Scientific and Professional Liaison Council
May 22, 2017

Call participants
Katie Davis, PhD
David E. Goodrich, EdD, MS, MA
Jeff Haibach, PhD, MPH
Amy Janke, PhD – Chair
Natalia Loskutova, MD, PhD
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD
Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH

Regrets
Martin D. Cheatle, PhD
Paul B. Jacobsen, PhD
Sara J. Knight, PhD
Julie E. Volkman, PhD

Staff
Mary Dean, Andrew Schmidt

MINUTES

The April 24 SPLC minutes were approved as written.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Janke announced that Miho Tanaka would be stepping down from the SPLC and thanked Dr. Tanaka for her years of service to the council.

Abstract submission for the 2018 Annual Meeting will open in mid-July, and Dr. Janke encouraged the council to reach out to herself and Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin with any questions or requests during the planning process.

LIAISON REPORTS

American College of Lifestyle Medicine
Dr. Janke reported that a call was recently held with ACLM representatives and that SBM has been invited to attend a “partner presentation” during the 2017 Lifestyle Medicine conference. Dr. Janke and Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin will work to identify an SBM leader to participate in the presentation, and will explore co-developing sessions for the 2018 Annual Meeting and 2018 Lifestyle Medicine conference later in the year.
**International Society of Behavioral Medicine**
Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that the next ISBM congress is being held November 14-17, 2018 in Santiago, Chile and that she would share the call for abstracts with the council when it becomes available. ISBM also endorsed last year’s HPV vaccine policy brief, and Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin indicated an opportunity for further collaboration in the policy arena in the future.

**VA**
Dr. Janke reported that a call was recently held that discussed ways in which the SPLC can liaise more effectively with veterans organizations and how SBM can draw additional attention to MVH issues at the Annual Meeting and through health its policy efforts. Dr. Haibach noted that members who are affiliated with government agencies face certain restrictions regarding advocacy and/or policy work, and suggested that SBM could highlight the many members working on MVH issues by formalizing VA as a partner in the Annual Meeting program and elsewhere, similar to the ways other liaison organizations are acknowledged. Dr. Goodrich reported that Team Red, White & Blue has been encouraged to submit an article to the *TBM* special issue on social networks and health outcomes, and may be interested in having SBM researchers evaluate its program. In addition, their research director has expressed interest in attending the Annual Meeting and Dr. Janke raised the possibility of organizing a breakfast roundtable with the organization.

**ACSM**
Dr. Goodrich reported that Dr. Cheatle would be chairing an SBM co-sponsored symposium at the ACSM Annual Meeting in June, and that the session planning committee is currently developing a submission for the 2018 ACSM meeting.

**AAFP/NAPCRG**
Dr. Loskutova reported that she is working to schedule an AAFP/National Research Network (NRN)/SBM meeting during the next NAPCRG annual meeting. Dr. Loskutova has reached out AAFP/NRN leaders to invite them to participate and determine whether the session should repurpose content from the AAFP/SPLC midday meeting on collaborative care at the 2017 Annual Meeting, or consider a topic with a broader scope. The conference is being held in mid-November and Dr. Loskutova will notify the council when a deadline for proposals is announced.

**The Obesity Society and Obesity Week 2017**
Dr. Davis reported that a symposium focusing on physical activity across the lifespan has been proposed for Obesity Week 2017, and an official notice of acceptance should be expected shortly. Dr. Davis also suggested exploring the possibility of cross-liaison collaboration at a future meeting; in particular, developing a session with participants from multiple liaison partners (such as ACSM or VA and TOS) on a topic of mutual interest.

**National Communication Association/American Academy on Communication in Healthcare**
On behalf of Dr. Volkman, who was unable to join the call, Dr. Janke reported that following the webinar shared with SBM members in April, AACH and DocCom will be providing information on their May and June webinars to the membership as well. In addition, Dr. Volkman and a group of SBM members have proposed a symposium on behavior change and health communication best practices for the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare in Baltimore, October 8-11, 2017. Dr. Volkman will also be reaching out to the Health Communication Division of the National Communication Association to develop a relationship with the Division’s newly-elected leadership.
Society for Medical Decision Making
Dr. Waters reported that planning is underway for the symposium submitted by the SBM/SMDM cross-talk committee for the 2017 SMDM Annual Meeting, and that the group would consider a similar proposal for next year’s SBM Annual Meeting. Dr. Janke noted that a strategic discussion for maintaining liaison relationships would be scheduled during the next council meeting.

EBBM, APOS/IPOS/Cochrane Collaboration
Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that she would be working with Dr. Jacobsen and Dr. Ambuj Kumar to identify opportunities for solidifying a relationship between SBM and the Cochrane Collaboration.