Session I – Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016

1.0 Call to Order
The meeting was convened by APHA President, Camara Jones, MD, PhD, MPH, at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016 at the Colorado Convention Center, Denver, Colorado. Speaker of the Council Barbara Giloth, DrPH, MPH, presided, and Greg Ullrich, JD, served as parliamentarian.

2.0 Quorum Call
The roll call of Governing Councilors was taken at the time of registration. The Secretary of the Council proclaimed that a quorum was present.

3.0 Approval of the Agenda
The agenda was approved as presented.

4.0 Approval of the Governing Council meeting minutes from November 2015, and approval of the Governing Council meeting minutes from June 2016.

Speaker Giloth explained that due to a technical issue in advance of the mid-year meeting, some Councilors could not review the minutes from the November 2015 meeting. She said the issue has been resolved, and Councilors have had the opportunity to review. She then called for a motion to approve the Governing Council Meeting minutes from November 2015.

Approval of the Governing Council Meeting Minutes from November 2015

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Speaker Giloth then called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2016 mid-year Governing Council meeting.
Approval of the June 2016 Mid-Year Governing Council Meeting Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes of the June 2016 mid-year Governing Council meeting.

Outcome: Approved by acclamation.

5.0 Report of the Nominations Committee
The report of the Nominations Committee was included in the Governing Council Meeting materials.

Howard Spivak, MD, chair, briefly explained the Nominations Committee’s process for 2016. He noted the Committee worked extremely hard to identify new faces and encourage younger APHA members to run for elected office. He said the Committee identified two individuals to run for APHA president-elect, one person to run for APHA treasurer, and seven candidates to run for four open positions on the Executive Board. He said the individual receiving the fourth highest vote percentage will fill the remaining term of a vacant position on the Executive Board.

The following nominees were selected by the Nominations Committee for president-elect:

- Pamela Aaltonen, PhD, RN (PHN – IN)
- Joseph Telfair, DrPH, MSW, MPH (MCH - GA)

The following individual was selected by the Nominations Committee for treasurer:

- Benjamin Hernandez, MBA (HA – TX)

The following nominees were selected to run for four open Executive Board positions with their term expiring in 2020 (one individual’s term will expire in 2019):

- Chris Chanyasulkit, PhD, MPH (MCH – MA)
- William Courtney, DVM, MPH, MA (Veterinary SPIG – TX)
- Betty Daniels, PhD, RN (PHN – GA)
- James Leeper, PhD, MS (STAT - AL)
- André G. Stanley, MPH (ATOD – MD)
- H. Eduardo Velasco, MD, MSc, PhD (EPI – CA)
- Junling Wang, PhD (APH – TN)

The following individuals were selected as nominees for the positions of honorary vice president for Latin America and the Caribbean, Canada and the United States. Their term expires in 2017:

- C. Alcides Ochoa, PhD, MPH – Vice President for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Ardene Robinson Vollman, PhD, RN – Vice President for Canada
- Howard Koh, MD – Vice President for the United States

Article V, Section 7(C) of the Bylaws provides that:
“Upon petition of any twenty voting members of the Governing Council submitted to the APHA office no less than 40 days prior to the Annual Meeting, the Nominations Committee shall add to the list of candidates selected by it the name of any eligible candidate for the office specified in
the petition, providing the petition is found to be valid by the Committee. The Committee’s report, including all the nominees for each of the offices, shall be presented immediately following the approval of the minutes at the first session of the Governing Council held at the Annual Meeting.”

No petitions for additional nominees were received.

6.0 **Candidates Forum**

Howard Spivak, MD, chair of the Nominations Committee, moderated the 2016 candidates’ forum.

Each candidate delivered a brief opening statement followed by a period of questions and answers. Questions were submitted by Governing Councilors in advance of the Annual Meeting.

At the conclusion of the candidates’ forum, Speaker Giloth made a series of housekeeping announcements related to the meeting. At the conclusion of her remarks she introduced APHA Executive Director Georges Benjamin to deliver his annual report to the Governing Council.

7.0 **Report of the Executive Director**

Dr. Benjamin began his presentation by welcoming Governing Councilors to Denver and discussing the 2016 Annual Meeting theme “The Right to Health.” He said 11,064 individuals registered to attend the Annual Meeting, and that the Association sold 527 exhibit booths. He then outlined a new product called APHA Live, where APHA will live stream 12 hours of programming for a fee to those unable to attend the Annual Meeting.

He then discussed the Opening General Session, noting keynote speakers Cecile Richards, the President of Planned Parenthood, and Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper. He then discussed the Monday afternoon General Session featuring both the current and some of the former directors of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Dr. Benjamin then discussed the Closing General Session entitled “Achieving Health Equity: A Leaders Discussion,” featuring the Presidents of APHA, Dr. Camara Jones and ASTHO, and the incoming president of NACCHO. He said the Closing General Session would be moderated by APHA President-Elect, Tom Quade.

Dr. Benjamin then discussed the Annual Meeting app; the new and improved wellness center; APHA’s signing and adhering to the Healthy Food Pledge; the APHA Awards Ceremony; and other significant issues surrounding the Annual Meeting related to firearms, tobacco and marijuana.

Dr. Benjamin concluded his remarks by highlighting APHA’s 2016 Annual Report, and because it was an election year, APHA’s status as a 501(c) 3 organization.

