**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 President Karin I. Pardoel Karin.I.Pardoel@kp.org President-Elect Maggie Turner margaret.turner@cdph.ca.gov Legislative Representative Sherri Cummings Sherri.L.Cummings@kp.org Secretary Sondra Lintz, slintz@rchsd.org Treasurer Megan Medina, mcrowley@rchsd.org Treasurer Elect- Cindy Chambers Cindy.Chambers@cdcr.ca.gov Membership Chair Liz Jefferson Jefferson.Elizabeth@scrippshealth.org Education Chair & Committee Jarrod Becasen Jarrod.Becasen@palomarhealth.org & William Cardona william.cardona@kp.org Nominating Committee Claudia Sanchez Goad sanchezgoad.claudia@scrippshealth.org & Rowena Okumura Rowena.Okumura@va.gov Social Chair & Committee Sheri Morgan, Margot Hudson hudson.margot@scrippshealth.org , & Palak Patel p9patel@health.ucsd.edu New attendees: noneNew APIC members: noneNew 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 FridayCIC increase 5%- reasonable to maintain goalAnnual 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 SpringVirtual- currently finding speakers for the event IP expectations from AFL 20-84Community service project- COVID vaccine outreach to underserved areas/ hard hit areasFood Pantry- VolunteeringRMH Local IP network/Outreach Mentorship- ACIC- Jr IP, bring in nursing students/young nurses to start mentoringBring 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 19,009.15Deposits $1300- CACC overpaid our Chapter for dues, overpayment will be subtracted from next quarter duesMutual fund increase by $460.87 |  |
| 7. Membership | Liz Jefferson | 117 members as of 4/191 full active26 associates12 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 BecasenWill Cardona | Chapter Education Support Awards roll over results via Google surveyMajority 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 APICIf 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 informationApplications are available onlineDiscussion 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  |  |
| 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 KilgoreFrank Myers | Large group of attendees- National APIC legislative affairs, speaker will share slides. Lisa will share with chapterAssembly 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 OntarioNext 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 managementWill still call local health department but now involving epidemiologist Maggie and Tracy will still do site visitsOnline program for LTC Working on one for acute care |  |
| 11.5 HAI Advisory report | Tracy Lanier | CDPH HAI Advisory CommitteeHAI 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
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| 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 PardoelMaggieTracy | 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 IPHow much leeway has been given? - should have in place at this pointRich 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 needAnswer- 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 dollarsWill there be a fine at some point?Will not receive funding if they do not fulfill requirements, listed in AFL |  |
| 13. Pediatric Care | Char NederSondra 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 healthcareHold on the J&J COVID Vaccine- more information to come soon Goal to transition to semi-normal while still having COVIDHAI 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 organizationQuestion 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 meetingsNo surveys |  |
| 15. Adjournment | Karin Pardoel | 1152 | NEXT MEETING: 5/12/2021 |