**WSPS General Meeting
Monday, November 7th, 2016
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm**

1. Welcome Announcements
	1. Next meeting there will be no guest speaker; we will be giving out awards
	2. Congratulations Kate Berlin, our new MEDiC Liaison!
2. Student Senate Update
	1. Thank you to career fair volunteers
	2. School wide food drive
	3. Leadership
		1. List of positions will be sent out
		2. Colloquium for informal leadership on CV
	4. Rho Chi private tutors
		1. Contact Jared Simmons
	5. School calendar adjustments – Board of Visitors
		1. Want to make time for students to go to conferences and PROS/COPS
			1. Thinking of expanding the school calendar
				1. Shortening the winter break OR starting school a week earlier
3. Networking Luncheon
	1. Luncheon with pharmacists to provide students an opportunity to meet pharmacy professionals from a variety of backgrounds, learn about possible career choices, and practice their networking skills
	2. During colloquium hour on Tuesday November 15, 2016 (12-1:15PM) in the School of Pharmacy Commons
	3. Cost: $5
4. T-Shirt Pickup
	1. Be sure to pick up your t-shirt after the meeting if you have not yet
5. MRM Recap
	1. Networked with students pharmacists from 23 other chapters at MRM
	2. Attended presentations relating to Generation Rx, Operation Self Care, Pharmacy Entrepreneurship, Residency Preparedness
	3. Our proposal was not approved, but we were able to participate in the next step of the policy process
		1. Wisconsin already does a lot of the proposals that were passed
6. Policy Updates
	1. Provider Status Update
		1. H.R. 592/S. 314, the Pharmacy Medically Underserved Areas Enhancement Act, will enable Medicare beneficiaries access to pharmacist-provided services under Medicare Part B
		2. Services would be reimbursable under Medicare Part B if they are provided in medically underserved communities and are consistent with state scope of practice laws. For Wisconsin, that is 48 out of 72 counties.
		3. The bill seeks to increase access and improve quality by enabling pharmacists to provide patient care services as consistent with their training, such as ambulatory care services. Importantly, the federal legislation would not expand the types of services that pharmacists are permitted to provide. Eligible services would continue to be governed by state scope of practice laws. In short, it allows the state to implement the reimbursement of pharmacists for providing new services.
	2. Local:
		1. On the local level, PSW is focusing on addressing the dispensing fee reimbursement for Medicaid patients. Currently Wisconsin Medicaid dispensing fees are $3.44 (brands) and $3.94 (generics). This dramatically undercompensates a pharmacy relative to its costs to dispense a prescription. Because CMS is now requiring states to pay pharmacies based upon their acquisition costs, this margin will be eliminated and the dispensing fee must be adjusted to cover a pharmacy’s cost to dispense the prescription.
		2. Their solution is advocating for the adjustment of the pharmacy dispensing fee for CMS. There is data available from a dispensing cost study that PSW is using to increase pharmacist reimbursement. This will be one of the primary legislative initiatives for the upcoming year.
	3. National
		1. Bill introduced to improve medication adherences by Senator Thomas R. Carper. This would require the annual report rates of medication adherence to better inform policy makers regarding issues of non-adherence and related quality measures. Finally, the bill calls for the establishment of enhanced MTM models for all medication assistance plans starting one year after the CMS test in stand-alone plans.
7. Guest Speaker - Nick Capote
	1. APhA
		1. APhA represents over 62,000 members from all corners of the profession
	2. APhA-ASP
		1. Represents over 36,000 student pharmacists
		2. 137 chapters
	3. Service
		1. Patient Care Projects
			1. Develop your clinical skills
			2. Give back to the community
			3. Show what pharmacists and student pharmacists can do
			4. 5 projects, countless ways to serve
				1. Operation Diabetes

Raise awareness about diabetes and risk factors for prevention

Confront the growing epidemic

Screening patients

Educating the public about the importance of prevention

Collaborating with other health care providers

Gain project management skills

* + - * 1. Operation Heart

Provide education and screenings to keep communities heart healthy

Hypertension

Dyslipidemia

Tobacco cessation

These are the patients that need motivation and need an advocate

Diet and lifestyle changes

Enhance your clinical skills

* + - * 1. Operation Immunization

Educate the public and advance the profession

Promoting the public health by

Increasing access to immunizations

Educating the public on vaccine preventable disease

Over its 19-year history, students have delivered more immunizations than 1.2 million

* + - * 1. OTC Medication Safety

Advance community partnerships

Keep kids safe by educating 5th and 6th graders and their families on:

How to read medication directions

Follow label directions

Properly measure medications

Safely store medications away from younger children

Consult with parent before taking medications

* + - * 1. Generation Rx

Develop presentation and communication skills

Take action to prevent the inappropriate use of prescription medications

Medication take-back events

Community presentations tailored to specific age groups

Top chapters present at the APhA institute in Salt Lake City, UT

* 1. Connection
		1. MRM
			1. The only meetings designed exclusively for student pharmacists
				1. Network with student pharmacists and practitioners
				2. Discover internships, post graduate options, and career opportunities
				3. Enhance your leadership skills
				4. Celebrate the achievements of student pharmacists
		2. APhA Annual Meeting and Exposition
			1. San Francisco, CA, March 24-27
			2. “MRM on steroids”
		3. APhA Institue on Alchoholism and Drug Dependencies
			1. Programming focused on addiction and chemical dependency
				1. Clinical Pharmacy Sessions
				2. Pathophysiology of Addiction
				3. Intervention and Counseling
				4. Group Therapy Sessions
				5. Generation Rx
			2. Also learn about the social effects of alcoholism and drug dependency
			3. Two student travel scholarships available
		4. Connect internationally with APhA-ASP & IPSF (International Pharmaceutical Students Federation)
			1. Global health initiatives
			2. Exchange opportunities
			3. Professional awareness
			4. Ten days in late July/early August
	2. Leadership Opportunities
		1. Local
		2. Regional
			1. Regional Delegate – advocate
			2. Regional Member-at-large – inform
			3. Midyear Regional Meeting Coordinator - plan
			4. The regional leaders go to Washington DC in January to plan the year
		3. National
			1. Appointed and elected positions on the national level
				1. Standing Committees (appointed)

Awards

Communication

Education

International

Policy

* + - * 1. National Officers (elected)

President

President-elect

Members-at-large (2)

Speaker of the House

* + - * 1. Special Appointments

APhA Policy

Practice Advancement

Publications

* 1. Scholarships
		1. 14 scholarships available
		2. Recognizes outstanding involvement and academic success
		3. Student Leadership Award
		4. Good Government Student Pharmacist of the Year Award
	2. National Patient Counseling Competition
	3. PharmFlix
	4. Policy – shape the future of pharmacy
1. Member of the Meeting Award
	1. Congratulations Miranda Bowers!
2. Closing Announcements
	1. Next meeting: Monday, December 5th at 5PM Room 2002
3. Adjourn