



**NORTH CENTRAL WISCONSIN APIC CHAPTER 70
Chapter Meeting Minutes**

April 2, 2010

The quarterly meeting of the North Central Wisconsin Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc. (APIC) was held on Friday, April 2nd 2010 at GI Associates in Wausau.

CALL TO ORDER

Terri Dums called the meeting to order at 10:10.
Round table introductions were made.

ATTENDEES

19 members present per sign in roster sheet.

BUSINESS MEETING

Secretary's Report: Carly Jahns

Approval of Minutes—Approved February 5th, 2009 minutes as written.

Membership stands at 48 members.

Treasurer's Report: Julie Carriveau

Checking Account balance: \$XXX

Money Market Index Account balance: \$XXX

Total Net Worth: \$XXX

A total of \$XXX will be transferred from the money market to checking account to apply towards scholarships, leaving a remaining balance of \$XXX after scholarships are disbursed. Our chapter has put \$4,500.00 towards scholarships for the WI State APIC Conference this year. Scholarships have been awarded to 15 members.

President's Report: Terri Dums

State Conference Update – MedImmune is sponsoring a dinner program Wednesday, April 28th at the state conference. Members are encouraged to RSVP as soon as possible if interested.

CIC Recertification – The Wisconsin State Chapter Presidents are waiting to hear from Gwen Borlaug to sign state's proposal requesting change from CIC recertification by way of examination to CEU credits. Chapter members expressed dissatisfaction regarding feedback process after taking the CIC recertification exam. In addition recertification is expensive and labor intensive to prepare for.

Wisconsin Healthcare-Associated Infections Prevention Project – A few chapter members are looking at implementation of the NHSN surveillance program at their respective healthcare facilities. Additional points

and challenges related to NHSN system were discussed (i.e. NHSN definitions, report mechanisms), and expressed NHSN as a very resource intensive program.

There are upcoming NHSN learning/training sessions held at different locations throughout the state, see email attachment for specific dates and times. Attached is the agenda for the learning sessions. Attendees are to register at the following website: <https://doa.wi.gov/DHSSurveys/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=IIMI8981>

WI State Reporting – Our state may eventually be required to publicly report our data (infection rate) as a result of the new Healthcare Reform bill that was recently passed. The NHSN program would likely be the vehicle for public reporting and benchmarking.

Leadership News – APIC is looking for webinar topics. Please contact Terri Dums with any topics of your interest so she may submit them.

The online APIC text is now available.

Legislative Update

No updates at this time.

State Conference Update

Charity – Annually the APIC State Conference holds a fundraising raffle. Each Wisconsin Chapter receives one-fourth the total earnings to put towards a donation of their choice. After discussion among members present, it was decided to donate this year's chapter's fundraiser earnings to St. Vincent De Paul's – Marshfield.

Fundraising for State Conference – This year's State Conference fundraising efforts may be little different than years past. Our North Central APIC chapter decided to donate a gift basket for this year and Brenda Williams is putting it together.

For all others interested in donating a gift to the State Conference fundraiser, please contact Jeanine Bresnahan with your donation information.

Volunteers – Use of volunteers for the State Conference is steadily decreasing. Now chapters are looking at specifically training individuals for APIC conference duties. This year's volunteers are as follows:

Bags – Brenda Williams

Abstracts – Misty Kleist

Registration –Karen Wiedeman (to be confirmed)

Stuffing folders – Carly Jahns and Jeanine Bresnahan

WEBSITE Go to www.wisconsinapic.org to see our website.

Norma will no longer be with us after this year. Our chapter will need to identify an APIC website representative elect to resume activities beginning in 2011. At the next chapter meeting we would like an update on the website representative's job description.

Lori Klemp has volunteered to be our chapter's new vendor committee representative beginning 2011.

JOINT COMMISSION

Howard Young is expecting a JCAHO survey sometime this year.

State Surveys for LTCF – Open discussion regarding different infection control issues in the long term care settings. CMS has added new standards for LTCF (i.e. antibiotic use logs, antibiograms, infection logs).

WALK IN ITEMS/OPEN FORUM

Ornamental water features/Legionella - Open discussion regarding water features (i.e. water feature risks, cleaning and disinfection protocols, testing for Legionella). The Wisconsin Division of Health recently emailed interim guidelines for water features in hospital settings (see attachment).

NEXT AGENDA AND MEETING

June 4th at Howard Young Health Care – Woodruff

If there are any topics of interest you would like added to the upcoming agenda, please email Terri Dums or Carly Jahns.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1315.