Medical Section Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Teams Meeting ID: 296 140 054 782 21 Passcode: CU3aL7dV

Date: June 9, 2026

Time: 2:00 – 3:00 PM ET

1.	Open Meeting				
A.	Welcome			Diana Thompson, President	
B.	Attendance (marked "X" if present)			Jessica Rodgers, Secretary/Treasurer	
X	Will Gibbons, Past President ('26)	X	T. Michael Martin ('28)	X	Alan Jackson ('27)
X	Diana Thompson, President ('27)	X	Deirdre Elder ('26)		Matthew Mille ('27)
X	Rich Harvey, President Elect ('28)	X	Gamal Akabani ('28)		Kyle Underwood ('26)
X	Jessica Rodgers, Secretary/Treasurer ('26)			X	Mike Boyd, HPS Board Director (26')
2.	Old Business				
A.	**Call to Order & Administrative Updates**			Richard Harvey, President – Elect Jessica Rodgers, Secretary/Treasurer	

Members agreed that the current meeting time continues to work well and will tentatively remain unchanged pending input from newly elected board members.

- Discussion regarding meeting scheduling responsibilities after board transitions. The incoming Secretary/Treasurer and President-Elect will determine future logistics.

B.	**NRC Rulemaking and MHPS Comments**	Diana Thompson, President

Standard General License (SGL) Proposal

- Diana Thompson provided an update on MHPS comments related to NRC proposed rule changes.
- Discussion focused on:
  - Inclusion of molybdenum/technetium generators under a Standard General License.
  - The need for documented safety and technical justification supporting the proposed changes.
  - Concerns regarding approval of Authorized Users (AUs) and Radiation Safety Officers (RSOs) under the proposed framework.
  - Recommendation that RSO designation requirements be explicitly included in the regulations rather than only addressed through guidance.

ACMUI Update

- Richard Harvey reported that similar concerns were raised during recent ACMUI discussions.
- Key topics included:
  - Moly-Tech or Mo-99/Tc-99m Generator licensing changes.
  - AU and RSO training and experience verification.
  - Potential gaps in oversight if individuals' self-designate qualifications under a general license framework.

Action Item

- Diana Thompson will distribute draft comments to the Board for final review before submission.

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C.	**Website Updates and Meeting Minutes**	ALL

- The Board revisited the long-standing action item of posting MHPS meeting minutes on the section website.
- Diana Thompson confirmed that website access remains available.
- The group agreed to:
  - Upload historical meeting minutes.
  - Develop a simple written procedure for website updates.
  - Expand website access to future leadership positions, including the President and Secretary.
- Discussion also included the possibility of opening one board meeting per quarter to Medical Section members for transparency and engagement.

D.	Outstanding Action items	Diana Thompson, President

1. From 2/10/26 meeting:
   Task Group Document Feedback: Send the task group document to Kimyli and her group for alignment and feedback, then forward consolidated comments (including the recommendation to move Section 9 to the front with an executive summary) back to the original authors as a strong group recommendation.
   - Confirmed completed.
   - Feedback was submitted and requested revisions were incorporated.
2. Meeting set for 4/28
   Fluoroscopy Shielding Bill Response: Create a draft of a one-page infographic or bullet-point summary (using AI as a first draft) outlining the group's position on fluoroscopy shielding device legislation, circulate it for internal review, and coordinate with AAPM and other stakeholders for harmonized communication.
   - Emily McCaffrey authored an article addressing the issue.
   - The Board agreed that the immediate need has passed but discussed posting the article or related information on the MHPS website as a resource.
3. Mentorship list & program for MHP section members
   Anna Leonovich reached out to Michael Martin with a list of people who are interested in learning more about “HPS mentorship program”
   - Discussion centered on a list of members requesting mentors that had been forwarded to the section.
   - Clarification is needed regarding MHPS responsibilities and how the Society’s Mentor Loop platform is intended to be used.
   - Mike Boyd provided background on the HPS mentorship software and program.
   - Members discussed ideas for increasing engagement, including virtual networking or “speed mentoring” sessions.

   Action Item
   - Diana emailed Brian Serencsits and the HPS Mentorship Committee to clarify expectations and next steps for MHPS participation. Brain confirmed he has it handled.
4. **Section Awards**
   - The Board revisited the idea of creating a Medical Section-specific award.

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- Existing HPS awards do not appear to align well with some of the recognition goals discussed by the section.
- Members agreed that additional discussion is needed to define criteria and timing.

Action Item

- Continue development of a proposal for a Medical Section award and revisit before next award nomination cycle.

5. **Radiation Safety Week Video Contest**
   - Update provided that the previous initiative did not gain sufficient participation due to timing.
   - Members expressed interest in revisiting the concept if given more advance planning time.

   Action Item
   - Follow up with Andrew and Society leadership regarding plans for future Radiation Safety Week outreach activities.

3.	New Business	
A.	**HPS Annual Meeting Planning**	Diana Thompson, President

1. Early Career Engagement

- Deirdre Elder reported that an Early Career Professionals Breakfast will be held during the Annual Meeting to support networking and engagement.
- Members discussed additional opportunities to connect early-career professionals with experienced medical health physicists.

2. Section Coins and Recognition Items

- Will Gibbons currently has the Medical Section challenge coins and name tags.
- Richard Harvey volunteered to receive and transport the coins & section tags for the Annual Meeting.
- Coins will be distributed to speakers and contributors as previously planned.

Action Item

- Will Gibbons ship challenge coins and materials to Richard Harvey prior to the Annual Meeting.

3.	Other Business - ALL

Board Transitions:

- Several outgoing board members announced this would be their final MHPS board meeting:
  - Will Gibbons
  - Deirdre Elder
  - Mike Boyd
- The Board expressed appreciation for their service and contributions.
- Mike Boyd noted he will be replaced as Director liaison by Bill Irwin.

5.	Close	
A.	Adjourned at 03:02 pm ET Next Meeting: July 9th, 2026 11:15 AM ET	Diana Thompson, President

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Medical Section business meeting is currently scheduled from 11:15 AM to 12:00 PM on Thursday

6. Action Items

Action Item	Responsible Party	Deadline
Add minutes to website	D. Thompson; J. Rodgers; R. Harvey	6/11
HPS Annual Meeting Planning Will Gibbons ship challenge coins and materials to Richard Harvey prior to the Annual Meeting.	W. Gibbons, R. Harvey	Before annual meeting
NRC Rulemaking and MHPS Comments Diana Thompson will distribute draft comments to the Board for final review before submission.	D. Thompson	ASAP
Proposed Bylaws Updates: membership voting ends 6/12. J. Rodgers will email results.	J. Rodgers	After annual meeting
Section Award Creation: Review authority and procedures for creating a section-specific award and, if permissible, draft a proposal for its implementation. Sabin Award	D. Thompson	September 2027
Rad Safety Week Video Contest: Contact Andrew to discuss restarting the Rad Safety Week video contest, clarify timeline, and coordinate advertising and logistics for submissions.	J. Rodgers	August 2027