Saturday-March 9, 2013

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Board Members present: Drs P. Kaleida, M. Grubb, J. Anderson, P. June, S. Spies, M. Cretella, D. Trumbull, J. Brewster, R. Matthews, J. Zanga, T. Benton, J. Zanga, D. Hagler, and College administrator L. Hawkins

<p><b>1. Call to Order</b></p>	<p>The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer at 8:10 a.m. Dr. Trumbull reminded everyone that his hope is that each person on the Board will serve on at least one committee. (Lisa sent by email a list of committee descriptions to all present.)</p> <p><b>Group Photo was taken</b></p>
<p><b>2. Membership report - continued – Dr. June</b></p>	<p>There was a continued discussion from Friday night about who qualifies as an Emeritus Fellow, what parameters should be observed, and what wording needs to be changed. The Board voted to send this discussion back to the Membership committee to make recommendations to the Board. Dr. June asked the Board to do a straw vote in order to help the committee know how to proceed: <b>Should the College allow new members to join as Emeritus?</b> Six board members in favor, 3 against and one abstention. Based on this information, the Membership committee will form a recommendation about the Emeritus membership category and present it to the Board at the September Board meeting. This recommendation will include verbiage for the Bylaw change. <b>Action item:</b> Membership committee to provide a recommendation and verbiage for a bylaw change to the Board in September 2013.</p> <p>Dr. Kaleida suggested that we find a way to get Canadian pediatricians involved with the College. <b>Action item:</b> Lisa to investigate a way to invite Canadian pediatricians.</p> <p>Dr. Kaleida requested to join the Membership committee and remove himself from the Nominations committee.</p>
<p><b>3. National Meeting 2014 – Dr. Trumbull</b></p>	<p>The College needs a committee to define a venue for a 2014 meeting. A summary of the member survey from last year was reviewed to assist a committee in choosing a date and venue. <b>Action item:</b> Dr. Kaleida, Dr. Grubb and</p>





	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Prescriptions for Parents: <b>Jane Anderson</b></li> <li>○ Exploitation of Women: <b>Alma Golden</b></li> </ul> <p>Dr. Zanga thinks we should shake things up. <b>A motion was made to sue the AAP for their part in blocking physicians from discussing a child's issues with parents. This motion was seconded but failed in vote.</b></p>
<p><b>6. Planning and Development – Dr. Cretella</b></p> <p><b>Explore having an online journal</b></p> <p><b>Fall 2013 Board meeting</b></p> <p><b>Spring 2013 Board meeting</b></p> <p><b>12 noon Lunch</b></p>	<p>This committee needs some new members!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Streamline committees to include only those truly interested in working on the committee.</li> <li>2. Encourage committees to hold at least one meeting in between board meetings.</li> <li>3. Invite committee chairs to participate in EC conference calls on a rotating basis. <b>A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously for committee chairs to rotate in on monthly EC conference calls.</b> (Action item: Lisa to assign dates for committee chairs to participate in EC meetings.)</li> <li>4. Hold an annual national meeting.</li> <li>5. Using presentations from national meetings create an online journal once per year (for starters).</li> </ol> <p>Board members agreed this was a good plan for moving forward. <b>A motion was made to explore the possibility of an online annual or bi-annual journal.</b> This was seconded. A vote yielded 10 for the motion; and one abstention. (Action item: Dr. Cretella to speak with Dr. Golden because Dr. Anderson said Dr. Golden has knowledge of creating online journals. Action item: Lisa to see if the archives have information about the research Dr. Matthews did on publishing a journal back in 2008 or 2009.</p> <p>The fall Board meeting of the College is scheduled in Atlanta September 13 and 14, 2013.</p> <p>The spring 2014 College Board meeting will be scheduled prior to the fall 2013 meeting.</p> <p>(Working lunch was held in the meeting room with food delivered in.)</p>
<p><b>7. New Business</b></p> <p><b>The Battle for America's Soul</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>The Battle for America's Soul</b>        Dr. Anderson presented a Power Point that outlined highlights from the book, <u>The Battle for America's Soul</u> by C. L. Gray.        In the book, Dr. Gray documents the struggle between two world views traced back through history to Greek philosophers – Hippocrates and Plato. One world view protects and empowers the individual and the other worldview protects and empowers the state to the detriment of the individual. In the presentation Dr. Anderson shows how Dr. Gray in his book made it obvious how the U.S. has transferred slowly from a Hippocrates worldview to a Plato worldview. By understanding</li> </ol>

