# SOCIETY of BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE

Better Health Through Behavior Change

# Scientific and Professional Liaison Council Call Minutes November 23, 2015

# **Call participants**

Matt Buman, PhD (guest)
Katie Davis, PhD
David E. Goodrich, EdD, MS, MA
Amy Janke, PhD (guest)
Sara J. Knight, PhD
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD - Chair
Miho Tanaka, PhD
Julie E. Volkman, PhD (guest)

#### **Regrets**

Jennifer K. Carroll, MD, MPH Martin D. Cheatle, PhD Jeanne Erickson, PhD, RN, AOCN (guest) Paul B. Jacobsen, PhD Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH

#### Staff

**Andrew Schmidt** 

# **MINUTES**

The October 26, 2015 SPLC minutes were unanimously approved.

# **INTRODUCTIONS**

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin welcomed Matt Buman, PhD as a guest on the call. Dr. Buman is an Assistant Professor in the School of Nutrition and Health Promotion at Arizona State University, is the former cochair of the Physical Activity SIG and a current member of the Civic and Public Engagement Committee. Dr. Buman has been collaborating with Drs. Goodrich, Sheinfeld Gorin and others for a number of years to develop programming for the Annual Meeting and for ACSM conferences.

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin announced that all of the SPLC-co-sponsored submissions to the SBM Annual Meeting were accepted. She congratulated the members of the SPLC for their wonderful work, and thanked them.

# LIAISON REPORTS

**VA and Public Health Law Research Group** 

Dr. Knight reported that PHLR director Scott Burris will be the discussant for a presidential panel on ecigarettes at the upcoming annual meeting, which would highlight the impact of public policy on health behavior. Dr. Knight indicated that she also encouraged Mr. Burris to develop a seminar designed to help SBM members improve their ability to secure grants from PHLR that is funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin thanked her for her multi-year work with the PHLR to help SBM's membership.

# **APOS/IPOS**

Dr. Jacobsen was not on the call and his update was deferred to next month's call.

#### **Cochrane Collaboration**

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that she worked together with Dr. Janke of the EBBM SIG, the Cancer and TTBCI SIGs to organize a pre-conference session with the Cochrane Collaboration (US Cochrane Center) on network meta-analyses. Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin noted that feedback from the previous annual meeting indicated a strong interest in the topic, and that while this session would offer a short introduction to the material, there could be an opportunity for more in-depth training at future meetings.

# **Physical Activity/VA**

Dr. Goodrich reported that two symposia co-sponsored by ACSM had been submitted for the annual meeting, and that a policy brief based on a past co-sponsored symposium had been approved by the Health Policy Committee and is awaiting comment from ACSM.

# The Obesity Society and Obesity Week 2016

Dr. Davis reported that an SBM co-sponsored key lecture was presented at Obesity Week 2015. Dr. Janke noted that she was present at the session and provided an introduction as well as an invitation to the SBM annual meeting, with a particular mention of Dr Martin Binks' symposium. Dr. Davis also reported that National Obesity Care Week had recently launched and that she would coordinate with contacts at TOS to determine how SBM could get involved.

# Informatics and Communications, AMIA

Dr. Tanaka reported that the Technology SIG had indicated they would be willing to provide support to AMIA representatives attending the annual meeting for the co-sponsored symposium and that AMIA expressed interest in exhibiting at the meeting as well. Dr. Tanaka also noted that she participated in the most recent Digital Health Council call on which an initiative was developed to increase industry participation in the annual meeting.

# AAFP (proposed)/NAPCRG

Dr. Carroll was not on the call and her update was deferred to next month's call.

# **Society for Medical Decision Making**

Dr. Waters was not on the call and her update was deferred to next month's call.

# Pain

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

National Communication Association/ International Conference on Communication in Healthcare Dr. Volkman reported that she has been in contact with the president of the National Communication Association Division of Health Communication regarding potential collaboration at future conferences,

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.

# **UPDATES TO SPLC WEB PRESENCE**

Dr. Volkman reported that an initiative is underway with Drs. Knight and Sheinfeld Gorin to update the SPLC's web presence to be more engaging and more representative of all the work being done by Council members. Drs. Volkman and Knight shared a template for council members to complete, including biographical information, research interests and outcomes of their liaison relationships. Members were encouraged to return their submissions to Drs. Volkman, Knight and Sheinfeld Gorin for review before the next call.