

NSCLS Fall Business Meeting
Sunday, October 12, 2008 Fremont, NE

Present: Tracey Vrba, Joyce Colombe, Linsey Donner, Karen Keller, Roxanne Alter, Shirley Noble and Chelsea Dockins
Connected via phone: Amy Stanley, Nicole Meier and Shana Jensen

1. President's Report: President Tracey Vrba reported that the Filter went out and the website is updated. She thanked Joyce Colombe for going to the President Elect meeting at the ASCLS meeting and getting the materials for her. She shared a hand out from the meeting. Tracey sent emails for the government affairs, leadership development committee and registration chair reports. Tracey reported on CAP whiz – members of ASCLS can use it to respond to government issues quickly. PAC will send something for the newsletter.

2. Secretary's Report – Joyce Colombe – no report at this time. She still needs the secretary books.

3. Treasurer's Report – Linsey Donner handed out a printout of the budget. She explained the items on the printout. There is \$1000 for seed money for the Spring Meeting.

4. Committee Reports:

A. Bylaws: Tracey will contact Anita Smith about this position.

B. Membership: Nicole Meier – no report. It was suggested that she could contact lapsed member, let members know what our lobbyists do, let members know about the Filter, check if their employer will pay for membership, etc.

C. PACE – Karen reported that she needs to find who from other states is the PACE chair. Electronic PACE has a fee of \$75/year. Electronic PACE may be used at the quad meeting this year. MediaLab Inc is an Online Learning service that costs subscribers \$95/yr. The state organization gets a royalty based on the number of subscriptions made from people using the link on our website.

D. Student Forum – Linsey reported that as a fund raiser the students sold raffle tickets for 2 tickets to a NE football game and a gift certificate to a Lincoln restaurant, the Blue Orchid. Linsey thanked Shirley Noble and Dwayne Ball for donation of the football tickets. The students are planning a social event at Dave and Buster's.

E. Filter – Courtney not present. If anyone has anything to put in the Filter, forward to Courtney. Committee reports can go in the next Filter. Martin will put the Filter on the website. There was a discussion about having only an electronic copy and sending a postcard or email to members to let them know to check the website.

F. Nominations:

President Elect – open

Junior Board Member – Lucas Christiansen

New Professional Co-Directors – Alicia Eisenmenger and Chelsea Dockins

Student Forum President – Whitney Gatz

Leadership Development – open

GAC, PAC, and Bylaws – open

G. ASCLS National Nominations – Roxanne Alter is the Region VI representative. Nominations are due 1/15/09. She reported that it is a 2 year commitment. Every region has a nomination person. There is cost associated with going to the meeting. The nomination task force chair for National organization has 6 members. This may be revamped. We need a Region VI director.

5. Old Business-

A. 2008 NSCLS Spring Meeting had a profit of \$7500. ASCP receives 25% and CLMA and NSCLS 75%. We need to thank Beth Sargent for the great job she did with the exhibitors. The Awards were given out Thursday night. However, not too many people stayed.

B. ASCLS Meeting in Washington, DC. Lindsey Donner and Joyce Colombe represented Nebraska in the House of Delegates. They both gave a report of the meeting. There was a discussion of the responsibilities of those going to the ASCLS meeting. Require people that go to submit PACE forms for reimbursement. If the State organization is paying your way, it will be expected that you attend the House of Delegates and the Region VI Caucus and any other meetings that are deemed appropriate. This statement will be added to the reimbursement form. It is expected that people share rooms as much as possible to keep the expenses down.

6. New Business –

A. Quad-State Meeting – April 29 – May 1 at the Mid America Center, Council Bluffs, IA The social event was discussed. Now Kansas and Iowa are in charge. Amy Stanley had no additional information. Amy cannot attend the Nov 1 and 2 meeting in Kansas City. Tracey and Roxanne are planning on attending.

B. Legislative Days are March 23-24, 2009. Check if the GAC or PAC Representatives would like to go. Linsey Donner and Roxanne Alter are willing to go.

C. Member Retention – we get student members and then they do not renew their membership. We have 2 New Professional Co-Directors that could work on this. They can contact the students, let them know about the ASCLS Beginners packet on the website, maybe have an alumni get together.

D. 2008-2009 Goals

- Get Electronically connected to the members
- Fill all the positions at the state level, especially President-Elect
- Have more regular meetings
- Improve communications – aim for 3 times.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Colombe
NSCLS Secretary