Speaker Giloth thanked Dr. Benjamin for his report, and before introducing the next item on the agenda, asked the Governing Council to approve an honorary APHA membership for Rosalind Stanwell-Smith, MB, BCH, MSc, of the Royal Society of Public Health, the longest established public health organization in the United Kingdom. A motion was made and seconded, and hearing no discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.
Speaker Giloth then introduced APHA President Camara Jones.

8.0 Report of the Executive Board

8.1 Report of the President

Dr. Jones thanked the Governing Council for giving her the privilege of serving as APHA president. She said she had a wonderful year interacting with members and visiting the Affiliates. She said her travels took her to 40 states and three countries. She said she enjoyed learning about what’s happening on the ground in each of the states she visited, experiencing shared values and struggles. She shared her message of achieving health equity, and highlighting tools for a national campaign against racism.

Dr. Jones then briefly shared her allegories including the cliff analogy and a gardener’s tale. Dr. Jones also outlined her National Campaign Against Racism, and the role of the seven collective action teams. The action teams are:

- Communication and Dissemination
- Education and Development
- Global Matters
- Liaison and Partnership
- Organizational Excellence
- Policy and Legislation
- Science and Publications

Dr. Jones concluded her remarks by thanking the Council for allowing her to serve as president of APHA and APHA staff for their support over the past year.

Former APHA president and member of the Occupational Health and Safety Section rose to thank Dr. Jones for her leadership, and to make the following motion:

That the APHA Executive Board carefully consider ways to institutionalize the anti-racism campaign initiated by APHA President Dr. Camara Jones. Further, the Executive Board should report back with recommendations to the fall of 2017 meeting of the Governing Council.

The motion was seconded. Hearing no discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.
Motion: That the APHA Executive Board carefully consider ways to institutionalize the anti-racism campaign initiated by APHA President Dr. Camara Jones. Further, the Executive Board should report back with recommendations to the fall of 2017 meeting of the Governing Council.

Outcome: Approved by acclamation

Speaker Giloth thanked Dr. Jones for her service to APHA and introduced Executive Board Chair Lynn Bethel Short.

8.2 Report of the Chair
The report of the chair of the Executive Board was included in the Governing Council Meeting materials.

Ms. Short thanked the Speaker and discussed the work of the Executive Board since the 2015 Annual Meeting. She said the Board spent a great deal of time focusing on the Association’s strategic plan. She noted, for the first time Executive Board Committee’s aligned their work with the strategic plan.

Ms. Short highlighted some of the successful initiatives of the Board, including working with the ISC and CoA on a simplified evaluation tool for companies interested in contributing to Affiliates and Components. She discussed the streamlined process for making a donation to APHA, the process the Board implemented for vetting Annual Meeting speakers, the selection of health indicators and the creation of an infographic to measure progress toward APHA’s goal of creating the healthiest nation in one generation.

Ms. Short discussed some of the challenges the Board faced over the past 12 months as well; challenges included both membership and financial issues. She said she was proud of the way the Board came together to address these situations.

She asked Governing Councilors to stay informed with things going on at APHA. She implored them to visit the website, read The Nation's Health, and promote APHA as much as possible in their community. Ms. Short concluded her remarks by recognizing her colleagues on the Executive Board, and thanking them for their efforts.

Speaker Giloth thanked Ms. Short for her report and introduced APHA Treasurer Richard Cohen, PhD.

8.3 Report of the Treasurer
The report of the treasurer was included in the Governing Council Meeting materials.

Dr. Cohen began his remarks by thanking the members of the Finance and Audit Committee and APHA’s Chief Financial Officer Kemi Oluwafemi for their work over the past year. He then discussed the Committee’s roles and responsibilities within the organization. Dr. Cohen said his presentation would consist of three parts; the first part would address how APHA ended FY 2016; the second part the financial status of FY 2017; and the final part a three-part dues proposal.

Dr. Cohen said APHA finished FY 2016 with a loss of $219,418. He said the following revenue generating function areas did not meet their planned targets in FY 2016; membership dues; the Annual Meeting (convention); advertising; book sales; interest income; and contracts and grants.
He said the following revenue generating function areas met their planned targets in FY 2016; subscriptions; rent and miscellaneous. Dr. Cohen then outlined the breakdown of revenue and expenses for FY 2016. Dr. Cohen said APHA received a clean audit for FY 2016 from the accounting firm Tate and Tryon.

Dr. Cohen then turned his attention toward the FY 2017 budget. He explained that the Executive Board approved a balanced budget of $16,933,800 for FY 2017. As of the end of September (25% of FY 2017) APHA reported revenue of $7,149,669 (42% of budget), which is under projection by $494,903. He said total expenses are at $4,111,593 (24% of FY 2017), which is under budget by $417,094. He reminded Councilors that expenses lag behind revenue, and lower expenses to date does not equate savings to date.

Dr. Cohen then introduced the topic of the proposed membership dues proposals. The proposals included: a bulk rate membership option for schools and programs of public health; a restructured agency membership proposal which allows for discounted individual membership fees; and a membership dues increase based on the consumer price index effective January 2018. The membership dues increase would have to be approved by the Executive Board for implementation in January of 2018.

