

Members present: President – Linsey Donner, Treasurer and Fundraising Committee Chair – Marnie Imhoff, Secretary – Joyce Colombe, Junior Board Member, New professional Committee Advisor, Awards Chair – Kevin McGuire, Student Forum President – Jasmine Clark, GAC/PAC Chair – Roxanne Alter, Filter Editor, Scholarships/Loans – Andrea Schank, Membership Committee – Ashley Collins.

Board Leadership Reports:

1. **President Report:** Linsey Donner reported the creation of a List Serve for ASCLS-NE available for all states through National. This may encourage people to become members, discuss topics they want to discuss. J.R. Constance is setting up the List Serve. Email will go out to members. There are new email addresses for leadership positions. Linsey will send out passwords. Region VI asked for 6 moderators and IT people for the Quad meeting. Linsey will send out a Doodle poll for the January meeting. We can try to have it in Lincoln or Grand Island. On-line storage of records has been delegated to Martin Steinbeck and Ashley Collins. Google drive is a possibility. Some of the older records are stored at the UNMC library. Linsey is the contact person. We can add items to the storage if necessary. Some of the more recent records have been lost. National website will not be reformatted. Small sections will change. Linsey asked Martin and Ashley Collins to go through our website, get rid of old material, update some items.

2. **Treasurer Report:** Marnie reported that the fund raising committee met with a goal of raising \$2000. Ideas were a Pampered Chef virtual show, order of draw charms, cups, totes, expanded raffles, continuing education. PAC is also doing a raffle. Fund-raising will need to be discussed more in January.

3. **Secretary Report:** The ASCLS-NE minutes from the August 20, 2012 were emailed earlier.

4. **Junior Board Member:** Kevin and Alicia will be going to the Lucky Bucket on Wednesday to look at the room and see if it will work for the social for the Quad Meeting. Linsey reported that the Lucky Bucket no longer has a separate room for meetings. They can do a tour and a group can bring in tables, chairs, outside food, pop. They sell beer and rum and are open until 9PM and can stay until midnight. The group can do Karaoke or play music. The Lucky Bucket has someone that can go through the Microbiology/Chemistry part of the process. Alicia needs to check with the Quad planning committee.

5. **Student Forum President:** Jasmine Clark reported that they will be discussing fund raising at the next conference call. Ideas include selling T-shirts or scrub tops with the goal of being able to hand them out at the Quad meeting.

Other Leadership Reports:

1. **Filter Editor:** Andrea thanked contributors for the articles for the Filter.

2. **Membership Committee:** Tiffany Colvin absent due to surgery. Linsey reported that the committee had met. Some items discussed were a survey to lapsed members – why they didn't

renew – most are students that do not continue as first year professionals. First year professionals cannot renew online due to the website. Information regarding professional organization and what it is doing could be emailed to members. Currently, there is 125 members in ASCLS-NE.

3. **Leadership Development Committee:** Tracey Vrba, Marnie, Linsey, and Roxanne met and worked on the handbook. They compared the by-laws to the manual so that in overlaps. Tracey is finishing up some positions and will have more to look at on March 1 so that it can be approved at the April meeting. Tracey asked for help with formatting and editing. Ashley Collins will put it on the website.

4. **GAC/PAC:** Roxanne stated that the major concern is cuts to Medicare. There will be more to report after January. Roxanne would like to do a CE activity. Last time when she did one in Kearney and Grand Island, it was well attended. Science café format was suggested .

5. **Website Committee:** Ashley Collins is trying to find a way for Martin to share information for website building.

6. **Bylaws:** Anita Smith had emailed that Hanna Zane will need to check if our bylaws are in line with the National Bylaws. It is mostly a wording issue.

7. **Travel and Reimbursement Policy:** Roxanne reported that the policy is more specific as to what will be paid. We need to stay in budget and it needs to benefit the organization.

8. **Shirley Noble Award:** Joyce Colombe reported that the committee would like to suggest renaming the Filter Award the Shirley Noble Award. The committee felt that the criteria that was being developed for the Shirley Noble Award was very similar to the qualifications for the Filter Award. Roxanne did not want to change the Filter Award name. She stated that there should be 2 awards. The Shirley Noble award could include criteria such as mentoring and a long-time member of the organization. Joyce will take the information back to the committee.

Reminder: Legislative Applications are due December 18.

ASCLS-NE Secretary,

Joyce Colombe