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MINUTES
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
 May 15, 2020
 Virtual Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Sally Goza, MD, FAAP, President
- Lee Beers, MD, FAAP, President-elect
- Kyle Yasuda, MD, FAAP, Immediate Past President
- Mark Del Monte, JD, CEO/Executive Vice President
- Wendy Davis, MD, FAAP, District I Chairperson
- Warren Seigel, MD, FAAP, District II Chairperson and Secretary/Treasurer
- Meg Fisher, MD, FAAP, District III Chairperson
- Michelle Fiscus, MD, FAAP, District IV Chairperson
- Richard H. Tuck, MD, FAAP, District V Chairperson
- Dennis Cooley, MD, FAAP, District VI Chairperson
- Gary Floyd, MD, FAAP, District VII Chairperson
- Martha Middlemist, MD, FAAP, District VIII Chairperson
- Yasuko Fukuda, MD, FAAP, District IX Chairperson
- Lisa Cosgrove, MD, FAAP, District X Chairperson
- Constance Houck, MD, FAAP, At Large Member
- Charles Macias, MD, FAAP, At Large Member
- Joseph Wright, MD, FAAP, At Large Member

AGENDA ITEMS	ISSUES DISCUSSED	ACTION BY WHOM/BY WHEN
	<i>Friday, May 15, 2020</i>	
Call to Order and Introduction of Guests	Dr Goza called the meeting to order at 9:00 am on May 15, 2020	
Statement of Voluntary Disclosure and Member Anti-Harassment Policy	The Board of Directors reviewed the Academy's policy on Conflict of Interest and Voluntary Disclosure. Board members were given an opportunity to disclose any direct or indirect financial interests, or any personal, family, or other relationships that conflict (or could have the appearance of conflicting) with their duties, responsibilities, or exercise of impartial and objective judgment with respect to the meeting's agenda.	Conflicts were appropriately disclosed.
Approval of Minutes from the January 2020 Board Meeting	Minutes from the January 2020 Board Meeting were reviewed and approved as written.	MOTION: Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

<p>AAP President Report <i>(Sally Goza, MD)</i></p>	<p>Dr Goza reported that during the pandemic the Academy has used every tool and technology to move the mission forward and to stay connected with one another -- while at the same time protecting children's health. Dr Goza has heard from many members about the financial hardships the virus lockdowns have put on practices. Dr Goza expressed worry about children at home who have less access to the food, counseling, speech therapy, and other supports they get in school, as well as the effects that social isolation can have on vulnerable children and youth. Between 2007 and 2016, the percentage of children who showed up in hospital emergency rooms for mental health disorders rose 60 percent; visits for self-harm increased 329 percent according to a study just published in the June issue of Pediatrics. The CDC reported that suicide is now the third leading cause of death among adolescents. Given the disturbing trends, the Academy has been focusing intently on mental health and suicide prevention as well as ensuring these interventions reach those at highest risk. At the January Board meeting, AAP launched a strategy to counteract the disturbing media narratives to cast child abuse pediatricians as overzealous medical specialists removing children from parent custody. In March, AAP published a policy statement on Abusive Head Trauma in Infants and Children which provided the media with accurate information. The Academy continues to confront medical, social, and economic inequities. Recently the AAP issued guidance on Responding to the Needs of Youth Involved with the Justice System During the COVID-19 Pandemic. Additionally, the AAP has joined AMA and other health organizations in urging the CDC to collect and publish data on COVID-19 testing, hospitalization and mortality by race and ethnicity. Staff are working with its many partners, including Scholastic Corporation and the Sesame Street Workshop, to relay to families the importance of responding to the 2020 census. Due to COVID-19, field operations were suspended in March and are set to resume in June with the deadline for field data collection and self-response pushed back to October 31.</p>	
<p>AAP CEO/EVP Report <i>(Mark Del Monte, JD)</i></p>	<p>AAP CEO/Executive Vice President, Mr Mark Del Monte reported that the AAP is in Year Three of the strategic plan and is focusing on initiatives such as the equity agenda, the CHILd registry, physician wellness, and the pediatric leadership initiative. Mr Del Monte explained that staff began working from home on March 16 and a return date to the office is currently unknown. Data on outpatient visits by subspecialty were shared and reflected a 62% decline. After years of advocacy from the AAP, Congress reauthorized the Pediatric Subspecialty Loan Repayment Program (PSLRP) for five years through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The AAP's advocacy work has now turned to securing initial funding for the program through the annual appropriations process. The Academy recently led a coalition of 50 organizations requesting \$50 million in funding for PSLRP in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021. Once implemented, PSLRP will provide up to \$35,000 annually for a maximum of three years to pediatric subspecialists who agree to practice in an underserved area. AAP has urged Health and</p>	

