
DNPT E-board Meeting on June 14, 2009

Present: Lanre Jimoh
Steven Ovu
Aishat Mohammed
Shola James (DNPT Ambassador)

1. Opening

Lanre opens the meeting at 9:05 pm and welcomes, Shola, a DNPT Ambassador from Ross University School of Medicine.

2. Previous Meetings

Minutes from the March 2009 meeting have not been received. Yetunde, please send the minutes to the E-board.

3. New Items

a) General: Lanre sent out an email before to meeting containing pictures of proposed design for new DNPT t-shirts.

- Partial proceeds from the sale will to fund a travel allowance for our Nigerian colleagues to attend the ANPA conference in July.
- No major objections about the t-shirt design were raised by anyone present.
- The shirts will be offered in two colors: black and white. Steve will look into whether the shirts can be offered in male and female sizes.
- The shirts will be offered for sale on the DNPT website for approx. \$10 + shipping.

b) Pre-med Liaison: Lanre read statements sent by two members seeking the Pre-med liaison position.

- The two applicants were Alex Adetunji (rising junior from University of Georgia) and Tunde Odukoya (rising junior from Morgan state university).
- E-board members decided to elect Alex as the liaison based on his statement, his rising junior status, and for advancing the missions of DNPT before the position was offered.
- Alex is a current member and sent out an email to the DNPT facebook group in December 2008. We are excited to have him on board.
- Tunde's enthusiasm for DNPT was apparent in his statement and he will be given an opportunity to serve as an ambassador.

c) Nigerian Liaison: Aishat gave an update on the ongoing book drive.

- Currently, over 150 books have been collected and shipped to the ANPA headquarters in California.
- ANPA will provide funds to air freight the books to Nigeria.
- Aishat, Lanre, and Biodun (DNPT ambassador) are currently working with publishing companies such as McGraw-Hill and Elsevier to donate more books.
- We hope to collect about 200 books by the end of next week.

d) Medical Missions: There is an ANPA mission trip to Nigeria in July.

- Nneka, please provide more information about this mission and about DNPT members planning to go on the trip.
- Lanre proposes that the DNPT website could be used more effectively to advertize mission trips. Nneka, please follow up on this.

e) Webmaster/Historian: Steve is updating the DNPT website.

- Please reflect that Babatunde Odukoya (Morgan state University) and Abiodun Otolorin (Eastern Virginia Medical School) are now ambassadors.
- The new ambassadors will be sent a congratulatory email once the website is updated.
- The ambassadors will be working closely with Simi and will have a meeting before July 10th.

f) Membership: Ten graduating DNPT members will become ANPA members through the pipeline program.

- These members will be matched to ANPA mentors by specialty and the state of residency programs before the end of July.

g) Treasury Initiative: Currently, ANPA reimburses most of DNPT expenses.

- Lanre suggests that DNPT start considering ways of funding programs that we would like to initiate in the future.
- During the conference in July, Lanre will try to secure a funding allocation in the ANPA budget for DNPT.
- Other ways of raising funds include commercializing the DNPT website and seeking sponsorships from individuals and/or corporations.

4. Adjournment

- Lanre thanks all participants for their presence and concludes the meeting at 9:40 pm.
- The meeting is adjourned until July 5th at 9:00 pm.