



North Carolina Society for
Clinical Laboratory Science

Minutes
Spring Business Meeting 2009

Myrtle Beach, SC
March 26, 2009

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Jeanne Whittlesey.

Members Present: Jennifer Anderson, Jeanne Whittlesey, Karen Sullivan, Courtney Robinson, Brenda Hamm, Janis Milliken, Teresa Hutson, Sandra Little, Renee Rogers, Jeanne Phelps, Andy Meixner, George Harwell, Tim Stegall, Mickey Yost, Jeremy Edwards, Christine Stevens, Nicole Pekarek, Tim Henry, Dan Southern, Jesse Frank, Libby Haile

Minutes Committee: Teresa Hutson
Jeanne Whittlesey

Sergeant at Arms: Karen Sullivan

Parliamentarian: Jeanne Phelps

President (Jeanne Whittlesey)

- Region III Meeting is next week in Florida. More information to come.
- ASCLS True Life Video is excellent. Check it out at <http://www.ascls.org/ppc/lifesavevideo.asp>
- ASCSL has a new Teleconference Service
 - No set up fee
 - \$0.05 per minute per person
- *Promotion of the Profession Committee* is working on a list of topics that will be used to educate the public about the CLS profession
 - Will be posted to the ASCLS website
- Western Carolina Program Closing
 - Jeanne wrote a letter to the Dean
 - Dean recommended that we do a better job at recruiting students to the program
 - Tim Stegall will keep us updated

- Dean is interested in the Federal Stimulus money for Health Professions education
 - May just put the program as inactive for next year
 - May be able to develop an MLT→MT program similar to WSSU.
- We need to keep writing letters
- Thanks to Kathleen for the e-mails updating the membership on news and for coordinating the sending of the membership postcard.
- ADVANCE sent out E-Blasts about CCC 2009.
 - The Link on our website seems to be going well
 - Sign up for ADVANCE...it's free.
- Check out the new and improved NCSCLS web page. Need to add to it and keep it up to date
- Congrats to Drew for getting the Young Investigators Award
- Summer Board will be 6/20/09 at the Courtyard Marriott in Cary
 - Includes Finance Committee Meeting, ASCLS Delegate Meeting, and discussion on recruitment and retention
 - 1 day format
 - Lunch will be provided
- Sheila has been researching a banner to drape over our membership table at events
 - \$125-\$259 depending on what we want
 - Include the phrase "since 1947."
 - Decision to be made in the near future.

Treasurer (Jeanne Phelps)

- Proposed Budget
 - Income: \$9500.00
 - Expenses: \$22,435.00
 - Need to start being a little more frugal but still fund Leadership Academy and Meeting Delegates

Motion: Accept the proposed budget: Dan Southern
 2nd: Karen Sullivan
 Passed.

- Student lunches for CCC cost \$1400 which we weren't planning on
 - Burt Palmer sent \$1000 check to help defray costs

Nominations and Elections (Jeanne Whittlesey)

- Board of Directors: Jeremy Edwards, Jesse Frank
- Finance Committee: Susan Helms (absent)
- Nominations and Elections: Kathleen Schulman, Michelle Hybl (absent), Jeanne Phelps
- Delegates to National (All will get \$400 to help defray travel expenses)
 - Darian Hybl
 - Libby Haile

- Teresa Hutson (Alternate)
- Jesse Frank
- Tim Stegall

Government Affairs/PAC Chair (DeLayne McGehee-absent)

- Lisa and Jesse attended Leg Day
 - 150 People attended from ASCP, CLMA, ASCLS, and AMT
 - 120 were ASCLS members
 - Discussed the Personnel Shortage and lobbied for support of the reauthorization of the Workforce Investment act and reauthorization of the Title VII Allied Health Programs to include support of laboratory professions.
 - Discussed Modernizing the Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Fee schedule
 - Discussed the WCU program closure
- Cap Wiz was helpful when Competitive Bidding Legislation was being discussed.