	<p>Human Services (HHS) to provide immediate financial relief through no-strings federal grants to all pediatricians and requested two months of average practice expenses to each active pediatrician in the U.S. using the National Provider Identifier registry and taxonomy for pediatricians and pediatric medical and surgical specialists. The need for pediatricians to receive direct funding is known at the highest levels of the White House. Without urgent support, the U.S. childhood vaccine infrastructure will be seriously compromised. Mr Del Monte expressed the need to urgently support the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program, address financial incentives and regulatory barriers, as well as coding barriers. AAP is launching a digital marketing campaign aimed at encouraging parents to call their pediatrician. The campaign will include relatable and humorous content that will get parents' attention and send the message that going to the pediatrician is not only safe, but important to do during the pandemic.</p>	
<p>AAP COVID-19 Response (<i>Anne Edwards MD and Debra Waldron, MD</i>)</p>	<p>As the COVID-19 pandemic evolves, the AAP has been staying abreast of all confirmed developments related to its global spread and will continue to be vigilant in efforts to develop and share information and guidance with members. At the beginning of the pandemic, AAP CEO/Executive Vice President, Mark Del Monte appointed Dr Anne Edwards, Senior Vice President of Primary Care and Subspecialty Pediatrics, and Dr Debra Waldron, Senior Vice President, Healthy Resilient Children, Youth & Families to co-lead the AAP response team. They meet daily with Mark Del Monte, the senior leadership team, and with a small workgroup comprised of staff throughout various areas including advocacy, public affairs, meeting services, and child health. An additional workgroup meets daily to focus exclusively on COVID-19 communication strategies. AAP has developed clinical guidance such as providing well childcare, the use of telemedicine, newborn screening, and breastfeeding and produced webinars such as identifying child abuse and effective coding for telehealth. All information and resources related to COVID-19 are available on AAP.org. AAP launched a #CallYourPediatrician campaign to help get patients back into pediatricians offices and to help make sure children are vaccinated on time. An accompanying toolkit provides downloadable images and videos along with pre-written sample social media posts. AAP continues to urge the President and lawmakers to ensure the stability of the health care system for children by providing necessary financial relief for pediatricians so that practices remain financially solvent and to increase Medicaid funding to ensure children and families can get covered during the crisis.</p>	
<p>Update from Members on the Front Lines (<i>Kimberly Mukerjee, MD, Jennifer Sanderford, MD, Meera Siddharth, MD</i>)</p>	<p>The Board received a virtual panel discussion from three members on the front lines that described the impact of the pandemic on underserved populations and on the financial impact on small primary-care practices. One panelist also was personally impacted by the virus and described her experience.</p>	
<p>CHILD Registry (<i>Judy Dolins, MPH Niles</i>)</p>	<p>Following an October Board decision to release a non-binding request for proposals regarding the CHILD Registry, the Board has now voted to</p>	<p>MOTION: Made, seconded, and unanimously</p>

