



ASCLS-ID Board Meeting Minutes
Saturday December 12, 2009
9:30 am
Audio conference (208)381-5369

Mary Lay called the meeting to order at 9:30 am

Members in Attendance: Mary Lay, Liz Neighbor, Holly Weinberg, Karen Dixon-Hoskins, Diane Stumpf, Heather Gunter, DeAnna McMahon, Lorena Roberts, Debbie Shell

Holly Weinberg served as proxy for Diana Ernest

Minutes from the October 19th Board meeting had been electronically dispersed and were reviewed at this time. DeAnna McMahon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Motion was seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

President's Report, Mary Lay:

- Working with Brian Anderson on Website:
 - Added 2009 BOD meeting minutes.
 - Added membership flyer and mentoring brochure.
 - Added her picture to News and Events page- got permission to add other photos.
 - Encourage other members to submit photos.
- Membership campaign: contacted Robin and Jessica and encouraged them to join. Both sounded interested. Continue to make one-on-one contacts with non-members.
- Spring Convention: have been in contact with Scott Bradley and will continue to follow up.
- Responding to ASCLS National emails and requests.

Karen Dixon-Hoskins, President-Elect:

- Have been talking with Scott Bradley about Spring Convention. They came up with some names and ideas. It looks like things will begin to take shape.
- Membership contacts: Contacted three lapsed members and gave them a nudge to participate. Emailed someone from Rocky Mountain Diabetes. May contact her by phone. Will contact new employee, Jennifer Thompson, about joining.
- Spoke to an Aunt and Uncle that are politically active about licensure for our profession. They gave her names of legislators that we might contact about this issue. It may be possible to get something on the ballot for this year.

Heather Gunter, past President:

- Sent the student applications to Sherry Miner. 15 applications were mailed but two are pending due to insufficient funds. Sherry deposited \$130. We got a late application and another check for \$10. We will go ahead and supplement the latecomers if they pay.
- Need to get a \$20 check sent off to Sherry Miner

Diane Stumpf, Secretary:

- Sent spotlight into Diana Ernest
- Sent letter to legislator
- Looked at Website for the first time—Super!
- Will be the publicity chair for Spring Convention

Diana Ernest, Editor:

- Needs submissions for January newsletter
- Mary will send her information about the Spring Convention
- Discouraging contact with lapsed member brings opportunity to look for ways to improve.

DeAnna McMahon, Board Member 1st year:

- Made attempts to contact 8 people about lapsed memberships. 2 have moved, one very negative, one is divorced with no money and another has lost her job. Three more to go.
- Wanted to find out what membership does for our profession. Perhaps this will motivate people.
- Will contact two new students at the end of January. Ideas offered about how to make it easier. Pamphlet from the National website, invite them to look at our website.

Liz Neighbor, Board Member 2nd year:

- Attempts to contact lapsed members at St. Al's have been unsuccessful.
- Will continue to get new ideas about how to approach people.

Debbie Shell, Administrative Secretary:

- Filed annual report form for our incorporation electronically. Deadline is December 31st.

Holly Weinberg, Bylaws:

- No new news on bylaws.

Scott Bradley, Convention Chair:

- Report sent to Mary Lay.
- Theme is “Facing the Future”. Mary will submit this information to National.
- Send contact information to Scott for vendors, speakers, etc.
- Diane Stumpf, Publicity Chair; Debbie Shell, Registration; Keila Poulsen and Treva Bolton, Social Chairs; Laura and Dave Eisentrager, Exhibits; Susan Morris, Finance.
- Date May 6-8, 2010 at ISU
- He requested the Board to ask Eliza Passiment to be the key speaker but because we want to limit the number of speakers we support, we may want to look closer to home. Perhaps J.R. could speak.
- Presidential Officers could provide a class “ASCLS 101” for new members. Could follow outline “ASCLS for Dummies” put out by a task force.
- Looked at the possibility of having a “New Faces” meet and greet. Debbie can put a box on the registration form to check if you are new. Make their name badges recognizable.
- Heather will get the information from nationals and pass it on to Mary and Karen.

Debbie Shell, Government Affairs:

- Legislative Day March 13th. Need ideas for speakers. Could use Dr. Rob Dodson again. Holly is looking for a venue.
- Legislature 101 class.
- Debbie will provide a class at the Spring Convention about Government Affairs
- Get Diana the information about Legislative Day for January newsletter.

Heather Gunter, Membership Development:

- Will look at rosters again.
- Will send welcome note to new students.

Holly Weinberg, PACE:

- Needs to be in the loop for the Spring Convention.

Lorena Roberts, Professional Affairs:

- Children’s Miracle Network fundraiser she has three people ready to donate prizes.
- She will be in touch with Scott Bradley.

Old Business

- Website development: Mentoring brochure and membership flyer added, Hot Links to Region VIII states, Board Meeting Minutes 2009.
- Discussion about Board Member Access to edit website. It would require the purchase of software to support it. We decided that Brian is making changes in a timely manner and for the time being, Mary will channel all updates through him rather than purchase the software.
- Would like to go over the website with 2-3 other members to look for further changes and improvements, particularly to the home page. Karen and Heather volunteered. Ask input from those not on the board as a way to get them involved. DeAnna will ask Merlin Fullmer to help.

New Business

- Spring Convention planning
- National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week: April 18-24, 2010. Will discuss this more in February.
- Budget cuts made to ISU Med Tech program. Looking for other disciplines to put it with, perhaps pharmacy. As professionals, perhaps we can volunteer our time and knowledge to help out.
- Be aware of changes with ASCP/BOC. Mary will forward emails concerning this.

Announcements

- BOD meeting Feb 13, 2010—audio conference
- Idaho State Legislative Symposium: March 13, 2010
- ASCLS Legislative Symposium: March 15-16, 2010
- National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week: April 18-24, 2010
- Spring Convention: May 6-8, 2010
- ASCLS National Convention, Anaheim, CA: July 27-31, 2010

Heather made a motion to adjourn at 11:45 am. Motion was seconded by Liz, and carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Diane Stumpf