PACE (Brenda Hamm)

- CE Organizer seems to be working well in other venues
 - Allows you to log in hours and get your certificate on-line
- Need speaker information at least 1 month in advance
- Will cost \$75.00 extra per year

Student Forum Chair (Mickey Yost)

- Developed High School Recruitment posters.
 - Contacted all school boards to get permission to post and has gotten a favorable response
 - Full Color, 8X10, cardstock
 - 500=\$75 and 1000=\$95
 - Dan is going to donate money for the first 1000 (THANK YOU DAN!!!)
- Made \$630 at Fall Focus
- Educators need to encourage students to do case studies to publish
 - Need to be submitted by 5/1 to be included in the poster competition at National

Fall Focus 2009 (Libby Haile)

- 1st Saturday in November (11/7) at Alamance Regional
 - Need to reconsider date as this is the same weekend as SEACM

District Chairs (Lisa Anderson)

- We do have money budgeted to cover some district event expenses
 - Drew's program went well
 - Courtney will be discussing a social/recruiting event with Karen

- Teresa wants to do a survey in her area to find out times and topics of interest.

Scientific Assemblies

- Nicole Pekarek is the new Blood Bank SA Chair
- The Education SA will meet tomorrow at 7:30
- Currently there is no organized Management SA

Publicity/NMLPW (Teresa Hutson)

- Haven't gotten up with AMT regarding Lab Week so there was not table this year
- Unfortunately a lot of places aren't doing much for Lab Week this year
 - Look on the website to get Lab Week Information Packet
 - Can send letters to the editor, television stations
 - Need to promote the profession to the public, not just internally.

CCC 2010 (Jeanne Whittlesey)

- Will be in NC this year
- Cancelled Sheraton contract due to financial concerns
 - They are willing to renegotiate with us (25% reduction)
- AMT looking into Crowne Plaza in Asheville
 - It is their year to chair
- Will continue to be a 3 day event as vendors want to keep supporting the event.

Installation of Officers (Jeanne Whittlesey)

- Board of Directors (Jeremy Edwards and Jesse Frank)
- Jeanne will be President 1 more year due to DeLayne's pregnancy
- Holly Owens will be the new Student Forum Chair
 - She is the current National Vice Chair
 - In a MLT→MT Program

Awards

- Keys to the Future (Awarded earlier in the Awards Ceremony at the General Session)
 - Tim Stegall
 - Jeremy Edwards
 - Drew Alston
- Student Leadership Award: Mickey Yost
- Professional Achievement Award-Chemistry: Kathleen Schulman
- Professional Achievement Award-Education: Pam Horton
- Professional Achievement Award-Microbiology: Jennifer Anderson
- Member of the Year: Karen Sullivan
- Omicron Sigma National
 - Lisa Anderson
 - Mickey Yost

- Donna Morgan
- Omicron Sigma Region III
 - Jeanne Whittlesey
 - Darian Hybl
 - DeLayne McGehee
- Omicron Sigma NCSCLS
 - Karen Sullivan
 - Jennifer Anderson
 - Jeanne Phelps
 - Drew Alston
 - Kathleen Schulman
 - Libby Haile
 - Brenda Hamm
 - Janis Milliken
- Certificate of Appreciation
 - DeLayne McGehee
 - Laine Stewart
 - LaVonda Benbow
 - Lisa Anderson
 - Dan Southern
 - Mary Anne Dotson
 - Pam Horton
 - Sheila Lloyd
 - Melissa Hyatt
 - Beck Laudicina
 - Courtney Robinson
 - Jay Gunter
 - Mike Little
 - Teresa Hutson
 - Jesse Frank
- Certificate of Appreciation to Non-Members who show continual support for NCSCLS (speaking at conferences)
 - Tim Randolph
 - Shirlyn Mckenzie
 - George Fritzma

Inspirational Dr. Seuss Reading (Jeanne Whittlesey)

- Thank You gift from Jeanne to everyone, a present of an apple (for health) with a quote (inspiration).

Adjourn

Motion: Jeremy Edwards
 Second: Teresa Hutson

Meeting Adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Anderson