

**Dallas County Medical Society  
Board of Directors**

**Meeting of January 7, 2020  
Minutes**

The board of directors of the Dallas County Medical Society met on Tuesday, January 7, at 6:30 p.m. at Park City Club. Kevin W. Klein, MD, DCMS immediate past president and board chair, called the meeting to order.

Members present were Drs. Christine A. Becker, Mark A. Casanova, Donna L. Casey, Samuel J. Chantilis, Shaina M. Drummond, Deborah A. Fuller, Robert D. Gross, Elizabeth Kassanoff, Haskell (Gill) Kirkpatrick, Kevin W. Klein, Archana N. Rao, Lisa L. Swanson, and Viralkumar V. Patel. Also present were Connie J. Webster, DCMS chief operating officer; and Steve Winn, CPA, DCMS chief financial officer.

Dr. Casanova welcomed new board members and presented the DCMS Board Calendar & Events for 2020.

**Administrative Agenda**

**Minutes.** Minutes of the December 2019 meeting were **approved as submitted**.

**Financial Report.** Dr. Chantilis presented the financial report for November 2019. This was **received for filing**.

**DCMS Board of Censors Report.** Dr. Drummond presented the Board of Censors report and the candidates for membership for January 2020. **They were approved as submitted.**

**Overview of Board Duties/Conflict of Interest Form/Member Profiles.** Ms. Webster provided an orientation for new board members regarding the operations of DCMS and the DCMS Foundation. She covered the composition and structure of the board and the tenure and responsibilities of board members. Ms. Webster asked board members to sign the DCMS Conflict of Interest Form.

**Membership Update.** Ms. Webster presented a membership report, which included historical and recent membership trends. **This was received for information.**

**2020 DCMS Initiatives.** Dr. Casanova gave an overview of the current DCMS initiatives. He discussed major issues that will affect the medical society in 2020 and alliances with organizations that will assist in DCMS' advocacy efforts. Issues discussed were the support and integration of the new EVP/CEO into the organization; hosting a Strategic Retreat, and implementing the strategies; increasing member engagement in the reorganized Legislative Affairs/TEXPAC programs; North Texas Alliance for Clinical Resiliency Program; expanding the marketing efforts to DCMS to members and the community; continuing Women in Medicine events; and UTSW resident support

**HealthPAC Appointments.** Dr. Casanova presented a list of nominees for the 2020 HealthPAC board of directors. HealthPAC is the DCMS political action committee that enables member physicians to be involved in races that impact the practice of medicine in Dallas County. The PAC endorses candidates vying for Dallas County judge, Dallas County Commissioners Court, and several judicial posts. Each member serves a 1-year term, and all can be reappointed. Positions are at-large, and the board is limited to seven members. **After a thorough discussion, the board approved the following motion:**

**Action:** **Upon a proper motion and second, the board approved** the list of nominees for the 2020 HealthPAC board of directors.

Deborah A. Fuller, Chair	Justin M. Bishop
Gates B. Colbert	Rebecca L. Euwer, Advisor
David I. Kabel, Advisor	Thomas K. Russell, Advisor
Austin D. Street, Advisor	Kanupriya Vijay

**Appointment of DCMS Foundation Board of Directors.** Dr. Klein presented a list of nominees for the DCMS Foundation board for 2020. The DCMS Foundation annual meeting will be in March. **After a thorough discussion, the board approved the following motion:**

**Action:** Upon a proper motion and second, the board approved the list of nominees for the 2020 DCMS Foundation board:

- Mark A. Casanova, MD, President
- R. Elizabeth Kassanoff, MD, President Elect
- Samuel J. Chantilis, Secretary/Treasurer
- Kevin W. Klein, MD, Chairman of the Board
- Christine A. Becker, MD
- Donna L. Casey, MD
- Shaina M. Drummond, MD, Chair of Board of Censors
- Deborah A. Fuller, MD
- Robert D. Gross, MD)
- Haskell (Gill) Kirkpatrick, MD
- Archana N. Rao, MD
- Lisa L. Swanson, MD
- Viralkumar V. Patel, MD

Ms. Webster reminded board members of the DCMS Installation Dinner on Jan. 16 at the Park City Club and the TMA Winter Leadership meeting on Jan. 24-25.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel J. Chantilis, MD  
DCMS Secretary/Treasurer