<p><i>Chandra, Christoph Lehmann, MD, Michael Weiss, DO)</i></p>	<p>approve the development of the CHILD Registry including the allocation of resources for year 1. AAP will now pivot to develop registry specifications, an evaluation plan, an implementation plan and scaling, and a plan for data governance and approach to privacy. The registry could help pediatricians by providing data on poorly understood conditions and long-term impacts on children, relationships between conditions and co-morbidities, and payment.</p>	<p>carried to approve Approve the development of CHILD Registry including the allocation of resources for year 1.</p>
<p>Report out from the Finance and Development Committee and Presentation of the FY20-21 Budget <i>(Martha Middlemist, MD)</i></p>	<p>Auditors described the plan for the upcoming audit which will begin June 30, 2020. The areas of focus will be internal controls, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance and substantive testing of key areas (cash, revenue, publication inventories, etc.). Staff submitted a balanced budget to the Board of Directors for consideration. The budget was designed to be flexible enough to adjust as external circumstances change. Revenue and expense assumptions remain reasonable but not pessimistic. Staff recommend that, pending approval, the Board plan to review the budget toward the end of the first quarter (end of September) and revise as necessary.</p>	<p>MOTION: Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget.</p>
<p>Report out from the Equity Committee <i>(Wendy Davis, MD)</i></p>	<p>Staff have been in early discussions with the AMA Center for Health Equity to explore potential opportunities to collaborate on future resources to address health equity in time of a crisis. The AAP joined with the American Medical Association and five other medical groups (National Medical Association, National Hispanic Medical Association, Association of American Indian Physicians, American Academy of Family Physicians, National Council of Asian Pacific Islander Physicians) to send a letter to Health and Human Services (HHS) about the data collection and public release of COVID-19 testing, hospitalization and mortality by race and ethnicity. The Board Committee on Equity will be convening AAP constituent groups focused on health equity initiatives to discuss leveraging the AAP voice during this pandemic to promote health equity for children and bring attention to disparities impacting underrepresented children and adolescents. Additionally, the committee will be setting a goal and timeline for AAP leadership to mirror the broad racial, ethnic and gender demographics of Board-certified pediatricians. Staff will begin conceptualizing a multi-modal strategy to increase diversity within the pipeline development, particularly in early career stages.</p>	
<p>Report out from the Governance Committee <i>(Sally Goza, MD)</i></p>	<p>The committee reviewed and revised several policies within the Board Policy Manual in order to make them consistent with current procedures. The committee will be recommending approval for a revised term roster for the AAP Council on Children and Disasters Executive Committee to allow a 3-year cycle of staggered member terms. Nominees for new national committee members were discussed.</p>	
<p>Report out from the Member Value and Engagement Committee</p>	<p>The committee reviewed several physician wellness initiatives related to COVID-19 and had a broader conversation about how the AAP can best support member wellness during the pandemic. A collaboration agreement has been signed with the American Academy for Physician Leadership for</p>	

<i>(Lisa Cosgrove, MD)</i>	access to modules for membership, and ultimately, the development of more pediatric- centered modules. Dr Haftel joined the meeting to talk about the development of educational leadership modules and “leadership communities” where attendees can learn from one another and offer support.	
Report out from the Policy Committee <i>(Dennis Cooley, MD)</i>	The Board Committee on Policy has implemented an active monitoring strategy to identify policies approved for development but have not been completed after three years. The committee is analyzing barriers which contribute to writing delays so that solutions can be implemented. At the May meeting, the Board approved a recommendation to affirm guidance on policy statement length of 3200 words. Exceptions may be granted by the Board Committee on Policy, when necessary. Policy development continues on the two topics selected and funded by Friends of Children Fund to address the challenges of potentially multidisciplinary policies. For both topics (1) PANS/PANDAS and (2) Disorders of Sexual Development, cross-departmental staff and member leadership have engaged by phone to discuss the foundations of building the authorship teams including the importance of collaboration, rigorous grading of references, and the proposed timelines. Current chairs of the committees involved are in the process of submitting recommendations of members to comprise the authorship teams. Recommended contributors will have expertise in the topic area, experience in reviewing literature, and a demonstrated ability to act collaboratively and listen to alternative viewpoints. Methodologists are completing the literature review for PANS/PANDAS.	
Report out from the Strategic Planning Committee <i>(Rick Tuck, MD)</i>	After much discussion, the committee has recommended that the Board “pause” the child health and pediatrics initiative process as originally planned. The AAP will continue to prioritize COVID-19 response throughout 2020. Particular emphasis will be given to medium/long term effects on children and families (esp. mental health), and lasting impacts on the health care delivery system (esp practice and financing). The Board will re-address next steps for child health and practice initiative selection with the Board in October 2020. The Committee reviewed the quarter three update for the Strategic Plan Year Three Action Steps for Board and Staff. Since January 2020, the 19 Board approved Friends of Children projects/programs have continued as planned, with minor timeline delays. The Committee will begin planning the board Strategic Planning Retreat on the calendar for September 11-13, 2020	
Voting on the Consent and Non-Consent Calendars	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CONSENT CALENDAR</u></p> <p>1. RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors approve the revisions to the following policies in the AAP Board Policy and Procedures Manual. <i>(Board Committee on Governance)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Endorsement of Programs 	MOTION: Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the consent calendar.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Endorsement of Federal Legislation • Endorsement of External Documents • Equity Committee Charter • Ethics Committee Charter • District Nominating Committees • Council Governance • Committee Governance • AMA Charter <p>2. RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve the revised term roster for the AAP Council on Children and Disasters Executive Committee to allow a 3-year cycle of staggered member terms. (<i>Board Committee on Governance</i>)</p> <p>3. RECOMMENDATION: That the Board approve a one-year extension of the term of a member of the Committee on Fetus and Newborn to allow for improved staggering of member terms. The chairperson is encouraged to consider geographic diversity when selecting the committee member whose term will be extended by one year. (<i>Board Committee on Governance</i>)</p> <p>4. RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors approve the following national committee member reappointments for a new two-year term (<i>Board Committee on Governance</i>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laura Grubb, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Adolescence • Stephenie Wallace, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Adolescence • Janet Lee, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Adolescence • Angelo Giardino, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Child Health Financing • Stephen Pearlman, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Child Health Financing • Linda Parsi, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Coding and Nomenclature • Shesha Katakam, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Coding and Nomenclature • Andrew Stubblefield, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Continuing Medical Education • Carmelita Britton, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Development 	<p>MOTION: Made, seconded, and carried to approve the minutes of the non-consent calendar.</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marilyn Bull, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Development• J. Routt Reigart, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Drugs• Brenda Pring, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Federal Government Affairs• Jason Terk, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Federal Government Affairs• Ivan Hand, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Fetus and Newborn• Ira Adams-Chapman, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Fetus and Newborn• Charles Vinocur, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Hospital Care• Ashley Weedn, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Native American Child Health• C. Wesley Lindsey, MD, FAAP for Committee on Nutrition• Praveen Goday, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Nutrition• Tamara Hannon, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Nutrition• Carina Rodriguez, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric AIDS• Rosemary Olivero, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric AIDS• Jolie Limon, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Education• Sowmya Patil, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Education• Shabana Yusuf, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Education• Lois Lee, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine• Suzan Mazor, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine• Madeline Joseph, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine• Jennifer Marin, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine• Arvind Chandrakantan, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Research• Edward Pont, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Workforce	
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- Nancy Dodson, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Workforce
- Eric Horowitz, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Workforce
- Kristin Ray, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Workforce
- Joseph Jean-Pierre Abularrage, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Practice & Ambulatory Medicine
- Yvette Almendarez, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Practice & Ambulatory Medicine
- Patricia E. Cantrell, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Practice & Ambulatory Medicine
- George Askew, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Psychosocial Aspects of Child & Family Health
- Evelyn Berger-Jenkins, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Psychosocial Aspects of Child & Family Health
- Cindy Christian, MD, FAAP for the Committee on State Government Affairs
- Jacques-Emmanuel Corriveau, MD, FAAP for the Committee on State Government Affairs

