**Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc.**

**San Diego and Imperial Counties Chapter 057**

**Minutes for April 14, 2021**

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| **TOPIC** | **PRESENTER** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION/ASSIGNMENT** |
| 1. Call to Order | Karin Pardoel | TIME: 1100 |  |
| 2. Recognition/Introductions | Karin Pardoel | Board member introductions:  Past President Tracy Lanier [Tracy.Lanier@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:Tracy.Lanier@cdph.ca.gov)  President Karin I. Pardoel [Karin.I.Pardoel@kp.org](mailto:Karin.I.Pardoel@kp.org)  President-Elect Maggie Turner [margaret.turner@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:margaret.turner@cdph.ca.gov)  Legislative Representative Sherri Cummings [Sherri.L.Cummings@kp.org](mailto:Sherri.L.Cummings@kp.org)  Secretary Sondra Lintz, [slintz@rchsd.org](mailto:slintz@rchsd.org)  Treasurer Megan Medina, [mcrowley@rchsd.org](mailto:mcrowley@rchsd.org)  Treasurer Elect- Cindy Chambers [Cindy.Chambers@cdcr.ca.gov](mailto:Cindy.Chambers@cdcr.ca.gov)  Membership Chair Liz Jefferson [Jefferson.Elizabeth@scrippshealth.org](mailto:Jefferson.Elizabeth@scrippshealth.org)  Education Chair & Committee Jarrod Becasen [Jarrod.Becasen@palomarhealth.org](mailto:Jarrod.Becasen@palomarhealth.org) & William Cardona [william.cardona@kp.org](mailto:william.cardona@kp.org)  Nominating Committee Claudia Sanchez Goad [sanchezgoad.claudia@scrippshealth.org](mailto:sanchezgoad.claudia@scrippshealth.org) & Rowena Okumura [Rowena.Okumura@va.gov](mailto:Rowena.Okumura@va.gov)  Social Chair & Committee Sheri Morgan, Margot Hudson [hudson.margot@scrippshealth.org](mailto:hudson.margot@scrippshealth.org) , & Palak Patel [p9patel@health.ucsd.edu](mailto:p9patel@health.ucsd.edu)  New attendees: none  New APIC members: none  New CIC or Recertifications: Clancy Collins, IP UCSD new CIC!, Kai Bryant re certification last month |  |
| 3. Minutes | Group | Minutes for March 2021- approved by members | Edit date at top of minutes- review past minutes for error |
| 4. Unfinished Business | Karin Pardoel | Setting Chapter goals 2021: meeting this Friday  CIC increase 5%- reasonable to maintain goal  Annual Conf- Joint event with Inland Empire Chapter   * Joint meeting held on 3/5 to discuss initial planning. If in person not possible due to restrictions, may have virtual vs in person plus virtual * please fill out survey for in person vs virtual and vaccine status.   LTC Conf in the Spring  Virtual- currently finding speakers for the event  IP expectations from AFL 20-84  Community service project- COVID vaccine outreach to underserved areas/ hard hit areas  Food Pantry- Volunteering  RMH  Local IP network/Outreach Mentorship-  ACIC- Jr IP, bring in nursing students/young nurses to start mentoring  Bring a friend to APIC-  Tracy- make list of local businesses- hard hit by COVID, have good practices, distribute list to all support local businesses |  |
| 5. New Business | Karin Pardoel | 2021 APIC chapter of excellence award recipient, To be announced at 2021 virtual Annual National APIC Conference on Chapter Lead Day |  |
| 6. Treasurer’s Report | Megan Medina | Beginning balance 3/1/21 17709.15, ending 19,009.15  Deposits $1300- CACC overpaid our Chapter for dues, overpayment will be subtracted from next quarter dues  Mutual fund increase by $460.87 |  |
| 7. Membership | Liz Jefferson | 117 members as of 4/1  91 full active  26 associates  12 lapsed including 5 CICs (9 full active and 3 associate)  Update designation in APIC with CIC after receiving certification. | Screen shots on how to update designation- Jarrod will resend |
| 8. Education Report | Jarrod Becasen  Will Cardona | Chapter Education Support Awards roll over results via Google survey  Majority approval of three additional educational support awards for 2021, $500 each, these awards are in addition to the previously awarded in 2020  Additional Scholarships available through CACC, Diversey and National APIC  If you are awarded a CACC award- CACC will contact, you directly to notify. Process to use is to Submit receipts to CACC for reimbursement. Those awarded last year are able to use this year, can use for anything except CIC testing. Can reach out to Lisa Kilgore or Jarrod Becasen for more information  Applications are available online  Discussion of re-opening a virtual CIC study group-  Liz would like to share strategies for passing CIC  resources on the Chapter site  <http://sdapic.org/cic-readiness/>  Washington-based webinars <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/79055044005287943800>  Florida-based webinars. Email to register: [Luz.Caicedo@flhealth.gov](mailto:Luz.Caicedo@flhealth.gov) |  |
| 9. Social Committee | Sheri Morgan Chair | Update on December celebration at Tom Ham’s Lighthouse- still have reservation, when closer to date will survey members about indoor vs outdoor event |  |
| 10. Nominating Committee | Claudia Sanchez Goad | No report |  |
| **11. Updates** |  |  |  |
| 11.2 CACC | Lisa Kilgore  Frank Myers | Large group of attendees- National APIC legislative affairs, speaker will share slides. Lisa will share with chapter  Assembly Bill 26-44 and AB 15-85 information  Foundations update- planning in progress, plan to do in person, pre-courses will be available to individuals attending. Example: Microbiology- 3 hour course, asynchronous learning. New course- role of IP in AMS  Will be in October in Ontario- likely at Carpenter’s Union building will be at a hospital in San Diego if unable to do in Ontario  Next CACC is May 14th hosted by Orange County Chapter-Speaker Trisha Mitsunaga, topic is C. Auris and other MDROs of Concern |  |