<p><b>Board member responsibilities</b></p> <p><b>Conflict of Interest</b></p> <p><b>Disclosure statement</b></p> <p><b>Break at 1:35 pm meeting resumed at 1:50 pm</b></p>	<p>history and the battle we face, the College can articulate a prolife worldview and argue against anything that threatens to destroy that. It is the duty of the College to inform the public of the risks when government <i>bestows</i> individuals their rights.</p> <p>See a YouTube "<a href="#">The Determinators</a>" for further understanding.</p> <p>FYI: Summit Springs in Colorado has a 2 week course for High School and College age youth about worldview that is excellent.</p> <p><b>2. Board member responsibilities</b>  Dr. Trumbull presented three documents for Board review: Board Member Responsibilities, a Conflict of Interest policy, and a Disclosure Statement. There was discussion about all three documents and many edits added. Finally each document was presented for vote. Dr. Matthews made a <b>motion to accept the Summary of Responsibilities as edited</b>. Motion was seconded by Dr. Brewster. Vote was 8 in favor, none opposed, and 2 abstentions. <b>Action item</b>: This will be added to the College Policies and Procedures.  <b>A motion was made to accept the Conflict of Interest statement as edited into the College Policies and Procedures</b>. Motion was seconded. A vote followed with 9 in favor; none opposed and 3 abstentions.  <b>A motion was made to accept the Disclosure statement as edited into the College Policies and Procedures</b>. Motion was seconded and the vote yielded 7 in favor; 0 opposed, and 4 abstentions.  <b>Action item</b>: Lisa to add all three statements to the College Policies and Procedures. <b>Action item</b>: Lisa to send a copy of the final statements to all Board members so they can sign where appropriate and return to the office.</p> <p><b>3. Study by member Dr. Scott Field</b>  Member Scott Field submitted to the College a study on Autism and ADHD with the hope that the College would publish it.</p> <p>Returning to the Board’s earlier discussion, it was mentioned that this study does not pass the “filter” test with regard to the mission, vision, values of the College. The Scientific Policy Committee does not have the time or expertise to properly vet this study. In addition, even if the SPC could review the study, once published on the College website Dr. Field would lose any opportunity of having the study published in a peer-reviewed journal. Since the</p>
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	<p>College does not [yet] have a peer-review journal, the Board agreed that it was not appropriate for us to publish to our website.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Dr. Trumbull will communicate this to Dr. Scott Field.</p>
<p><b>8. Scientific Policy Committee – Dr. Anderson</b></p> <p><b>Marijuana statement</b></p> <p><b>Adoption statement</b></p> <p><b>Re-inventing the wheel</b></p> <p><b>The Media statement</b></p> <p><b>Emergency Contraception statement</b></p> <p><b>Parental Notification statement</b></p> <p><b>Sexual Responsibility</b></p>	<p>Dr. Anderson spoke on behalf of herself and Dr. Alma Golden as chairs of the Scientific Policy Committee. She said they have been a bit overwhelmed with the work involved in reviewing statements especially with the first statement they received being the extensive, detailed statement on <i>Sexual Responsibility</i>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Marijuana statement was reviewed by the SPC and their recommendations were forwarded to Dr. Hagler. As of 3.11.13, Dr. Hagler has incorporated their recommendations and a final statement will be sent to the Board for review soon. <b>Action item:</b> Lisa to review the final statement and forward to the Board for review.</li> <li>• The Adoption statement was reviewed by the SPC and presented to the Board. Discussion about the revisions ensued. The Board made small changes to the final statement (authored by L. Willson). <b>A motion was made and seconded to approve the amended version with a vote of 8 in favor and 4 opposed.</b> <b>Action item:</b> Dr. Trumbull to send the amended statement to Dr. Willson for her agreement before Lisa sends it to the members.</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Anderson asked the group if it was logical for us to recreate a statement that the AAP has already done a good job with. Is it a good use of our time and resources? Dr. Zanga made the suggestion for the College to bounce off of AAP statements whenever possible, e.g., “The College agrees with the AAP on such and such; however with the following caveat...”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action item:</b> Dr. Trumbull agreed to do a re-write of the Media statement originally authored by Dr. Vizcarrondo.</li> <li>• Dr. Cretella asked since the Emergency Contraception statement was reviewed by the Adolescent Sexuality Committee instead of the SPC, should the statement now go to the SPC for continuity. Dr. Anderson suggested yes and all agreed. <b>Action item:</b> Lisa will send the Emergency Contraception statement to the SPC after it is “cleaned up” before it goes to the Board.</li> <li>• Parental notification is due for an update. Originated with Dr. de Miranda but he cannot do the update. <b>Action item:</b> Dr. Anderson will share with the Board the deposition she gave for the Alaska case about parental notification and perhaps someone can use that to update the statement.</li> <li>• <b>Action item:</b> Dr. June will send the Sexual Responsibility policy to Dr. McIlhaney as a courtesy</li> </ul>

