# FLORIDA SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS 64<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY Hilton Garden Inn-SeaWorld 6850 Westwood Blvd., Orlando, Fl 32821

Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA)	Speaker of the House
Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA)	Vice Speaker of the House
Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA)	Nominating Chair
Kathleen Quinn, CMA (AAMA)	Parliamentary Advisor
Jan Kaplan, CMA-A (AAMA)	Credentials Chair
Marsha Benedict, CMA-A(AAMA)	Reference Committee Chair
Tamara Bruno, CMA (AAMA)	Sergeant-At-Arms
Christine Giri, CMA (AAMA)	Minutes Chair

# CALL TO ORDER

The 64th Annual Meeting of the Florida Society of Medical Assistants was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

# **OPENING CEREMONIES**

The colors were presented by Major Roger Schwartz and the VFW Post 4287 of Orlando, Florida. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Major Roger Schwartz . The National Anthem was sung by everyone.

President Wiegelmann introduced Marsha Benedict, CMA-C (AAMA) for the invocation

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Speaker of the General Assembly was introduced by Maria Wiegelmann, CMA (AAMA).

#### PAST FSMA PRESIDENTS

1982	Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA), 1992 AAMA President &
	Life Member
2007	Christine Giri, CMA (AAMA)
2008	Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA)
2009	Theresa Errante-Parrino, CMA (AAMA)
2011	Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA)
2012	Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA) CCRC
2015	Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA)

### Past AAMA Presidents were present

1993 Janice Kaplan, CMA-A (AAMA) & Life member

2011 Betty Springer CMA-C (AAMA)

The speaker introduced President Elect -Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA) CCRC. Judy welcomed everyone including the students from Indian River State College and thrilled to see everyone.

Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA)-Meeting Coordinator thanked all for coming.

Daytona Beach is the next conference which is in the Fall . Look for details on the website.

Debby Houston CMA (AAMA) was introduced as our AAMA representative. She currently serves on the AAMA Board of Trustees,

# **Report of the Credentials Committee:**

Janice Kaplan, CMA-A (AAMA), chair of the Credentials Committee, presented her report. Total voting power of the General Assembly is 17. A majority vote was determined to be 9, and a two-thirds vote was 12.

# **Approval of the General Assembly Agenda:**

The Speaker entertained a motion to accept the General Assembly agenda as printed in the General Assembly Packet.

Janice Kaplan, CMA-A (AAMA) made a motion to accept the agenda with one education correction. The motion was seconded by Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA). No discussion, motion carried.

# Approval of the agenda

Janice Kaplan, CMA-A (AAMA) moved to approve the agenda as accepted Seconded by Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA) and passed by the membership

The speaker noted that the orientation review was completed at the reference committee. The students from Indian River State College volunteered as tellers and pages to the General Assembly.

# Selection of Pages:

Angela Craddock, Deb Kuiack, Shelby Harrison, and Skye Stroud

# <u>Tellers – Pam Giannone, CMA (AAMA)</u>

Blain Slatton, Shelby Burroughs, Grace Rollando, and Erin Smith

# REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The speaker called for the report of the Nominating Committee.

Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA), chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the following candidates for 2017-18:

President Judy Seymour CMA (AAMA)

Vice President

Secretary Mary Morris CMA (AAMA)

Treasurer Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA)

Speaker

Vice Speaker Kathryn Panagiotacos, CMA (AAMA)

The following names were presented as proposed Delegates/Alternates to the AAMA Conference:

Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA)

Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA)

Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA)

Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA), CCRC

# The Speaker opened the floor for nominations of officers for 2017-18.

For the office of:

President-no nominations office closedVice President-no nominations office closedSecretary-no nominations office closedTreasurer-no nominations office closed

Speaker of the General Assembly-

Ruth Lapio, CMA (AAMA) nominated Pat Allen, CMA (AAMA) for Speaker of the

General Assembly.

*Vice Speaker of the House*- no nominations office closed

### The Speaker opened the floor for nominations for delegates

Theresa Errante -Parrino, CMA (AAMA) nominates Barbara Kalfin, CMA (AAMA) for delegate.

Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA) nominates Christine Giri, CMA(AAMA) for delegate.

Motion made by Janice Kaplan,CMA-A(AAMA) to approve the slate of officers by acclamation. Theresa Errante-Parrino, CMA(AAMA) seconded the motion and passed by the membership.

# **2017 -18 Elected Officers**

Judy Seymour, CMA (AAMA), CCRC

Mary Morris, CMA (AAMA)

Mary Lou Allison, CMA-C (AAMA)

Patricia Allen, CMA (AAMA)

Kathryn Panagiotacos, CMA (AAMA)

Vice Speaker

### The Speaker called for the Tellers report:

Elected Delegates to the AAMA Conference:

- 1-Mary Morris CMA (AAMA)
- 2-Judy Seymour CMA (AAMA),CCRC
- 3-Marsha Benedict CMA-A AAMA
- 4-Mary Lou Allison CMA-C (AAMA)

#### Elected Alternates to the AAMA Conference:

- 1- Barbara Kalfin CMA, (AAMA)
- 2- Christine Giri CMA, CMA (AAMA)

#### Reference Committee Report

Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA)

The reference committee met on May 5,2017, at 3:05 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn with 26 members present. The reference committee recommends that the reports of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Speaker of the General Assembly, Vice Speaker of General Assembly, and the Immediate Past President be accepted as printed in the General Assembly packet. Recommendation adopted.

The reference committee recommends that the reports from Brevard County Chapter, Central Florida Chapter, Central Gulf Chapter, Mid-Gulf Chapter, North Florida Chapter, Southeast Chapter, Southwest Chapter, and the Treasure Coast Chapter to be accepted as printed in the General Assembly Packet. Recommendation adopted.

The reference committee recommends that the reports from the Chairs of the Budget and Finance, Bylaws/policy & procedure, Continuing Education, Communication and Community Outreach, Meeting Coordinator, and Nominating Committee Chair be accepted as printed in the General Assembly packet. Recommendation adopted.

The Reference Committee recommends that ArticleVI - Executive Council and Their qualifications:

#### Section 3 read as follows:

The members and Officers of the Executive Council shall be active members. Officers shall have paid dues in full as of December 31, of the year preceding the General Assembly. Officers shall have previously served as an FSMA Committee Chair and/or Chapter officer.

# That new Section 4 be added and read as follows:

The Vice President shall automatically succeed to the office of President at the end of the term as Vice President. That current sections 4 and 5 be renumbered 5 and 6.

#### New Business

There was no new business to be brought before the General Assembly. The Speaker thanks President Wiegelmann for all she's done to keep everyone organized. The Speaker, on behalf of FSMA, thanks Marsha Benedict, CMA-A (AAMA) and her committee who had worked very hard putting the meeting together.

# **Announcements**

- Country store opens at 7:00 a.m.
- Breakfast 7:00 7:45 a.m. with education beginning at 7:45 a.m.

Adjournment 5:30 p.m. Submitted by Christine Giri, CMA (AAMA)