At the conclusion of his presentation, Dr. Cohen and Dr. Benjamin answered questions and listened to comments concerning the solvency of the Association and the proposed membership dues proposals.

Hearing no further questions, Speaker Giloth thanked Dr. Cohen and Councilors for their input and said that the vote on the proposed membership dues proposals would take place on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2016. She then introduced Bylaws Committee Chair Mitch Haas.

9.0 **Report of the Committee on Bylaws**

The report of the Committee on Bylaws was received in the Governing Council meeting materials.

Mr. Haas thanked Speaker Giloth and the members of the Bylaws Committee for their efforts over the year. He said the Committee conducted a full review of the bylaws with the goals of updating the bylaws to be consistent with current practices, creating a uniform structure and making editorial changes as needed.

He then provided the Council with the following summary; he said Committee members were given sections of the bylaws to review and made recommendations for changes. He said at the same time the sections of the bylaws were distributed to the chairs of all APHA boards, councils, standing committees, support staff and the Executive Director. Dr. Haas said the various constituencies submitted recommended revisions for the Committee review. He said the Committee then met numerous times via conference call to discuss the recommended amendments. Dr. Haas said he and Speaker Giloth met with APHA’s executive director and staff to go over any final issues, and finally the proposed bylaws changes were presented to the Council for review.

Dr. Haas then spent some time discussing the marked-up version of the bylaws. He outlined the substantive changes highlighted in bold typeface and some minor revisions. Dr. Haas then explained that Councilors would vote on the proposed changes through a consent agenda. He concluded his remarks by outlining the deadline for receiving any additional bylaws amendments (6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29).
Dr. Haas then took a couple of questions related to the proposed bylaws amendments and consent agenda.

Speaker Giloth thanked Mr. Haas and the members of the Bylaws Committee for their efforts. She then explained that the Council will vote on the proposed changes to the bylaws on Tuesday, Nov. 1. Speaker Giloth stressed to Councilors that if they had any additional amendments to the bylaws they must be presented at Session I of the meeting or emailed to governance@apha.org by 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29.

10.0 Election of Nomination Committee
Speaker Giloth introduced the candidates running to fill three full terms and one partial term on the Nominations Committee. Information on the candidates was received in the Governing Council meeting materials. The following were the nominees in 2016:

- Apryl Renee Brown, MD, MPH – CHPPD
- Danielle M. Campbell, MPH – HIV/AIDS
- Marian Levy, DrPH, RD - Tennessee Public Health Association
- Rosemary Sokas, MD, MOH – OHS
- Xinzhi Zhang, MD, PhD, FACE, FRSM - VC

Voting will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2016

11.0 2018 Annual Meeting Program Emphasis
Three proposals for the 2018 Annual Meeting emphasis were received by the Governing Council in the meeting materials.

APHA members were invited through *The Nation’s Health* and other communication to submit themes to the Science Board for consideration. The Science Board then reviewed the information received and recommended three potential themes to the Governing Council. Over a period of six weeks this past summer, Governing Councilors were given an opportunity via email to review these themes and make comments/suggestions, which were incorporated in the proposed themes.

The proposed themes for the 2018 Annual Meeting are:

- Health Equity, the time is NOW
- Public Health in the Age of the Internet
- Creating the Healthiest Nation: Integrating Community and Clinical Care to Improve Population Health
- Creating the Healthiest Nation: Start Healthy, Stay Healthy

Voting will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2016.

12.0 Board and Committee Reports
12.1 Report of the Intersectional Council
12.2 Report of the Council of Affiliates
12.3 Report of the Action Board
12.4 Report of the *American Journal of Public Health* Editorial Board
12.5 Report of the Education Board
12.6 Report of the Committee on Bylaws
12.7 Report of the Publications Board
Speaker Giloth made several housekeeping announcements related to the Governing Council Roundtables and Tuesday’s Governing Council meeting. The Speaker also announced the results of the Executive Board election for chair and vice chair for 2016 – 2017. She said José Ramón Fernández-Peña, MD, MPA will serve as chair, and Resa M. Jones, PhD, MPH, will serve as vice chair. Hearing no further business, Speaker Giloth adjourned the meeting.

The Governing Council was recessed until Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2016

Session II – Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2016

1.0 Call to Order
The second session of the Governing Council convened at the Colorado Convention Center, Denver, Colorado. Speaker of the Council Barbara Giloth presided, and Greg Ullrich served as parliamentarian.

2.0 Quorum Call
The roll call of the Councilors was taken at the time of registration. The secretary of the Council proclaimed that a quorum was present.

Speaker Giloth began the meeting by making several housekeeping announcements related to the meeting schedule, new business and meeting materials. She then held a brief tutorial on how to use the Governing Council voting apparatus. At the conclusion of the tutorial she introduced the next item on the agenda.

3.0 Selection of Annual Meeting Program Emphasis 2018, San Diego
Speaker Giloth discussed previous Annual Meeting themes and the process for accepting proposed themes for the 2018 Annual Meeting in San Diego. The Speaker asked Governing Councilors for their comments related to the proposed themes presented for consideration:

1. Health Equity, the Time is NOW
2. Public Health in the Age of the Internet
3. Creating the Healthiest Nation: Integrating Community and Clinical Care to Improve Population Health
4. Creating the Healthiest Nation: Start Healthy, Stay Healthy

After a period of discussion, Speaker Giloth called for the vote. Theme number one, Health Equity, the Time is NOW was selected as the theme of the 2018 Annual Meeting in San Diego. It should be noted that theme number one received 77 percent of the vote.

