

DATE	3/12/2024	TIME	1:00-3:00pm	LOCATION	MidAmerica Carpenters Regional Council
Greater KC APIC Mission: Together, we are committed to the prevention of infection in all healthcare settings and in the community. National APIC Vision: A safer world through the prevention of infection. National APIC Mission: To advance the science and practice of infection prevention and control Greater KC APIC Chapter Website: https://community.apic.org/greaterkansascity/home Next Meeting Date: April 9th, 2024 Time: 1:00-3:00 Location: Virtual Speaker: Missy Travis, MSN, RN, CIC Topic: Crafting an Effective Infection Prevention Program in 2024					

CALL TO ORDER – Jessica Rindels

- Meeting Started: 1:02
- Jessica Rindels, President-Elect is presiding over the meeting due to President Meredith's Shellner's absence

REVIEW OF MINUTES – Jessica Rindels

- Motion to Approve: Tom Button
- Second: Jan Huffman
- None opposed, no corrections

TREASURER'S REPORT – Tammy Cunningham

- Bank Statements/Dues, etc.
 - Business Checking: \$: \$24,306.39 (increase of \$925 quarterly dues received)
 - Business Savings: \$1.00 (No change)
 - Business CD: \$7091.16 (\$3.09 interest received)
- No changes to savings and checking, financials were sent to corporate and filed

PRESIDENT & CHAIR REPORTS – Meredith Shellner

- Thank you to our strategic partners!
- Directors – more involvement than in previous years, the directors have been appointed to liaison positions for the various committees
 - Sheila Shipley will be creating CIC study questions for each meeting
 - Please see February Meeting Minutes for BOD Directors Appointments
- Attendance is being taken at the end of the business meetings – Attendance at the business meetings is required for financial awards and elected positions – Attendance can be either in-person or virtual
- Volunteer
 - Chapter Vendor Representative – Need 1 more volunteer

- CIC Review/Preparation Coordinator – Need coordinator, Sheila Shipley (Director Liaison) will assist with questions
 - Loretta Fitzgerald will be happy to help coordinate
- Community Outreach Coordinator – Needed
- Social Media Committee (3) – Need 1 more volunteer

2024 EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Casey Semos

- Committee has started to meet monthly for education conference, meeting today (3/12) to pick topics based off the educational needs assessment – Committee will be 3rd week in October on a Friday, lots of volunteers and magnet groups
- If you have any speaker connections, let Casey know!

APIC WEBSITE & PROFILE MECHANICS – Annie Huber

- Annie will send out an email to show everyone how to go into your APIC profile and add your information
- Good way to make sure contact information is updated so you receive emails, connect with other IPs, get involved in the chapter, etc.!

Social Media Committee & Webmaster Updates – Casey Cristini & Jessica Rindels

- Twitter, Instagram, TikTok, LinkedIn, Facebook
- Make sure you follow all the social media pages, like subscribe, add yourself so you can follow along!
- Casey will be posting the membership spotlights on the social media pages

Membership Update – Tiffany Kesinger, BSN, RN, CIC

- New Member
 - Sarah Vaughn, Pittsburg, KS – Welcome Sarah!

Nominating & Awards Committee – Jordan Harvey

- Based on budget approved last month
- Available Financial Awards:
 - New Infection Preventionist Award (3) – New offering!
 - Harriet Mitchell Memorial Award for Local Education Offering
 - Harriett Mitchell Memorial Award for National APIC Conference
 - Leadership Award
 - Board Member Award – President Only
- Please submit applications for national APIC by April 10th!
 - Some other criteria will apply depending on the award for which applicants applied.
 - Have to agree to consent to present on a topic of your choice at the chapter in order to receive the award
 - Aiming for a July presentation, ~15 minutes
 - Criteria and application are two separate documents, if you have trouble, please contact jharvey7@kumc.edu.
 - Will post under Financial Awards on the website as well.

NETWORKING – IP Question and Answer

- Carol Calabrese – Several national partners are offering scholarships in order to go National APIC Conference
 - Don't pay for all of it, but they do pay for some of it, helpful if there is no
 - Homepage of the chapter has links to the scholarships for national APIC
- Carol Calabrese – Will content across the social media platforms be consistent?

- Casey Cristini – yes, and members will be allowed to post on certain social media sites, however if there is something that members would like to have posted by the official chapter, please email her to let her know
- In-Person Raffle! – Carol Calabrese is the winner! – Proud owner of gangrene!
- Online Raffle! – Emily Miller is the winner! Proud owner of hepatitis!

Bylaws – Linda Van Hoecke, RN, BSN, CIC

- No report

Legislative Representative – Julie Richards, MSN, RN, CIC, FAPIC

- No report

PUBLIC HEALTH LIAISON FOR KS – Linda Van Hoecke – RN, BSN, CIC

- Clarification will be provided based on the new CDC guidance for COVID-19 in community settings
- CDC guidance should be followed for all diseases that are not written into the KDHE guidance
- Two free NETEC webinars coming up – New TJC standards for Infection Prevention
- Carol Calabrese – Any updates on TJC getting rid of Sylvia's position?
 - No updates

