

General Membership Meeting  
Palma Ceia Golf and Country Club – Tampa, Florida  
Tuesday, January 14, 2012  
Minutes

Dr. Christopher Bulnes, President, Presiding

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Invocation**

Dr. Terry Buckenheimer gave the invocation.

**III. Welcome and Announcements**

Dr. Bulnes welcomed everyone to meeting and reminded members that National Children's Dental Health Month Posters were available. He also gave an update on the fraudulent ADA membership renewal fax.

**IV. Recognition of Guests/Applicant Members/Exhibitors**

Dr. Bulnes introduced the seven applicants for membership and then asked each table to introduce their guests.

a. Exhibitor Introductions - Dr. Patrick Johnson introduced the participating exhibitors: Dental Services Group, Fifth Third Bank, Biohorizons, Zimmer Dental and TSYS (formerly Vanguard Payment Systems).

b. Update on FPIC/TDC Merger – Rick D'Angelo, FDAS, explained the benefits as a result of the merger between FPIC and The Doctors Company.

**V. Call to Order and Additional Agenda Items**

Dr. Bulnes called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. and asked for additional agenda items. None were given.

**VI. Approval of Agenda**

Motion made to approve the agenda as printed. Motion seconded. **Motion adopted unanimously.**

**VII. Approval of Minutes – November 8, 2011**

Motion made to approve the minutes as printed. Motion seconded. **Motion adopted unanimously.**

**VIII. Reports/Business**

a. 2011-2012 Meetings/Locations/Speakers – Dr. Bulnes reviewed the remaining meetings.

b. Treasurer's Report – Dr. Beatriz Totzke presented the Treasurer's Report as printed.

c. Membership Report – Dr. Craig Oldham presented the membership report as printed.

**IX. New Business**

a. DDOH – Dr. Bulnes said the HCDA has partnered with Pinellas and were getting to Tallahassee via a chartered jet. He asked that anyone interested in attending DDOH to let him know as soon as possible. He shared that the HCDA was covering the cost to send Dr. Matthew Waite and Dr. Alina de la Torre to Dentists' Day on the Hill.

b. Update on the Profession from Organized Dentistry - Dr. Rudy Liddell explained that many issues addressed by the FDA Board of Trustees and House of Delegates is driven by outside forces such as the Pugh and Kellogg Foundation. He gave the example of the Pugh Foundation's state by state grading system (where Florida received an "F") for access to care. He summarized the recent Florida Dental Association's House of Delegates meeting, a few items he mentioned were the Access to Care White Paper, dental hygienists in a public health setting, rejection of the idea of hygienists having their own Medicaid provider number, hygienists administering local anesthesia, a dental representative on the Healthy Kids Board, dental records retention, 3<sup>rd</sup> party request for FDA logo, endorsed ce online tracking, FDA HOD confidentiality measures and the priorities of the 2012 legislative session. He also encouraged members to complete the dental workforce

survey on the license renewal.

c. GKAS/Supplies/Restaurants – Dr. Carr announced the date of GKAS is February 3, 2012 and will take place at the Suncoast Community Health Center in Ruskin. She asked members to donate supplies, volunteer and give Marlinda any contacts of restaurants in south Hillsborough County. She told those who are volunteering that Marlinda will be sending a letter to via email with GKAS details.

d. 2012-2013 Executive Council Nominations – Dr. Bulnes announced the HCDA Nominating Committee has selected Dr. Matthew Waite and Dr. Ron Yarbrough to run for HCDA Executive Council Member. Dr. Bulnes asked for any other nominations from the floor. There being none a motion was made to accept Drs. Waite and Yarbrough as nominees for the incoming HCDA Executive Council Member. Motion seconded. **Motion adopted unanimously**

e. Brandon Outreach Clinic (BOC) – Dr. Craig Oldham said the BOC Dental Clinic is moving forward. He recently with the BOC Board to discuss costs and development.

f. Vote by Ballot – Applicant Members – Ballots were distributed for vote and collected.

**X. Additional Agenda Items**

None.

**Adjournment** - There being no further items the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Dr. Bulnes introduced Doug Buethe, MPT, CSCS and Jeremy Maddox, DPT, MTC, CSCS to present “*Physical Therapy for the TMJ*.”

After the presentation, Dr. Bulnes welcomed Drs. Robin Nguyen, Michael DiPiazza, Marilee Weaver, Drew Hines, Gail McDonald-Chang, Angella Tomlinson, and Cecilia Perera to membership.