

# APIC

**ASSOCIATION FOR PROFESSIONALS  
IN INFECTION CONTROL AND EPIDEMIOLOGY  
Long Island Chapter 38**

**General Meeting Minutes: 05.16.2006**

Agenda items denoted as being on consent are approved en masse with a single motion to expedite issues on which all agree. Any Board Member may transfer any item on the consent agenda to the regular agenda for discussion and consideration. Items on the consent agenda are denoted a ©.

Josie Padrone, President, called the General Meeting to order at 5:00pm Minutes of April meeting were accepted.

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>RESPONSIBILITY</i>
<b>Standing Business:</b>		
<b>A.</b> Chapter Calendar Review & President Board Issues 2006 APIC National Conference	13 members are known to be attending.	
Silent Auction Basket:	D. DeDomenico preparing basic for the conference.	D. DeDomenico
Chapter Legislative Rep meeting:	C. Wilfinger has accepted Legislative Rep position	C. Wilfinger
Photos at Conference for Newsletter:	Conference attendees asked to take photos for the Newsletter.	All
Infection Control Week: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● How can the Chapter publicize themselves?</li> </ul>	Infection Control Week and discussion of how to publicize APIC chapter. Possibilities: Newsday article, distribution of Chapter Fact Sheet, D. DeDomenico to check into Public Relations at her facility; Channel 12 Long Island; D. Caccavale will contact Nursing Spectrum and Nursing Advance; F. Kabitgang will contact Telecare Channel 24. Board members will begin to gather information.	All Board members
<b>B.</b> Treasurer's report:	J. Luchetti reports: Annual budget pledged \$500 for Research Committee at National APIC. J. Luchetti suggested that we decrease this amount to \$250 due to pending expenses for the conference. Board voted unanimously to decrease the donation to \$250 this year. Board discussed resurrecting the Chapter greeting cards to increase fund raising, in addition to the annual conference. National Conference expenses were reviewed Written report submitted.	J. Luchetti
<b>C.</b> 2005-2007 Strategic Plan:	C. Wilfinger	C. Wilfinger
<b>Old and New Business</b>		
<b>A.</b> Vote for President Elect	Ballots collected and will continue for 33 days from the mailing to allow all members adequate time to submit their votes. Preliminary results: B. Kranz received 21 of 23 votes received thus far. Final results	C. Terruso

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	pending.	
<b>B.</b> Chapter Conference	F. Singh needs assistance contacting the vendors. B. Kranz distributed vendor names for Board members to call. Vendors will be provided lunch at the conference. Save the date, postcards will be mailed soon by A. Candela-Genovese.	F. Singh B. Kranz A. Candela-Genovese
<b>C.</b> Newsletter	M. Solliday reports that the Newsletter is almost ready for printing.	M. Solliday
<b>D.</b> Chapter Bylaws	C. Wilfinger not present to report at this time.	C. Wilfinger
<b>E.</b> Membership	103 members as of 2/20/06 and 92 members as of 5/13/06. This is probably reflective of a delay in posting the minutes.	
<b>F.</b> E-mail minutes	Email minutes will be eliminated effective June 2006, and will be available on Chapter website. Members who received minutes by mail will continue to receive them. D. Caccavale will send a global email reminder to all Chapter members to access the minutes on the website.	D. Caccavale
<b>G.</b> Chapter letter to Health Care Administrator, NYSACC	C. Wilfinger is working on the chapter letter.	C. Wilfinger
<b>H.</b> NYSACC Meeting - Jun5and 6	J. Padrone reviewed the NYS DOH request to review element 2 of NY Mandatory Reporting. Board members asked to submit comments to B. Kranz before the next meeting. If interested please fax L. Koppman at (516) 705-2050.	
<b>I.</b> Salary Survey	Board discussed salary surveys on line from APIC and SHEA. M. Andresen did salary survey for the Chapter at last months meeting, results pending.	
<b>J.</b> May 24, 2006 3rd GNHYHA/UHF CLABs initiative.	C. Shannon is presenting at the conference. All hospitals are invited to attend this free conference in Pelham manner.	
<b>K.</b> Meeting location for Fall meeting	N. Barrett discussed other rooms available at Brunswick for the monthly meeting in addition to the Auditorium.	
<b>L.</b> F. Kabigtang	Faye shared her Infection Control newsletter with the Board.	
<b>Committee Reports:</b>		
Acute Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ One case Tularemia in a facility.</li> <li>▶ One case of the mumps and meningococcal</li> </ul>	
Long Term Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ New TB guidelines discussed: discrepancy between CDC recommendations and NYS requirements.</li> <li>▶ GI outbreaks still present at 2 facilities.</li> <li>▶ Focus survey at one facility: UTIs, water pitchers for residents</li> </ul>	

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NYSACC/Government Affairs	See above	
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ GNYHA: Wed May 17 on Strategies for Managing Patient Hygiene in the Health Care Facilities and May 23 on Preventing Sharps Injuries: JCAHO, OSHA and Latest Trends. Also, a conference on After Katrina, Building a better Public Health Care System will take place on 6/9/06 webcast on line at <a href="http://publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/katrina606/index.htm">http://publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/katrina606/index.htm</a>.</li> <li>▶ June speaker pending, possibly the new TB guideline. Sept will be highlights from the National Conference.</li> <li>▶ Oct there will be no meeting since the conference is on that day.</li> </ul>	
2006 Conference	See above.	
Membership	N. Barrett shared the list of chapter fees for members.	
Library	No report.	
Nominating	Pending additional nominees for President-Elect on ballots to be received.	C. Terruso
Marketing and Website	No report	
Newsletter	M. Solliday reports that the Newsletter is almost ready for printing.	M. Solliday
Fundraising	D. DeDomenico	
VI. Public Health Announcements:	.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Nassau County DOH</li> <li>● Suffolk County DOH</li> <li>● NYS DOH</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Suffolk DOH program to recruit for medical personnel.</li> <li>▶ J. Greenko reports for Nassau DOH sporadic influenza and GI virus; pandemic flu planning.</li> <li>▶ NYCDOH one case scabies in the city and viral conjunctivitis.</li> </ul>	
Evening meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Evening meeting will also be held in November, then evaluated for effectiveness.</li> <li>▶ J. Padrone welcomed members from LIJ and Creedmore who were able to attend this evening meeting.</li> </ul>	
Job openings	Director of Infection Control at Mercy Hospital. If interested fax L. Koppman at (516) 705-2050	

**Educational Session: Karen Southwick MD, MSc New York State DOH  
Philip Kurpiel MPH, New York State DOH  
Topic: Legionella Surveillance in NYS**

**General Meeting Minutes: meeting minutes may 2006.**

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**\*\*\*In case of Inclement Weather or Meeting Cancellation, please see Chapter Website or call (631) 632-SNOW for information.**

Meeting adjourned at 7 pm .

**Next Meeting:** June 20, 2006  
Brunswick Hospital Center

Respectfully submitted,

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