PUBLIC HEALTH LIAISON FOR MO – Cindy Calendar

- Compared to 2023, 2024 data is lower for COVID both confirmed and probable
- 48 per 100,000 case rate
- Wastewater rates are also declining, previously were very high but now we are just high – downgrade in status
- Tom Button – Did the deaths in the long-term care facilities receive the updated COVID vaccine?
 - Overall low in the state in terms of vaccine compliance, unknown if deaths received the updated COVID vaccine
- Flu is declining overall, seeing more Flu B than Flu A currently, and seeing more flu than COVID
- COVID recommendations for 65 and older – CDC recommending getting another dose of vaccine – a second dose two months after their updated vaccine
- Updated CDC recommendations for COVID isolation – now under the respiratory virus guidance, including flu, RSV, and common cold – 24 hours isolation, fever-free without any medication for at least 24 hours, and improvement in symptoms.
 - 5 days afterwards, should still mask, social distance, individuals should test themselves if you are going to be indoors with others or with immunocompromised individuals. CDC also recommended that air quality should be improved and good respiratory etiquette should be followed
- Tom Button – with the updated guidelines, there is confusion
- Sara Goens – Where is the wastewater testing website?
 - Sewer shed through the DNR, DHSS, and University of Missouri - <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/f7f5492486114da6b5d6fdc07f81aacf>
 - CDC - <https://www.cdc.gov/nwss/rv/COVID19-currentlevels.html>
- Jennifer from Boswell – The updated guidelines from CDC do not affect LTACs or healthcare facilities, correct?
 - No, new guidelines do not affect LTACs or healthcare facilities.

HISTORIAN – Lance Williamson

- No report

OLD BUSINESS – Jessica Rindels

- Refer to Agenda

CELBATIONS/SUNSHINE – Carol Calabrese (Open to all)

- Sunshine – Nothing to Report
 - Kathy Auten was sent a sympathy card – express condolences over the loss of her father
 - Tom Button – Do we send anything else besides a card if someone loses a significant family member, like a plant or flowers?
 - Carol will pose the question to the board so they can discuss.
- Celebrations
 - Carol got her CHESP! Congrats Carol!

MENTORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS – Maggie Reavis

- 4 small groups with 9 mentors and 20 mentees!
- Workflow shadows at TUKHS – email Lance Williamson at lwilliamson4@kumc.edu to coordinate
- 3 chapters that as are engaged as we are: Central Iowa, Minnesota, with mentorship programs. Intended to be a 6-month pilot but a lot of chapters are going to keep going due to engagement and excitement.
- Mentors met to plan what they were going to do with the mentees – Tiffany and all different kinds of backgrounds, meeting at least monthly and doing emails in between to help with day-to-day tasks. Just did a poll to see what the highest risk needs are. Focusing on the top five.
- Casey – established a safe and reliable group, meet every third week of the month but also have open healthy communication which is beneficial – they know that if they have a question, they can always reach out. It has helped to build bonds in the chapter. Lots of communication between email and text messages
- Kathy and Jeanetta – exploring needs of mentees, able to identify topics for discussion and resolution ideas and construction resources were sent out to the mentees
- Membership Spotlight
 - Carol Calabrese, RN, BS, CHESP, CIC
 - IP since 1986
 - Currently running her own consulting service
 - Specialties: Anything related to IP and environmental hygiene, urinary management, blending departments after merger, staffing, long term care, physician practices, etc.
 - Also likes to ride motorcycles!
 - You can find Carol on LinkedIn and email her as well: carolacalabrese11@gmail.com
 - Angela Redman, MSN, CIC
 - IP for 8 years this April, she's been working at University Health for 26 years
 - Specialties: Putting out fires and creating them, CLABSI, VAE, MRSA bacteremia
 - Mom of three boys and a grandma of 5
 - Loves finding local places to enjoy new food and fun
 - Can be found on America's Most Wanted (JK) and angela.redman@uhkc.org
- Maggie will be reaching out to more people for member spotlights!

MEETING ADJOURNMENT – Jessica Rindels

- Adjourned: 3:07 PM

ACTION ITEMS/FOLLOW-UP

- Volunteers still needed:
 - Chapter Vendor Representative
 - Community Outreach Coordinator
 - Social Media Committee – 1 more volunteer
 - Loretta Fitzgerald to help Sheila Shipley with CIC Test Questions
- Annie Huber to send out instructions on how to set up APIC profile
- Social Media links will be sent out with minutes for today's meeting

- If interested in applying for financial aid, please submit applications to Jordan Harvey (jordanharvey@kumc.edu).

LOCAL CHAPTER OFFICERS & NATIONAL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES	
Chapter Officers	President: Meredith Shellner, MSHS, BSN, RN, BA, CIC President Elect: Jessica Rindels, MBA, BSN, RN, CIC, CPHQ Past President: Sylvia Ford, MSN, RN, CIC Secretary: Annie Huber, MPH (1st year of a 2-year term) Treasurer: Tammy Cunningham, MBA, BSN-RN, CIC (2nd year of a 2-year term)
Board of Directors	Leslie Cox, MSN, RN (2nd year of a 2-year term) Angela Redman, BSN, RN, CIC (2nd year of a 2-year term) Shelia Shipley, DNP, RN, CIC, EBP-C (1st year of a 2-year term) Lisa Ray, BSN, RN (1st year of a 2nd year term)
Nominating and Awards Committee	Jordan Harvey, BSN, RN, PCCN (2nd year of a 2-year term – Chairperson) Sheila McCullough Culver MPH, BSN, RN (2nd year of a 2-year term) Casey Semos, MPH, CIC (1st year of a 2-year term) Megan Harbison, BSN, RN (1st year of a 2-year term)
National Committee Representatives	Maggie Reavis: National APIC Professional Development Committee (2022-2024) Sylvia Ford: National APIC Annual Conference Committee (2023-2026)
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• Meeting Minutes • Educational Offering PowerPoint Slides:	