

April 19, 2012 ASCLS-NE Board Meeting

Attendees: Brad Hays, Marnie Imhoff, Zacadia Carstens, Martin Steinbeck, Kevin McGuire, Joyce Colombe, Linsey Donner, Roxanne Alter, Alicia Sherry, Chelsea Dockins-Reischl, Nicole Meier

1. Marnie shared the past 4 fiscal year budgets. Biggest expense is travel. We are currently taking money out of the money Market Account. This year we are currently in the negative. Roxanne talked about the expenses of the last National Meeting. We need delegates at the National Meeting. Roxanne suggested cutting the amount that ASCLS-NE pays for each person.
2. Marnie suggested fund raising to help with the expenses. We are not making money on the Money Market fund with the low interest rates.
3. Leadership academy needs to be funded.
4. Chelsea said that some people may need to pay their way.
5. If your business can pay for it, that may help. If students get the travel grant, they need to reimburse ASCLS-NE.
6. Linsey said we need to have a balanced budget. We need to take in as much as we spend.
7. Travel applications need to be filled out and the Board will decide who gets funds to go. Rooms can be shared. ASCLS-NE will match the funds up to \$1000 for students to go. That will be split up among the students. Students need to register for the meeting and apply for the Travel Grant before ASCLS-NE pays. Zacadia is planning on going to the meeting. She has already gotten the Beckman Travel Grant.
8. We need to change our SOP. National allows an additional delegate. Motion made by: Tracey Vrba/Nicole Meier. Moves that: SOP Article IX; Section B. should include the following addition: The Society shall have one New Professional to the ASCLS House of Delegates. Motion passed.
9. Currently the past president is in charge of nominating people for positions. Motion made by Tracey Vrba/Nicole Meier. Moves that: SOP Article X: A; 1; paragraph two have the following changes: The nominations committee shall consist of three professional members of this Society. The immediate Past President shall serve as chairperson of the committee. Members of the committee shall be the President-elect and the Leadership Development Chair. Motion passed.
10. Ideas for fund raising were discussed: Baseball and hockey ticket raffles, workshops. Roxanne's workshop attracted more nurses than laboratory professionals. Some raffles require registering with the state if you get over \$1000. Zacadia said some businesses would be willing to donate to the society. Hospitals and reference labs might be donors. We could put the donors on the web site.
11. Brad (President), Marnie (leadership academy), Chelsea (President Elect), Roxanne and Alicia are interested in attending the national meeting.
12. President, President elect and leadership academy are required to go. Others may have to pay their own way or see if there employer will help pay their way. We have to stick with the budget.
13. If we don't fund raise we will be in the negative. Currently, we have \$4000 budgeted for the national meeting.

14. A motion was made to reduce Legislative Days to \$3000 and have the ASCLS National Meeting one lump sum instead of separate line items. Motion passed.
15. Linsey discussed membership and getting people involved.
16. Linsey will check about the legality of getting donations from companies and posting that information on the Web Site.

ASCLS- NE Secretary,

Joyce Colombe