<p><b>Marriage &amp; the Family statement</b></p>	<p>for his initial help. <b>Action item:</b> Dr. Cretella, Dr. June and Dr. Anderson will discuss the Sexual Responsibility paper at length and decide how to move forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Statement on Marriage and the Family originally initiated by Glenn Stanton of Focus on the Family is past due for an update. Dr. Trumbull and Dr. Cretella did a lot of work on this statement initially following Glenn’s draft. <b>Action item:</b> They [Cretella and Trumbull] will work on an update.</li> </ul>
<p><b>9. Web Committee – Dr. Trumbull</b></p> <p><b>Blogging</b></p> <p><b>“Best for Children”</b></p> <p><b>Google Analytics</b></p> <p><b>Face lift for the Facts site</b></p>	<p>3 pm</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Lisa to find out how to blog using Word Press. The Board voted to keep the slogan “Best for Children” as is and add it under the College name on the website.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Lisa to advise Ryan to add this to the website.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Lisa to have Ryan add Google analytics for our new site.</p> <p>Dr. Trumbull shared the Google analytics reports for the Facts site and marveled at how successful this site continues to be with lots of traffic around the world.</p> <p><b>Action item:</b> Dr. Cretella wants to work with the group who created <a href="http://www.voices-of-change.org">www.voices-of-change.org</a> to have them help with a facelift for the Facts website.</p> <p>A discussion took place about the importance of the College taking advantage of things in the news to blog and share the College message. For example, last week there was in the news a story about a school with a six year old male student who identified as female. His parents wanted him to be able to use the girl’s bathroom at school and the school was going to allow it. What about the rights of all the little girls?</p>
<p><b>10. PPDC (Pediatric Psychosocial Development Committee) – Dr. Cretella</b></p>	<p><b>Action item:</b> As chair for the PPDC Dr. Cretella would like to organize a core group from the PPDC to work on a GID project for the schools. She plans to seek support from the Family Research Council and Liberty Counsel for this project.</p>
<p><b>11. Nominations Committee – Dr. Zanga</b></p> <p><b>Revising term limits?</b></p> <p><b>Board member qualities</b></p>	<p>The nominations committee met recently and welcomed two new non-Board members: Shirley Gonzalez and Michele Yi.</p> <p>One things discussed by the committee was whether the Board should consider revising the terms for President and Vice President in the Bylaws. The majority of the committee agreed to keep the terms as they are.</p> <p>The committee also discussed important qualities to seek in board nominees. Suggestions for revisions of this document were noted and shared with the Board for further editing. <b>A motion was made to accept the final list of suggested Board member qualifications. This was seconded and passed unanimously.</b> <b>Action item:</b> Lisa to attach a copy in the Board meeting archives to</p>

<p><b>Bylaw change to allow a non-healthcare provider to sit on the Board</b></p>	<p>these minutes, and share a final copy with the committee members so they may refer to them as they seek new board member nominees for the future.</p> <p><b>A motion was made and seconded to make a Bylaw change that would allow the College Board to include one or two non-healthcare providers to sit on the board but to not have voting privileges. This was passed unanimously.</b> Especially suggested was an attorney. <b>Action item:</b> this will require a bylaw change!</p>
<p><b>12. Specific Goals for the next 6 months</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Find a new chairman for the Adolescent Sexuality Committee.</li> <li>2. Encourage committees to have regular conference calls in-between board meetings.</li> <li>3. Seek additional ways to defend and promote the family.</li> </ol>
<p><b>13. Executive Session</b></p>	<p>All non-board members at the meeting exit the room – including the administrative assistant. <b>The Board voted unanimously to give Lisa a \$750 bonus.</b></p>
<p><b>14. Board wrap up</b></p>	<p>Lisa returns to the room for the closing prayer and adjournment at 4:05 pm.</p>