Speaker Giloth then introduced APHA President-Elect Tom Quade to present the motions related to the proposed membership dues initiatives.
4.0 **Proposed Dues Actions**

Mr. Quade thanked Speaker Giloth and briefly reintroduced the three proposed membership dues initiatives. He reminded Governing Councilors that the motions need to receive a two-thirds majority for approval. Mr. Quade then introduced the first motion:

Motion #1: That the Governing Council approve the schools and programs in public health proposal to offer discounted volume-based membership to students. This proposal would start January 2017 as a four-year pilot.

APHA’s Executive Director, Georges Benjamin, MD then explained the program in more detail and at the conclusion of his remarks turned the proceedings over to Speaker Giloth. The Speaker then opened the floor for discussion.

Governing Councilors then commented for and against the proposal. Comments ranged from concern over APHA staffing issues related to the Student Assembly to expanding the program to include medical, nursing and other schools not just schools and programs of public health.

After the initial 15 minute discussion period ended, Speaker Giloth called for a vote to extend debate. The vote to extend failed, at which time the Speaker called for a vote on the motion.

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At the conclusion of the vote Dr. Giloth introduced the second motion:

Motion #2: Move approval of the Agency Membership framework to expand the number of organizations eligible for agency membership and accommodate greater disparity in agency size.

APHA’s Executive Director, Georges Benjamin, MD, then explained the program in more detail and at the conclusion of his remarks turned the proceeding over to Speaker Giloth. The Speaker then opened the floor for discussion.

Governing Councilors asked clarifying questions related to who exactly can be considered an agency, agency status with regards to Sections, benefits of Agency Membership and the discounted individual member rate for agency employees. Hearing no further comments, the Speaker called for a vote on motion number two.

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At the conclusion of the vote Dr. Giloth introduced the third motion:

Motion #3: Move approval of giving the Executive Board the authority to increase dues on all individual member types every other year effective January 2018 by the 10 year CPI (rounded to the nearest $5/$10 CAP for individuals) for four years.

APHA’s Executive Director, Georges Benjamin, MD, then provided the Governing Council with the rational for giving the Executive Board the authority to increase dues on all individual member types twice in four years--January 2018 and January 2020. At the conclusion of his explanation, Dr. Benjamin turned the proceeding over to Speaker Giloth. The Speaker then opened the floor for discussion.

Councilors spoke out for and against the motion. During the discussion it was proposed that the language regarding a cap to the increase be clarified. Speaker Giloth called for a motion to postpone the vote on motion number three until Session III of the Governing Council so the language could be clarified such a motion was made and seconded; hearing no discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

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At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth said the motion would be rewritten and presented to the Council for their consideration. She then introduced the next item on the agenda.

5.0 **Election of 2017 Nominations Committee**

Voting for the Nominations Committee (term 2017 – 2019) was done by electronic ballot. The results of the election were announced at the conclusion of Session II of the Governing Council.

**In Memoriam**

Counselors rose for a moment of silence in memory of APHA members who passed away during the preceding year.

At the conclusion of the moment of silence, Speaker Giloth made brief remarks related to the proposed bylaws amendments and reminded Councilors that all amendments to the bylaws need a two-thirds majority vote for adoption. The Speaker then introduced Committee on Bylaws Chair Mitch Haas.

6.0 **Bylaws Committee**

Dr. Haas began by thanking the members of the Committee on Bylaws for their work over the past year. He then outlined the purpose of reviewing the bylaws and the process the Committee incorporated to produce the document before the Governing Council.

He said the Committee thought it was necessary to perform a full review of the bylaws so they would be consistent with current practice, create a uniform structure, and make necessary editorial changes. Dr. Haas said the process for reviewing the bylaws was highly inclusive, with Committee members having conversations with leaders from APHA boards, committees, councils, Student Assembly, the Executive Board, the executive director, and staff.
Dr. Haas then outlined the process for voting on the bylaws amendments. He said a consent agenda was created and that Councilors could pull an item from the consent agenda for further discussion if needed. He then walked the Council through the items on the consent agenda, and highlighted some of the significant changes under each heading.

At the conclusion of his remarks, Dr. Haas made a motion that the Governing Council amend the bylaws by approval of the consent agenda, and turned the proceedings over to Speaker Giloth. Dr. Giloth then opened the floor for discussion. After a brief period of discussion, with no items removed from the consent agenda, Speaker Giloth called for the vote.

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At the conclusion of the vote, Dr. Haas moved that the Governing Council authorize the Committee on Bylaws to make editorial, numerical, grammatical and conforming changes to reflect the intent of these amendments. Speaker Giloth called for comments, and hearing none called for a vote.

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Note: The updated bylaws are now available at:

https://www.apha.org/~/media/files/pdf/governance(gc/apha_bylaws.ashx

7.0 Joint Policy Committee – Report of the 2016 JPC Process

Presenting the archiving consent calendar and proposed policy statements as received by the Governing Council were Joint Policy Committee Co-Chairs Chris Chanyasulkit (Chair, Education Committee), Julie Graves (Chair, Science Board), and Kevin Borrup (Chair, Action Board).

