



# FLORIDA SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS

Affiliate of the American Association of Medical Assistants

3 **Florida Society of Medical Assistants**  
4 **Executive Council Meeting**  
5 **Hilton Garden Inn SeaWorld, Orlando, FL**  
6 **May 5, 2017**  
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8 The Executive Council Meeting of the Florida Society of Medical Assistants was called to  
9 order at 2:18 pm by Maria Wiegelmann, CMA (AAMA), May 5, 2017 at the Hilton Garden Inn  
10 SeaWorld, Orlando, FL. The roll call was taken by Gayle Bell, CMA (AAMA), Secretary.

## 11 **ROLL CALL**

### 12 **OFFICERS**

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16	President	Maria Wiegelmann, CMA (AAMA)	Present
17	Vice President	Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA)	Present
18	Secretary	Gayle Bell, CMA (AAMA)	Present
19	Treasurer	Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA)	Present
20	Speaker of the G.A.	Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA)	Present
21	Vice Speaker of the G.A.	Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA)	Present
22	Immediate Past President	Kathryn Panagiotacos, CMA (AAMA)	Excused

### 23 **CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES**

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26	Brevard	Jeanette Smith, CMA (AAMA)	Excused
27	Central Gulf Coast	Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA)	Present
28	Central Florida	Maria Wiegelmann, CMA (AAMA)	Present
29	Mid-Gulf	Debra K. Hancock, CMA (AAMA)	Absent
30	North Florida	Gayle Bell, CMA (AAMA)	Present
31	Southeast	Joyce Baldwin, CMA (AAMA)	Excused
32	South West	Deniece Jozefiak, CMA (AAMA)	Excused
33	Treasure Coast	Theresa Errante- Parrino, CMA (AAMA)	Present

### 34 **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

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37	Budget/Finance	Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA)	Present
38	Bylaws/	Carol Francis, CMA (AAMA)	Excused
39	Policy and Procedures		
40	Continuing Education	Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA)	Present
41	Co-Chair – Orlando	Mary Hill, CMA (AAMA)	Excused

42	Marketing/	Betty Springer, CMA-C (AAMA)	Present
43	Community Outreach		
44	Meeting Coordinator	Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA)	Present
45	Membership/Certification	Christine Petsalis Giri, CMA (AAMA)	Present
46	Nominating	Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA)	Present

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**Physician Liaison**

49	Joel Martin, MD		Absent
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**Seating of the Proxies**

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53 The Brevard County Chapter wishes to seat Kathleen Quinn, CMA (AAMA), as a proxy for  
 54 Jeanette Smith, CMA (AAMA). The Southeast Chapter wishes to seat Barbara Kalfin-Kalish,  
 55 CMA (AAMA) for Joyce Baldwin, CMA (AAMA). The South West Chapter wishes to seat Ruth  
 56 Lapio, CMA (AAMA) for Deniece Jozefiak CMA (AAMA). Marsha Benedict CMA-A (AAMA)  
 57 moved to seat the proxies. Judy Seymour CMA (AAMA) seconded.

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59 **MOTION CARRIED.** The proxies were seated.

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61 A quorum was present with the voting power of thirteen (13) and a majority vote of seven (7).

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**MINUTES**

64 The minutes of the November 5, 2016 Executive Council meeting were posted online on the  
 65 website. There being no corrections minutes are approved as posted.

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**FSMA OFFICER REPORTS**

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69	President	Maria Wiegelmann, CMA (AAMA)	on file
70	Vice President	Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA)	on file
71	Secretary	Gayle Bell, CMA (AAMA)	on file
72	Treasurer	Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA)	on file
73	<b>Checking; \$ 24,574.45</b>	<b>Savings: \$22,380.54</b>	<b>Total: \$46,954.99</b>
74	Speaker of the G.A.	Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA)	on file
75	Vice Speaker of the G.A.	Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA)	on file
76	Immediate Past President	Kathryn Panagiotacos, CMA (AAMA)	on file

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**CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS**

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86	South West	Deniece Jozefiak, CMA (AAMA)	on file

87 Treasure Coast Theresa Errante- Parrino, CMA (AAMA) on file

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89 **COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS**

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91 Budget/Finance Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA) on file

92 Bylaws/ Carol Francis, CMA (AAMA) on file

93 Policy and Procedures

94 The revised Chapter Representative information in the General Assembly packet was  
95 referred back to chair Carol Francis for revision. The page is to be retitled Chapter  
96 President with information added as to the role of the proxy for the Chapter President.

97 Continuing Education Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA) on file

98 Marketing/ Betty Springer, CMA-C (AAMA) on file

99 Community Outreach

100 Meeting Coordinator Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA) on file

101 Membership/Certification Christine Petsalis Giri, CMA (AAMA) on file

102 We currently have 901 members; 637 active members, and 132 student members.

103 Members added in the last six months 162.

104 Nominating Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA) on file

105 Error to proposed ballot shows term 2017-2017 and should be 2017-2018. Positions of  
106 the Vice President and the Speaker of the General Assembly are still open.

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108 **Correspondence:**

- 109 • Email from Julie Flaatten, CMA (AAMA), RN, EMT, AAMA President with AAMA  
110 response to 2016 House of Delegates regarding the motion on MAERB

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112 **Due to time constraint the following two items were deferred to the Post General**  
113 **Assembly Executive Council Meeting.**

- 114 • Email from Kathy Langley at AAMA – does FSMA want to make a contribution to the  
115 Education sessions at the 2017 Annual Conference
- 116 • Email from Kathy Langley at AAMA – does FSMA want Florida to be considered for  
117 the 2020 AAMA Annual Conference

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119 **Old Business:**

120 none

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122 **Unfinished business:**

123 Florida Medical Assistant Scope of Practice initiative – Legislative Task Force formed.

124 Betty Springer reported on talking points: 1) Medical assistants need to be certified.

125 Other pathway certification titles were emailed to executive members. 2) Differing program  
126 standards; AS degree, technical diploma program, Earn and Learn Florida State grant  
127 program. 3) Supervision for medical assistants to include PAs and NPs.

128 We will be reaching out to educators and those in the industry. A possible meeting will be  
129 held May 19<sup>th</sup> to which CAAHEP program directors will be invited. Currently there are  
130 fifteen Medical Assisting programs accredited by CAAHEP in Florida.

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132 **Due to time constraint new business was deferred to the Post General Assembly**  
133 **Executive Council Meeting.**  
134 **New business:** Honoring the memory of David Knight, AAMA Director of Membership and  
135 Continuing Education.  
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137 **Reminders:**  
138 Email Mary Lou a listing of your meetings and seminars so that they can be listed on the  
139 Events page of our website and in the eBlasts that Betty sends out.  
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141 Meeting adjourned by President Maria Wiegmann, CMA (AAMA) at 3:00 pm.  
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143 Respectfully submitted:  
144 Gayle Bell CMA (AAMA)  
145 FSMA Secretary