## University of Minnesota SPH Alumni Society Board Wednesday, May 20, 2020 | 6:00-7:30pm Quarterly Board Meeting Board Meeting Attendance

## **Board Member Attendance:**

In	Phone/Zoom	Absent	Name
Person			
	Х		Bengtson, Lindsay
	Х		Bitanga, Maria
		Х	Blewett, Lynn
	х		Burns Spaulding, Alicen
	х		Cassman, Jacqueline
	х		Cambronero, Imee
		Х	DeSilva, Malini
	х		Greene, Barbara
	х		Hargens, Liesl
	х		Hexum, Mindy
	х		Kinowski, Jessica
	х		Leppke, Susan
	Х		Meyer, Craig
	Х		Palese, Monica
	х		Pearson, Ron
	Х		Perdue, Laura
	Х		Sales, Rebecca
		Х	Schmitt, Christopher
		Х	Trujillo, Michael
	х		Waldhoff, Steve
	Х		Wick, Karen
	Х		Wortham, Elliott
	X		Wyatt, Susan

## **Ex-Officio Members, Staff & Guest Attendance:**

In	Phone/Zoom	Absent	Name
Person			
	х		Mastrud, Heidi
	х		Pennebecker, Sara
		Х	Finnegan, John
	х		Kowal, Jessica

Agenda Item	Discussion Leader	Notes	Follow-up Action	Who Is Responsible	Target Date
Welcome & Introductions	Karen Wick	Approve minutes from February 19, 2020. Moved, seconded and approved. Jessica Kowal introduction. 13 years philanthropy experience with higher ed and healthcare.			
Staff Updates	Heidi Mastrud & Sara Pennebecker	Heidi – about 80% of campaign goal now. Had set a numerical campaign engagement goal; more aggressive in 2020-2021. Increased messaging re podcasts, webinars, Dean's messages, newsletter. Covid content demand has been very high. Website has been promoting profiles of alumni working in Covid response. Podcast downloads have been extremely successful. Would like volunteers as Social Promoters over the Summer. UMAA is interested in having the Grand Marshall of next year's parade be a Public Health person – let Heidi know if you have ideas. Sara – APEX "applied practice experience" required of all MPH students – lots were cancelled ~50). The Medical Reserve Corp will be deploying students for Covid contact tracing (which will qualify). Also – asking the Board for ideas of alumni to profile who are currently working in COVID.	Respond to Heidi and Sara re requests	All	
Dean's Priorities	Liesl Hargens	February was last meeting. Areas of emphasis – recruitment of new students. PHI – brainstorm on new content, I.D. speakers, trends/what's 'hot', etc. Will check again in the Fall re who would like to ask for volunteers.	Respond to Liesl.	All	

Nominating Committee	Imee Cambronero	Imee - Exec committee slate for next year – Pres. Liesl Hargens, VP Elliot Wortham, Sec. Maria Bitanga, Treas. Susan Leppke; Scholarship – Monica Palese, Mentorship – Alicen Spaulding, Engagement – cochairs Rebecca Sales and Jessica Kinowski, Past Pres. Karen Wick. Liesl – At-large membership Board – 18 applicants for 4 positions – reaching out to them now and will confirm new board members in early June. Watch for an electronic vote on slate of new members. Executive slate was approved by the board.	Watch email for at-large board vote – please respond ASAP when you receive that.	ALL	June 15
Committee Updates	Committee Chairs	Mentoring – Maria – surveyed mentors from last 3 years to address retention; reviewing end of year evals; next year want to I.D. mismatches earlier.  Scholarship & Awards – Monica - 10 scholarships awarded @ \$4K each; nomination process may need to be modified to address PhDs with lots of experience vs. recent MPH grads, etc.; 2020 may be difficult due to economic conditions re Give to the Max.  Engagement – Jessica – Trivia, Learning Webinar completed, remainder delayed due to Covid; good engagement with Student Senate; 75th Anniversary was very successful; Plan to encourage more Board participation at events next year; also looking at collaborative events with other schools.  Opioid Work Group -Continued promotion of student research; subcommittee reviewed submitted work, and 2 students will get \$500 gifts; Research Day was cancelled due to Covid; Started a Linkedin group to exchange ideas/info; Drug Takeback event with college of Pharmacy is hoped for October. The President's Platform may be revamped next year – perhaps merged somehow with Dean's priorities.			
Recognize Outgoing Board Members	Karen Wick	Imee (8 years) Laura (6 years) Susan (6 years) Ron (3 years)			
Executive Session	Karen Wick	None			

Adjourn	Karen Wick	The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.		