JPC Co-Chair and Education Board Chair, Chris Chanyasulkit, PhD, MPH, began the JPC presentation by stating that the Joint Policy Committee received 19 proposed policy statements in 2016. She said 17 policy statements met the minimum required guidelines and were accepted into the 2016 process although none addressed an identified policy gap. She said nine policy statements receiving conditional approval were resubmitted for JPC consideration in August, and two policy statements receiving a negative assessment. She said the JPC received one Late-Breaker policy in October. Dr. Chanyasulkit concluded her remarks by saying twelve policy proposals were presented at the public hearings.

Speaker Giloth thanked Dr. Chanyasulkit and opened the floor for discussion/question. Hearing none, Speaker Giloth introduced Mr. Borrup to discuss the archiving process.
JPC Co-Chair and Action Board Chair, Kevin Borrup then discussed the 20 policy statements marked for auto-archiving. Auto-archiving affects policy statements that are event specific, have been superseded by a more current policy statement, refer to a law or regulation that is no longer in place or active, and/or are no longer germane to public health. Mr. Borrup then introduced the policy statements on the auto-archiving consent agenda.

The policy statements on the auto-archiving list included:

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Mr. Borrup then discussed the policy statements on the archiving consent agenda. He said the Action Board identified 31 policy statements from 1967 to 1968 during the 2016 cycle. The JPC recommends 11 policy statements be archived and 20 be updated (two years to update).

The 11 policy statements recommended for archiving included:

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Speaker Giloth asked if any policy statements should be removed from the archiving list. Hearing no comments, the Speaker call for the vote

**Motion:** To approve the archiving recommendations policy statements on the consent agenda.

**Outcome:** Approved: YES – 99% NO – 1%

The above policy statements must be updated within two years (November of 2018) or they will be automatically archived. Although the archived policy statements are no longer active, the text is accessible for viewing on APHA’s website in the policy statement database (you need to be an APHA member and logged into APHA’s website to view).

JPC Co-Chair and Science Board Chair, Julie Graves, MP, PhD, MPH, FAAFP, summarized the results of the Joint Policy Committee meeting on Monday, Oct. 31, 2016. She said the members of the JPC convened to review the proposed policy statements and proceedings from the public hearings. The JPC RECOMMENDED the following 8 proposed policy statements for adoption by the Governing Council:

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A2: Access to Integrated Medical and Oral Health within Improved Public Health Systems of Care for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD)

B3: Reducing Human Exposures to Highly Fluorinated Chemicals to Protect Public Health

B4: Compulsory Pasteurization of all non-Human Derived Animal Milk Products Intended for Human Consumption

C1: Addressing Social Determinants to Ensure On-Time High School Graduation

C3: Opportunities for Health Collaboration: Leveraging Community Development Investments to Improve Health in Low-Income Neighborhoods

C4: Improving Health by Increasing the Minimum Wage

D1: Opposition to Immigration Policies Requiring HIV Tests as a Condition of Employment for Foreign Nationals

D2: Promoting Transgender and Gender Minority Health through Inclusive Policies and Practices

Speaker Giloth thanked Dr. Graves and asked if any proposed policy statement should be removed from the consent agenda. Winston Tsang from the CHPPD Section asked that policy statement D2 be removed from the consent agenda. Speaker Giloth asked that the policy statement be removed, and hearing no further comments called for a vote on the remaining seven policy statements on the consent agenda.

**Motion:** To Approve the seven policy statements on the consent agenda.

**Outcome:** Approved: Yes - 98% No - 2%

Speaker Giloth congratulated the Council on approving seven policy statements and invited Mr. Tsang to a microphone to share his thoughts on policy D2. Mr. Tsang asked that the title of the policy and language throughout the document be changed to Promoting Transgender, Gender Nonconforming and Gender Diverse Health through Inclusive Policies and Practices. Speaker Giloth then opened the floor for discussion. Councilors spoke out both for and against the proposed amendment. Hearing no further discussion, Speaker Giloth called for a vote to approve the proposed amendment to policy statement D2.

**Motion:** To approve the proposed amendment to policy statement D2.

**Outcome:** Approved: Yes – 73% No – 27%

Speaker Giloth then called for a motion to approve policy statement D2. The motion was moved and seconded, and hearing no discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

**Motion:** To approve policy statement D2.

**Outcome:** Approved: Yes – 91% No – 9%
Speaker Giloth asked Dr. Graves to return to the podium to discuss the policy statements the JPC did not recommend for adoption. Dr. Graved outlined the rational for the JPC’s not recommending the following policy statements for adoption:

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<td>B1: Improving Fall Safety and Related Usability of Bathrooms within Buildings through Safety Standards, Building Codes, Housing Codes and Other Mechanisms</td>
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<td>C5: Law Enforcement Violence as a Public Health Issue</td>
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Speaker Giloth asked that the Council address each of the proposed policy statements one at a time. She then opened the floor for discussion concerning policy statement A3. Governing Councilors spoke out both for and against the policy statement, and asked clarifying questions related to the rational for the JPC’s recommendation. After a period of discussion, and hearing no further comments/questions the Speaker called for a vote. She asked Councilors to vote on whether to reject policy statement A3.

