Call participants
Catherine (Katie) Davis, PhD
David E. Goodrich, EdD, MS, MA
Paul B. Jacobsen, PhD
Sara J. Knight, PhD
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD - Chair
Miho Tanaka, PhD

Regrets
Jennifer K. Carroll, MD, MPH
Martin D. Cheatle, PhD
Mary A. Driscoll, PhD
Jeanne Erickson, PhD, RN, AOCN (guest)
Julie E. Volkman, PhD (guest)
Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH

Staff
Lindsay Bullock, Andrew Schmidt

MINUTES
The July 27, 2015 SPLC minutes were unanimously approved.

INTRODUCTIONS
Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin welcomed Catherine (Katie) Davis, PhD and Miho Tanaka, PhD as official members of the council.

LIAISON REPORTS

VA and Public Health Law Research Group
Dr. Knight noted that she has been in contact with PHLR director Scott Burris to be part of a debate on e-cigarettes at the next annual meeting, which would highlight the impact of public policy on health behavior. Dr. Knight also indicated that she would work with Mr. Burris on a pre-session to help SBM member’s improve their ability to secure grants from organizations such as the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, of which PHLR is a part.

APOS/IPOS
Dr. Jacobsen reported that last month’s World Congress of Psycho-Oncology had over 900 attendees, and that the call for abstracts for next year’s APOS Annual Meeting had opened. Dr. Jacobsen has also been in contact with Dr. Kristi Graves, chair of the Cancer SIG, about ideas for programming at the upcoming annual meeting.

Cochrane Collaboration
Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that she continues to work together with the Cancer, EBBM, and TTBCI SIGs to organize a pre-session with the Cochrane Collaboration (US Cochrane Center) on network meta-analyses. Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin noted that such a session would be of particular interest to conference attendees due to feedback from the previous annual meeting asking for more programming with a methodologic focus.

Physical Activity/VA
Dr. Goodrich noted that the Health Policy Committee approved a position statement based on a past symposium with ACSM as part of the “exercise is medicine” initiative. The symposium focused on promotion of physical activity in community mental health centers for people with chronic and serious mental illnesses. A joint programming proposal has also been accepted by ACSM for their 2016 meeting.

AAFP (proposed)/NAPCRG
Dr. Carroll was not on the call and her update was deferred to next month’s call.

The Obesity Society and Obesity Week 2016
Dr. Davis reported that a relationship between SBM and TOS has been reestablished after much follow-up. SBM has been accepted as a level-2 sponsoring partner of Obesity Week 2015, and an SBM co-sponsored key lecture entitled “Influences of preschool policies and practices on children’s physical activity” had been accepted for the conference as well.

Informatics and Communications, AMIA
Dr. Tanaka reported that she is reaching out to the editor-in-chief of the Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association (JAMIA) to invite authors of an upcoming special issue to present at the 2016 meeting. The theme of the special issue is health informatics education. She and Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin will schedule a meeting with AMIA, alongside the DHC and the Tech SIG. They will discuss furthering the SBM/AMIA relationship, and showcasing relevant work of JAMIA authors at the annual meeting.

National Communication Association/ International Conference on Communication in Healthcare
On behalf of Julie E. Volkman, PhD, who was unable to make the call, Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that Dr. Volkman has been in contact with the president of the National Communication Association Division of Health Communication, and that the division agreed to share the call for abstracts for the SBM 2016 meeting. Dr. Volkman is also reaching out to the leadership at the International Conference on Communication in Healthcare.

Society for Medical Decision Making
On behalf of Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH, who was unable to make the call, Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that progress is being made on a 1-hour crosstalk session between SBM and SMDM at SMDM’s upcoming annual meeting in October. Work has also begun on a manuscript resulting from a crosstalk
that occurred at previous SBM and SMDM meetings. This manuscript will be written in lieu of additional programming at the next SBM annual meeting.

**Pain**
Dr. Cheatle was not on the call and his update was deferred to next month’s call.