

**NY APNA Chapter Board Meeting Minutes  
February 20, 2017**

**In Attendance:**

Adrial A. Lobelo  
Suzie Marriott  
Nancy S. Rogers  
Wesley Willis

I.	<p><b>ANNOUNCEMENTS :</b></p> <p>In honor of Black History Month, some quotes from the wise and ineffable poet Maya Angelou:</p> <p>“My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humor, and some style.”</p> <p>“When someone shows you who they are, believe them the first time.”</p> <p>“Prejudice is a burden that confuses the past, threatens the future and renders the present inaccessible.”</p> <p>“Nothing will work unless you do.”</p>
II.	<p><b>AGENDA:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. Black History Month</li><li>II. Online registration platforms</li><li>III. Non-profit status</li><li>IV. Speaker updates</li><li>V. Vendor updates</li><li>VI. Conference brochure</li></ul>

	TOPIC	CONTENT/DISCUSSION	OUTCOME
I.	Black History Month	In honor of Black History Month, the APNA board proudly recognizes the contributions, accomplishments, and impact of black people globally.	N/A
II.	Online registration platforms	Paul Panakal, treasurer, had provided the board with his research findings on various online registration platforms prior to today's meeting. After some deliberation, PayPal was chosen as the official online registration portal for the 2017 state-wide spring conference.	All voted in favor, none were opposed, and the motion passed unanimously.
III.	Non-profit status	National APNA is recognized as a non-profit entity given its 501(c)(3) status. There is some question as to whether this non-profit status is also conferred to the New York state chapter of APNA.	Wesley will inquire about the APNA NY's non-profit status with the national APNA.
IV.	Speaker updates	February 22 <sup>nd</sup> is the deadline for educational design and biography forms.	Nancy and Suzie will follow-up with speakers to ensure this deadline is met.
V.	Vendor updates	Continued discussion of interest by vendors at the 2017 state-wide spring conference.	Wesley will craft an application for vendors to complete. Adrial will disseminate the applications.
VI.	Conference brochure	The 2017 state-wide spring conference brochure will require development and dissemination to members, OMH partners, and other constituent groups.	The board nominated Jack Spencer, member at large, to craft the brochure. Suzie and Adrial will assist Jack with this endeavor.

Next Meeting: March 6, 2017, at 5 pm  
Submitted by: Adrial A. Lobelo