5. **RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board approve the nominees for Special Achievements Awards and Awards of Chapter Excellence. *(Board Committee on Member Value & Engagement)*

6. **RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board affirm guidance on policy statement length of 3200 words. Exceptions may be granted by the Board Committee on Policy, when necessary. *(Board Committee on Policy)*

7. **RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board continue to focus on short, medium, and long-term response to the COVID-19 pandemic for the remainder of 2020 and revisit the development of new child health and pediatric practice initiatives at the October meeting of the Board. *(Committee on Strategic Planning)*

NON- CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board approve the dues waivers for the following individuals. *(Board Committee on Member Value & Engagement)*

- Margaret Clarke, MD- 1-year waiver (medical)

MOTION: Made, seconded, and carried to approve

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barry Abrams, MD- Permanent dues waiver (medical) <p>2. RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors approve the following national committee member appointments (<i>Board Committee on Governance</i>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Lantos, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Bioethics • Sandy Chung, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Child Health Financing • Bill Moskowitz, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Child Health Financing • Renee Turchi, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Child Health Financing • Mark Joseph, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Coding and Nomenclature • Philip Verhoef, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Drugs • Jane Carnazzo, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Development • William Sexson, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Development • Toni Richards-Rowley, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Federal Government Affairs • Charleta Guillory, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Fetus and Newborn • Arun Pramanik, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Fetus and Newborn • Nerian Ortiz-Mato, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Hospital Care • Adam Ratner, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Infectious Diseases • Samir Shah, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Infectious Diseases • Kajal Khanna, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Medical Liability and Risk Management • Jonathan Muraskas, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Medical Liability and Risk Management • Andrew Hsi, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Native American Child Health • Julianna Rosebush, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric AIDS • Jessica Snowden, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Pediatric Research • Jennifer Kusma, MD, FAAP for the Committee on State Government Affairs 	<p>the minutes of the non-consent calendar.</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stacey Engster, MD, FAAP for the Committee on Substance Use and Prevention	
The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM CT.		Signature: DeeDee Cada, MA, Senior Advisor to the CEO/EVP