Oklahoma Academy of Physician Associates
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OAPA Special Board Meeting
Sunday, April 7, 2024
6:00 PM via Zoom

Board Members Present: Don Guthrie, Audra Ball, Helga Price, Keith Plummer, Nicole Mason, Sarr Parr, Phil Green, Christy Niehues, Natasha Simonson, Melissa Loftis, Jeff Burke

Board Members Absent: Saura Douglas, Elizabeth DiSalvatore, Jennifer Putnam

Others Present: Susan Thomas, Audrey Poole, Jan Loftis, Gavin Christie, Lisa Liebel, Matt Lathum, Mike Pflughoft, Matt Ball, Sheila Walker

I. Call to Order: 6:00 PM

II. Current Legislative Issue and Topics:

- The APRN bill passed and was sent to the Governor's desk to be signed. The Governor did not sign the bill into law.
- The NPs are working to override the veto.
- The NPs are working on changing some language in their house bill if the veto is not overturned.
- Senator Rosino wants us to have language ready to go for our Senate bill.
- The NPs are very motivated to finish their process.
- We plan on adding language to our SB to reflect what the Governor is wanting.
- If the NPs run another bill the House and Senate want us to run our bills at the same time in each chamber so that they can be heard at the same time.

III. Governance Committee Items

- Keith Plummer resigned from Chair of the Governance Committee. The Governance Committee voted Jeff Burke into the Chair position.
- According to the Bylaws any member of the Governance Committee that is running for a board seat will need to be removed from the Governance Committee, or the Governance Committee can vote to make an exception and keep them on the committee. This is done because the Governance Committee looks through the board and committee applications and decides who will be placed on the ballot.

- **Motion by Phil Green to allow an exception to leave Keith Plummer and Don Guthrie on the Governance Committee per the bylaws; Helga Price seconds. Votes are as followed: Helga Price – Yes, Phil Green – Yes, Melissa Loftis – Yes, Keith Plummer – Abstains, Don Guthrie – Abstains, Sara Parr – No, Nicole Mason – Yes, Jeff Burke – No. Motion passes.**
- **Motion from the Governance Committee to elect Jeff Burke as the new Governance Committee chair as Keith Plummer resigned; Keith Plummer seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.**

Adjourn: 7:22 pm

Motion to adjourn made by Keith Plummer; Don Guthrie seconds. All in favor.