**Motion:** To reject policy statement A3.

**Outcome:** Failed: Yes – 48%  No – 52%

Speaker Giloth then asked Dr. Graves to discuss proposed policy statement B1. Dr. Graves provided the Council with the JPC’s rationale rejecting the policy statement. Speaker Giloth then asked the Council to suspend the rules to allow the author of policy statement B1 to speak on behalf of his policy statement. Speaker Giloth reminded Councilors the motion needed a two-thirds majority pass.

**Motion:** To suspend the rules.

**Outcome:** Approved: Yes – 70%  No – 30%

The author of policy statement B1, Jake Pauls, then made remarks concerning the proposed policy statement. At the conclusion of his remarks, Speaker Giloth opened the floor for discussion. Linda Hazlett of the Epidemiology Section made a motion to remove lines 8 through 16 of the policy statement to conform with the JPC’s recommendation. The motion was seconded, and the Speaker called for discussion. Councilors spoke both for and against the amendment, and hearing no further discussion the Speaker called for a vote.

**Motion:** To remove lines 8 – 16 of policy statement B1.

**Outcome:** Approved: Yes – 88%  No – 12%

At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth opened the floor for discussion on the rejection of policy statement B1. Councilors spoke out both for and against the policy statement, and hearing no further discussion the Speaker called for a vote.
Motion: To reject policy statement B1.
Outcome: Approved: Yes – 75%  No – 25%

At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth invited Dr. Graves to the podium to discuss the JPC’s rational for rejecting policy statement C5. At the conclusion of her remarks, Speaker Giloth suggested policy statement C5 be treated as a late-breaker policy. If approved, the policy would go back through the JPC review process in 2017 and voted on by the Governing Council in the fall.

Speaker Giloth called for a motion to suspend the rules to consider reclassifying policy statement C5. The motion was moved and seconded, and the floor was opened for discussion. After a period of discussion, Speaker Giloth called for a vote. She reminded Councilors that a two-thirds majority was needed to suspend the rules.

Motion: To suspend the rules.
Outcome: Approved: Yes – 70%  No – 30%

At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth called for a motion to reclassify policy statement C5 as Late-Breaker 2 (LB2). The motion was moved and seconded, and the floor was open for discussion. Councilors spoke in both favor of, and in opposition to, the motion to reclassify. Hearing no further discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

Motion: To reclassify policy statement C5 as Late-Breaker 2 (LB2)
Outcome: Approved: Yes – 78%  No – 22%

At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth called on one of the authors of policy statement LB2 (C5) to speak concerning the policy statement (the rules didn’t need to be suspended because the Council already suspended the rules to reclassify the policy). The author of policy statement LB2 (C5) spoke in favor of Governing Council adoption.

Speaker Giloth thanked the author, and asked that the Governing Council resume consideration of LB2 (C5) and other JPC matters during Session III of the Council. The Speaker then moved on to the next item on the agenda.

8.0 Announcement of Nominations Committee Election Results
Speaker Giloth introduced the Councilors elected to the Nominations Committee:

Term ending in 2018:
Danielle M. Campbell, MPH (HIV/AIDS)

Term ending in 2019:
Apryl Renee Brown, MD, MPH (CHPPD)
Marian Levy, DrPH, RD (ARCG/Tennessee)
Session II of the Governing Council was recessed until 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2016

Session III – Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2016

1.0 Call to Order
The third session of the Governing Council convened at the Colorado Convention Center, Denver, Colorado. Speaker of the Council Barbara Giloth presided, and Greg Ullrich served as parliamentarian.

2.0 Quorum Call
The roll call of the Councilors was taken at the time of registration. The secretary of the Council proclaimed that a quorum was present.

3.0 Joint Policy Committee – New Policy Proposals and Archiving Continued
Speaker Giloth asked the co-chairs of the JPC to join her on the dais. She asked Dr. Graves to introduce Late-Breaking policy statement one to the Governing Council. Dr. Graves said the JPC recommends the Governing Council approve LB1 - United Nation’s Accountability for its Role in the Haitian Cholera Epidemic.

The Speaker thanked Dr. Graves and called for discussion. Councilors spoke in favor of LB1, and hearing no further discussion, Speaker Giloth called for a vote.

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<th>To adopt Late-Breaker policy statement LB1.</th>
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At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth asked the Governing Council to consider the Finance & Audit Committee’s third motion concerning membership dues. This item was addressed to give the JPC additional time to work on policy statement LB2 (C5).

Speaker Giloth called on Dr. Benjamin to address the motion. Dr. Benjamin explained that the language had been clarified, and that he endorsed Council’s approving the motion. Speaker Giloth them opened the floor for discussion. Members of the Executive Board rose to support the motion. Hearing no further discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

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<th>Motion:</th>
<th>That the Governing Council approval giving the Executive Board the authority to increase dues on all individual member types every other year effective January 2018 by the 10 year CPI (capped to the nearest $5 for most membership categories and $10 for regular membership) for four years.</th>
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<td>Outcome:</td>
<td>Approved Yes – 74% No – 26%</td>
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At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth asked the Governing Council to consider LB2 (C5). The Speaker called on JPC Co-Chair Dr. Graves to discuss the proposed policy.

Dr. Graves thanked the Speaker and made several amendments to the Action Steps in policy statement LB2 (C5). At the conclusion of her remarks Speaker Giloth opened for the floor for discussion. Councilors rose to speak out against the amendments, and after a period of discussion, Dr. Graves withdrew her motion to amend the Action Steps in policy statement LB2 (C5).

