FLORIDA SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS

Affiliate of the American Association of Medical Assistants

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TO: Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA), President

Executive Council

FROM: Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA)

RE: Delegate to AAMA Report

The AAMA 61st Annual Meeting was held at the Hilton Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio. As a Delegate I attended all the meetings concerning the Business of the AAMA House of Delegates.

At the orientation of Delegates and Alternates we learned to use the electronic voting machines, received an update and booklet regarding Parliamentary Procedure.

At the State Leaders meeting information was presented by the leadership committee with ideas for developing leaders. The second part of this meeting was presented by Donald Balasa and the AAMA Attorney about the Treasuries of the State Societies and the Chapters having excess amounts of reserves of funds and not spending it for the members. They said State Treasuries should only have 2 years of funds in the bank more if they are saving it for a specific project. FSMA is safe with this amount in our Treasury.

Of note during the House of Delegates (HOD) the following transpired:

- The HOD met as a Committee of the Whole on the subject of MAERB. It was explained in detail the hierarchy of CAAHEP and MAERB and the Sponsorship of MAERB by other organizations. At the end of this meeting, the MAERB remains an Autonomous Board with AAMA as a Sponsor and rents space in the AAMA office. The CAAHEP and MAERB noted the voiced concerns of the HOD and said they would keep these concerns in mind as they proceed to the future.
- The Continuing Education Board (CEB) announced that the Assessment-Based Certificate in Geriatrics (ABD-G) is now available for purchase.
- The Certifying Board (CB) announced that Excelsior College in New York (has distance learning) has approved 26 semester hours for the CMA (AAMA) toward several undergraduate and select graduate health sciences degrees.
- The Proposed Bylaw change regarding Student Members was Approved.
- The BOT announced the Recruit 5 initiative through January 31, 2018, any member who recruits five new active members to the AAMA will have their annual dues paid. This applies to online enrollments only.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve FSMA at the AAMA Annual Meeting.