

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**Virtual**

**July 20, 2021**

**5:30pm MST**

**Chair:** Dr. Jennifer Brasch, President

**Minutes**

Present: J. Brasch      M. Willows      D. Martell      G. Budd      S. Etches      K. Lee  
                 B. Nofle      S. Dubreucq      N. Ali      W. Shublaq      P. Sobey      D. Martell  
                 N. el – Guebaly AS. Marsolais      N. Bootsman      E. Knight      R. Fraser      R. Tanguay  
                 M. Ghosh      B. Hebert (recorder)

Absent: C. Chase

1. Call to Order: 5:32pm MST – J. Brasch
2. Approval of Agenda
  - a. Health Canada – M. Willows
  - b. Passing of Harold Kalant– N. el- Guebaly

**Motion by D. Martell to accept the agenda.**

**Seconded by: K. Lee**

3. Review Minutes from June 8, 2021 (Appendix 1)
  - a. Minutes from June 8 have been reviewed and approved

**Motion by J. Brasch to accept the minutes from June 8, 2021.**

**Seconded by: R. Fraser**

4. President's Report
  - a. Welcome to new BOD representatives
    - i. Erin Knight – Manitoba Representative
    - ii. Nicole Bootsman – Saskatchewan Representative
    - iii. Round table introductions
  - b. COVID-19 vaccination and addiction medicine clinics
    - i. Is anyone working in an OAT or addiction medicine clinic that is arranging or offering COVID-19 vaccines?

1. Two BOD Members have worked in a clinic like this – D. Martell and W. Shublaq
  2. Both clinics have easy access to the vaccination
5. Kadian Shortage Update – M. Willows
  - a. M. Willows attended a Tier 3 shortage meeting to determine whether the drug shortage is serious and if there are other alternative options
  - b. A letter was received from Health Canada stating that long-acting morphine shortage was determined to be a tier 3 shortage
  - c. M. Willows received an email to attend an upcoming discussion of the shortage of hydromorph 8mg tabs
    - i. B. Hebert to connect CSAM-SMCA Executive about attending this next meeting
6. Passing of Harold Kalant - N. el-Guebaly
  - a. One of the founders of field of addiction medicine in Canada
  - b. An award from CCSA is to be potentially named after him
  - c. CSAM-SMCA to send a letter to CCSA (Rita Notarandrea) stating we support the development of this award
    - i. The CSAM-SMCA BOD supports this
    - ii. B. Hebert to assist J. Brasch in writing this letter
7. Pandemic Supply Statement Update – P. Sobey
  - a. Work is on-going
  - b. In the writing stages of this project
8. CSAM-SMCA Conference – D. Martell
  - a. Fully Virtual Conference
  - b. 4 Plenary speakers – Mamta Gautum, Carol Hopkins, Julian Somers, George Koob
  - c. Currently in the process of reviewing the submitted abstracts
    - i. The goal is to have a draft schedule completed by July 26<sup>th</sup>
  - d. Note for next year: Researchers may be confused with the format of research briefs, the title (research briefs) may indicate that only research abstracts will be reviewed in this way
9. “Let’s Talk Overdose” Conference – M. Willows/M. Ghosh
  - a. M. Willows and M. Ghosh gave a presentation on Innovations in addiction care during a Pandemic
  - b. Group that attended was interested and asked questions
10. Report From Education Committee – M. Willows/R. Fraser
  - a. The education committee work is currently focused on Fundamentals
    - i. All speakers have been chosen

- ii. Objectives have been written and are ready to submit for accreditation
- b. In the spring, M Willos and R Fraser reviewed the membership, if you are interested in joining, reach out to the co-chairs
- c. The committee's next meeting will be in September

11. SIG Update – J. Brasch

- a. Will be starting the first SIG for Medical Students
- b. B. Nofle and N. Ali have volunteered to be the BOD members liaison of the SIG
- c. J. Brasch, B. Nofle and N. Ali to meet with the student and discuss goals and organization of the committee
  - i. J. Brasch to determine if the SIG will report directly to the BOD or to the Education Committee

12. Next Meeting: September 14, 2021 @ 6:00pm MST

13. Adjournment: 6:13pm MST – J. Brasch

**Action Items:**

**J. Brasch**

- Write a letter to the CCSA regarding an award development for Howard Gallant

**B. Hebert**

- Assist J. Brasch with writing a letter to CCSA regarding an award development for Harold Kalant
- Organize CSAM-SMCA executive to meet and discuss the next Health Canada Meeting regarding the dilaudid 8's shortage