



**Monthly Conference Call Minutes
October 17, 2022
Zoom Meeting**

Attending- Joe Montgomery, Bill Venne, Kay Glaser, L. Kay Allen, Niki Theobold, Karen Johnson and Melissa Headrick.

1. Executive Committee Monthly Call-

Tim could not join today. Karen said there are still bills that have not been paid from the Philadelphia conference, so we do not have an accurate treasury report yet, but an estimate is we have nearly \$10,000.00.

2. 2023 Denver Conference-

The Conference Committee (Karen) has created a logo, she is open to changing if someone wants a different one. The hotel, Embassy Suites Downtown Denver Convention Center, is all set. Members can log on and book a room anytime. They are looking for social networking locations still but added a few tentative link photos to web page. A tour of Dumb Friends Animal Hospital @ CSU Spur is still tentative. Transportation will need to be worked out too as it is five miles away.

Tim is reaching out to a wellness topic keynote speaker for Wednesday or Friday. They changed one panel to a wellness panel, making it a theme for the day. The conference will again have a new-combers session, 5 tracks, table topics, panels and time for an AAVMC Award winner presentation. They are thinking of adding name tag ribbons to identify things like what one wants to talk about, or areas of interest. They are already confirming moderators and speakers.

Tim has almost completed the "ask" for sponsors. We will cast a wide net and see who we can find. Possibly we will give them space for a vendor table in the halls. Hoping to have registration live in January or February. Bill will send a president's message email asking for moderators and turn over lists to update the servers.

3. New Business-

The group decide to create a monthly zoom meeting for all comers and topics. They are looking at the first Wednesday of each month, it will be for open discussions. They probably will not be recorded. First one will be November 2nd. If some want to meet separately on a specific topic, they can plan the meetings separately.

Joe asked if we are interested in a group LINKEDIN page? He thinks it might help with filling positions. He asked if we are having trouble filling positions? Most are local, not at a national level. Tuskegee, being rural and private, has more struggles than most. L. Kay pointed out it may help with speakers and sponsors too. All agreed.

The Ohio State an AAVMC Award presentation on ZOOM on October 27th.

Next meeting: November 21, 2022