| 11.3 Legislative report | * Sherri Cummings | No report |  |
| 11.4 HAI Liaison report | Tracy Lanier | Working on changing structure for outbreak management  Will still call local health department but now involving epidemiologist Maggie and Tracy will still do site visits  Online program for LTC  Working on one for acute care |  |
| 11.5 HAI Advisory report | Tracy Lanier | CDPH HAI Advisory Committee  HAI Program Activity Summary:   * COVID-19 response and support * Subject matter updates   + Prevention outreach through weekly calls to hospitals, LTCF, and local public health departments (LPH)   + General and LTCF calls likely to continue post-COVID-19   + CAHAN transcripts of calls * Outbreak Investigations (over 600 IPC facility visits)   + Seeing other pathogens increase during pandemic     - *C. auris* spread due to PPE shortage, hospital crowding, conservation measures, etc. * Building capacity   + In SNF with IP role   + LPH new HAI prevention positions   + Project Firstline – IPC training to 50,000 SNF CNA   Honor Roll Program for Antimicrobial Stewardship (ASP)   * Facilities registered to implement core elements and measure outcomes * Gold, silver, and Bronze ratings   Review of California’s HAI Plan   * Surveillance prevention outreach to facilities   + Updating ABS goals and expanding program   + Increasing outreach to smaller facilities   + Increasing training for outpatient settings * Prevention – adding AMR/ASP goals   + Addressing training needs for all IPs * Evaluation and communication   + Include evaluation and communication for all measures   + Establish methods to evaluate, measure and communicate progress     - For all goals, include frequency * Healthcare IP Response   + Data driven assessments   + ASP goals across the continuum of care   + Focus on prevention of emerging organisms   + Data sharing * Goals   + Infrastructure     - ASP goals     - Non-acute settings     - Ongoing review of goals   + Capacity     - Outbreak management     - Surveillance     - Training   + Communication     - Collaboratives     - Annual Report     - Gap analyses   + Training     - LPH training and building IP resources in counties     - Mentorship of LPH IP/PHN in IPC by HAI IP Team     - Incorporate IPC training/practices throughout CA healthcare services     - Improving collaboration with LPH |  |
| 11.6 GERM report | Frank Myers | Discuss vaccination efforts Frank’s phone 619-346-8236 – IP turn over now the only IP on the GERM Commission, UCSD Med director for IP program is on the committee, able to align community efforts, focus is currently AMS. IP representation would be helpful  Liz Jefferson would like to attend GERM Meeting.  Text Frank if you want to join |  |
| 12. Long-Term Care | Karin Pardoel  Maggie  Tracy | Reminder new IP Requirement must have 1 IP per facility can have two part times, cannot take away from IP duties  Requires 14 hours of initial training to be completed within 30 days if existing staff transitioning to IP, or within 90 days of hire if new to the facility hired as IP  How much leeway has been given? - should have in place at this point  Rich at CA APIC meeting- CNAS have 100% turnover, low pay, work expectations are difficult work lead is difficult.  High potential for outbreak so education important.  Encourage IP to come to our APIC meetings for education and networking.  Most are LPN/LVN.  Question- Have we reached out to national APIC to help push toward long-term care professional organizations- Could we reach out through CACC and ask for support, focus in administrators- putting pressure to provide what the MDs and IPs need  Answer- CMS is are requiring across other states we are just ahead in California CDC has a course for LTC as well. APIC has a LTC facility section for education. CDC and CDPH offer free education, APIC is several hundred dollars  Will there be a fine at some point?  Will not receive funding if they do not fulfill requirements, listed in AFL |  |
| 13. Pediatric Care | Char Neder  Sondra Lintz  Megan Medina | Respiratory illness: some Rhinovirus and Adenovirus, vaccinations clinic still running, increase in census and increase in positives |  |
| 14. Ambulatory Care | Jo Vroman | No report |  |
| 15. County Epi | Grace Kang | Recent CAHANs-  Update for people who are vaccinated- general public not healthcare  Hold on the J&J COVID Vaccine- more information to come soon Goal to transition to semi-normal while still having COVID  HAI SD program working together on C. auris surveillance starting with LTC moving to sub-acute facilities and vent SNFs, can discuss with grace if you have facilities attached to your organization  Question C. auris- sent email about LTC and SNF; how will hospitals know if a positive patient is being admitted to their facility?  Counties are working on how to communicate to Hospitals- education and communication with facilities leaders and IP to ensure info is communicated when a patient is transferred. Having trouble with intake staff understanding the significance of C. auris when receiving a patient. IP communication to place C. auris in transmission-based precautions once aware. SD HAI program will also follow up with the IP at the facility (call and Email) |  |
| 14. Other announcements, questions, comments | Group | Maggie- asking for volunteer to be a vendor liaison- expectation for BRN and CEUs, want to make sure new vendors understand requirement for monthly APIC meetings  No surveys |  |
| 15. Adjournment | Karin Pardoel | 1152 | NEXT MEETING: 5/12/2021 |