Speaker Giloth then called for discussion on policy statement LB2 (C5). Governing Councilors spoke both for and against the policy statement. APHA Executive Board Chair Lynn Bethel Short made a motion that the policy statement be amended, and provided language for inclusion. The motion was seconded, and after a period of discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

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<td>Approved: Yes – 61% No – 39%</td>
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At the conclusion of the vote, a Councilor moved the previous question. The move was seconded, and the Speaker called for a vote. The Speaker reminded the Council that a two-thirds vote is needed to close debate.

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At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth called for a motion to approve policy statement LB2 (C5).

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At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth thanked the members of the Governing Council for their thoughtful consideration of the proposed policy statements, and moved on to the next item on the agenda.

4.0 Leadership Appreciation

Speaker Giloth invited APHA President-Elect Tom Quade to the dais.

Mr. Quade began by thanking the members of the Governing Council for everything they do for the Association. He then showed a brief presentation highlighting the accomplishments of APHA over the past 12 months. At the conclusion of the presentation, Mr. Quade encouraged Governing Councilors to contribute to APHA, noting that no contribution is too small.

Speaker Giloth thanked Mr. Quade and moved to the next item on the agenda.
5.0 Election of the 2017 Executive Board Officers and Members
Voting for Executive Board officers and members was done by electronic ballot.

The 2017 honorary vice presidents were elected by acclamation.

C. Alcides Ochoa, PhD, MPH – Vice President for Latin America and the Caribbean
Ardene Robinson Vollman, PhD, RN – Vice President for Canada
Howard Koh, MD – Vice President for the United States

At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth moved to the next item on the agenda.

6.0 Policy Statement Development Process
Speaker Giloth introduced the proposed changes to the APHA policy statement development process document. She informed Councilors that the document hadn’t been updated since 2013, and briefly outlined the process used for receiving member comments and suggested revisions.

She went on to say the document would be voted on in two parts. The first vote will be to approve all of the proposed changes to the policy statement development process except the archiving section. The Speaker then proceeded to highlight some of the significant amendments to the document. Significant changes included the role of Association Units, and clarifying the criteria for Late Breaking Policies.

Speaker Giloth then discussed a suggested amendment that wasn’t in the document. The amendment pertains to the JPC’s review of policies receiving a negative assessment before the policy review hearings. The Speaker asked the Council if there was a formal motion to include the above-mentioned language.

Governing Councilor Carol Dabbs of the International Health Section rose to make the following motion: If an author receives a negative recommendation from JPC and decides to go further to the hearing, his or her policy statement proposal will be reviewed a second time by the JPC if changes are made to respond to JPC recommendations. The motion was seconded, and the Speaker opened the floor for discussion. Councilors spoke both in support of and against the proposed motion, and hearing no further discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

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<td>Outcome:</td>
<td>Approved: Yes – 90%  No – 10%</td>
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At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth asked the Council if there were any comments related to the suggested revisions to the policy statement development process document. Hearing no comments, the Speaker called for a vote on the motion to approve the revisions in the policy statement development process document minus the archiving section.
Motion: That the Governing Council approves the revisions in the policy statement development process document minus the archiving section.

Outcome: Approved: Yes – 96% No – 4%

At the conclusion of the vote, the Speaker called on Lenny Lesser of the Food and Nutrition Section to make a motion. Dr. Lesser moved to direct the JPC to create a process for updating policy statements. The motion was moved and seconded, and the Speaker opened the floor for discussion. Councilor Joe Grander from the Wyoming Affiliate rose to make an amendment; Mr. Grander asked that the word “current” be added to the motion. The amendment was accepted, and hearing no further discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

Motion: That the Governing Council directs the JPC to create a process for updating current policy statements.

Outcome: Approved: Yes – 98% No – 2%

At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth introduced a motion form the JPC that the Governing Council approves the changes to the archiving section of the policy statement development process. She then invited JPC co-chair Kevin Borrup to the dais to discuss the suggested revisions to the archiving/auto-archiving processes.

Mr. Borrup thanked the Speaker, and briefly outlined APHA’s current auto-archiving and archiving policy statements. He then outlined the rational for consolidating the two archiving processes into a single process. He said, starting in 2019 policy statements that are passed 20 years ago would go into the archive unless a policy statement scheduled for archiving is deemed current after thorough review by the Science Board and approved to remain active by the Governing Council.

Speaker Giloth thanked Mr. Borrup for his presentation and opened the floor for discussion. Governing Councilor spoke both in favor of and against the motion, and hearing no further discussion, the Speaker called for a vote.

Motion: That the Governing Council approves the changes to the archiving section of the policy statement development process.

Outcome: Approved: Yes – 88% No – 12%

At the conclusion of the vote, Speaker Giloth thanked the co-chairs and members of the JPC for their efforts in 2016, and introduced the next item on the agenda.

