FLORIDA SOCIETY OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS

Affiliate of the American Association of Medical Assistants

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To: Maria Wiegelmann, CMA (AAMA), FSMA President
Executive Council Members

From: Debra Hancock, CMA (AAMA) President Mid-Gulf Coast Chapter

Our Chapter has been meeting regularly on a monthly or semi-monthly basis according to the AAMA guidelines with the exception of holidays.

We held our Winter Seminar last February 20th with 6 CEU's which was held at MTC Lakewood Ranch Campus at the Health Occupations Building. We had an excellent turn out along with very interesting speakers. We raised money for our chapter through the seminar charge of $25 per person and a raffle for donated gifts.

Our next meeting was held on April 2nd at the Meridian College campus, second floor. We gave 2 CEU's and had excellent attendance.

On May 14th we had our last meeting for the 2015-2016 year at the Meridian College campus. We had 3 CEU's for that meeting We had speakers from the State of Florida Public Health Division and a local representative from the Rape Crisis Center in Sarasota, Florida. Our last speaker gave an interesting talk on strategic initiatives and goals for success for Medical Assistants.

We had an election of officers where Debra Hancock our former Vice President took the President's position and Jennifer Shepherd our previous Secretary took the Vice President position. We had no volunteers for the other open positions and put a call out to the membership on the critical need of leadership in our organization. We had a volunteer step forward for the Treasurer position and were pleased to have her come on board. We still have two positions that are yet to be filled, Secretary and Marketing Chair. We hope to have those filled soon. In the meantime, Ann Rouseau Morris has graciously offered to assist when possible in the Marketing area of updating the website and sending emails to members.

We set a tentative schedule for meetings for our 2016-2017 year as follows:

September 13th, 2016
October 18th, 2016
December 3rd, 2016
February 25th, 2017

May 13th, 2017

We are striving to help our members attain CEU's and encourage our members to grow and network in their profession and to be a vital part of the community. We continue to work together and support our chapter activities.