7.0 Strategic Plan APHA as the Leader and Catalyst for Change
Speaker Giloth invited APHA Executive Board member Resa M. Jones, PhD, MPH, and APHA Executive Director, Georges Benjamin, MD, to the dais for their presentation.
Dr. Jones thanked the Speaker and briefly reintroduced the Council to APHA’s Strategic Plan. She discussed APHA’s aspirational goal of becoming the healthiest nation by 2030, highlighted the redesigned Venn diagram, the Association’s three overarching priorities, and the 10 health indicators and long-term metrics the Association will use to gauge our progress. Dr. Jones then discussed APHA’s three core approaches and 28 tactics.

Dr. Jones then discussed the Governing Council Breakout Session held on Sunday, Oct. 30, 2016 from 9 – 11 a.m. She said 70 people participated in the session, and that the group was engaged and the dialogue was wonderful. She then shared the results of the icebreaker, which ended up being a word cloud based on what participants thought were the most important things that needs to be done to help the U.S. become the healthiest nation.

Dr. Jones then said she asked each table of participants to address one of the 10 leading health indicators based on the following question:

What can APHA members and Components do within the organization and also within their communities and states to move the needle on the leading health indicator assigned to your table? Please give specific examples.

Dr. Jones then shared some of the responses to question one with the Council, and introduced question two. She asked participants to think about the word cloud and keep in mind their table’s leading health indicator to answer the following question:

What APHA organizational work could be done? For example, what partnerships would be needed and what levers would need to be pulled to move the leading health indicator so the US can become the healthiest nation? In other words, what needs to be done by APHA staff and its leadership to see the needle move on the leading health indicator? Please give specific examples as appropriate for local, state, national, and/or global levels.

Dr. Jones then shared some of the responses regarding question two, and turned the presentation over to Dr. Benjamin, who commented on the suggestions.

Dr. Benjamin thanked Dr. Jones and the members of the Council who participated in the breakout session. He said he thought the suggestions were both interesting and exciting. He then discussed the public health landscape, noting how APHA members and units can advance APHA’s goal of creating the healthiest nation in one generation.

Some of the key topics Dr. Benjamin mentioned included: the importance of breaking down public health silos; incorporating Public Health 3.0 strategies into practice; advancing accreditation; building a public health data system to retain and share information; rebuilding the governmental public health system; supporting the public health infrastructure at the Affiliate and APHA unit levels; advancing APHA’s Generation Public Health movement; the importance of APHA units aligning their work against the strategic plan; and strengthening the tools APHA offers members and the public (tools include AJPH, the Annual Meeting, APHA publications, webinars, and more).

Speaker Giloth thanked Dr. Benjamin for his remarks, and asked Dr. Jones to return to the podium to introduce the Governing Council to APHA’s strategic plan infographic. Speaker Giloth thanked Dr. Jones for the introduction, and opened the floor for discussion. Governing Councilors asked questions related to APHA’s strategic plan and the future direction of the Association.
Hearing no further comments, Speaker Giloth thanked Drs. Benjamin and Jones and introduced the next item on the agenda.

8.0 New Business
Speaker Giloth discussed the information under new business.

8.1 Review of the 2016 Governing Council Work Plan
Speaker Giloth highlighted the accomplishments of the 2015 – 2016 Governing Council. She noted the following:

- Completed planning, implementation and evaluations of mid-year and annual meetings.
- Implemented breakouts on Leading Health Indicators at the 2017 Annual Meeting.
- Increased the opportunities for Governing Council input between meetings—on Healthiest Nation infographic, theme options for 2018, proposed bylaws changes, and proposed changes in the policy development process.
- Presented three GC Orientation sessions in 2016.
- 55% of voting and non-voting) councilors donated to APHA in 2015. This was lower than the previous year and did not meet 75% goal. As of September 30, 27.2% of councilors have donated since the last annual meeting and we hope to increase closer to 75% before the close of the Annual Meeting.
- Completed basic Governing Council resource pages on APHA’s website.
- APHA signed the Healthy Meeting Pledge
- The Speaker established a committee to look at financial assistance for Governing Councilors.
- The Speaker worked closely with the Committee on Bylaws to implement overall review of the bylaws.
- The Speaker worked closely with the JPC co-chairs and staff to propose revisions to the policy statement development process.

8.2 Proposed 2017 Governing Council Work Plan
The Speaker then highlighted some of the Governing Council’s objectives for 2016 – 2017. Objectives include:

- Meeting planning and improvement
- Continuation of GC orientation
- Continued focus on GC role in fundraising
- Expansion of materials for GC on website
- Develop a 10 year report of GC process and accomplishments for new Speaker

The Speaker concluded by asking Councilors to contact her if they have any additional items they would like included in the 2016 – 2017 Governing Council work plan.

8.3 Other New Business
There was no other new business before the Governing Council.

9.0 Announcement of Executive Board Election Results
The results of the Executive Board election are as follows:

President-Elect: Joseph Telfair, DrPH, MSW, MPH (term exp. 2019)
Treasurer: Benjamin Hernandez, MBA (term exp. 2019)
Executive Board: Chris Chanyasulkit, PhD, MPH  (term exp. 2020)
Executive Board: Betty Daniels, PhD, RN (term exp. 2020)
Executive Board: André G. Stanley, MPH (term exp. 2020)
Executive Board: William Courtney, DVM, MPH, MA (term exp. 2019)

10.0 Adjournment

There being no further business pending before the Governing Council, the Speaker called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved by acclamation.

The Governing Council’s midyear meeting will take place via webinar on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 2 p.m. EDT