



AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE – PENNSYLVANIA
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Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting
May 2, 2021
Meeting via Zoom

Present: Mary Ann Downes, President; Travis Bicher, President-Elect; Joshua Cannon, Past President; Barbara Snyderman, Secretary; Nassouh Mourabet, Treasurer; Katie Franz, Gabriella Peterson and Katie Franz, Board of Directors; Emily Kamieniecki, Ascending Professional; Dana Staranowski, Developing Professional

Members Present: Scott Aikey, Sharon Strauss, Erin Henry, Mary Gourley, Jonathan Meyer, Bill Hunt

President Downes called the meeting to order at 4 PM.

President Downes appointed Scott Aikey Parliamentarian.

The President shared the agenda.

Motion 1: Barbara Snyderman moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Cannon. Motion carried.

Motion 2: Mary Gourley moved to approve the minutes of the 2020 Annual Business Meeting. Katie Franz seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Nassouh Mourabet presented the report for the period ending 4/30/2021. He noted that money was added for a Zoom license for the coming year.

Motion 3: Scott Aikey moved that the Annual Business Meeting members approve the operating fund report ending 4/30/2021 and file for audit. Katie Franz seconded. Motion carried.

Motion 4: Scott Aikey moved to accept the Treasurer's report for the Scholarship fund dated 4/30/2021 and file for audit. Katie Franz seconded. Motion carried.

Motion 5: Scott Aikey moved that the Annual Business Meeting members approve a \$1000 undergraduate scholarship to Jonathan Meyer. Be it noted: This is a replacement for a check lost in 2019. Katie Franz seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Mary Gourley reported she had nominees for all awards but was concerned about the lack of nominations and that all required to vote had not.

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Bylaws: Mary Gourley presented her report. There were a few updates required to the bylaws regarding meeting virtually and dissolution of the society.

Motion 6: Mary Gourley moved that the Annual Business Meeting members adopt the following:

1. Article VIII.C.3 (Annual Business Meeting) In circumstances such as disasters, epidemics, and pandemics, the Board of Directors of this Society may convene the Annual Business Meeting as a virtual or hybrid (virtual/face-to-face) meeting.
2. Notice of the Annual Business Meeting shall be given at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting. Barbara Snyderman seconded. Motion carried. There were 12 affirmative votes and 1 abstention.

Motion 7: Mary Gourley moved that the Annual Business Meeting members adopt the following amendment by inserting the following:

Article XVII (Dissolution)

- A. This corporation may be dissolved as hereafter prescribed:
 1. The motion to dissolve shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors of this Society.
 2. The recommendation of the Board of Directors, with justification, shall be submitted in writing to the members of this Society no less than sixty (60) days prior to the Annual Business Meeting.
 3. Adoption of a motion to dissolve shall require a two-thirds vote of the members at the ASCLS-PA Annual Business Meeting.
- B. In the event of dissolution, the properties and assets then owned by the corporation shall be dispersed as follows:
 1. There shall be final and full payment of all legal obligations without liability to any individual members.
 2. The rest and residual of any property and assets of the corporation shall go to any appropriate designated charitable, scientific, or educational organization, institutional, or professional membership organization recommended by the Board of Directors and approved by a two-thirds vote of the members at the ASCLS-PA Annual Business Meeting.
- C. In the event of dissolution, in no way shall any assets or property go to or be distributed to any members, either for the reimbursement of any sums submitted, donated, or contributed by such members or for any such private purposes.

BE IT NOTED: Article XVII is being relocated from the Standard Operating Procedures into the Bylaws. adopt article 17 Dissolution.

Barbara Snyderman seconded. Motion carried. There were 12 affirmative votes and 1 abstention.

Career Recruitment: Jean Buchenhorst: Verbal report: There were no activities due to

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the pandemic.

Con Ed Assistanceship: Two applications were received.

Education Scientific Assembly: Ed Beitz sent a written report. There is a meeting scheduled for early June which will be virtual. No funds are requested.

Government Affairs: No report. President Downes noted that Legislative Day activities will be in October, 2021 in Washington, DC.

File Custodian: Bill Hunt reported files are safely stored in his attic.

Finance Committee: Scott Aikey said that all entries as of the 8/31/2020 audit were correct and all funds were accounted for perfectly.

Leadership Development: Barbara Snyderman had nothing to report.

Membership Development: President Downes reported that ASCLS-PA has 210 members and it is time to renew membership. We have lost a few professional category members but that may be due to the Ascending professionals 5 year membership. National is increasing engagement with members via social media.

Newsletter: Joshua Cannon has stepped down as Editor in Chief. Jonathan Meyer was appointed the new EIC.

Barbara Snyderman asked the Annual Business Meeting members to commend Joshua for his years of service as editor.

PACE: Katie Franz stated she approved a few virtual sessions this year and 8 for the annual meeting.

PAC: No report

Social Media: Gabriella Peterson reported she is monitoring Instagram posts as needed. Stephanie Noblit is monitoring Facebook.

WebMaster: Sharon Strauss presented her written report.

Developing Professional: Dana Staranowski arranged the student review session for June 5 from 8-4. It will be virtual.

Ascending Professional: Emily Kamienieski: Nothing to report.



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T-Shirt sales: Jonathan Meyer said sales have been slow but he has not advertised the shirt yet.

Delaware Valley Chapter: Jean Buchenhorst said the chapter had a CE event in February with a speaker from the American Red Cross. The chapter sold masks as a fundraiser.

New Business

President-elect Bicher said the summer leadership meeting will be in July or August. Date to follow.

Elections:

President Downes called for nominations for President-Elect. None were submitted.

Motion 8: Barbara Snyderman moved to close the nominations for President Elect. Sharon Strauss seconded. Motion carried.

President Downes called for nominations for the remaining one-year term for secretary. No more were submitted.

Motion 9: Sharon Strauss moved to close the nominations for a 1-year term for secretary. Gaby Peterson seconded. Motion carried.

President Downes called for nominations for Treasurer. No more were submitted.

Motion 10: Barbara Snyderman moved to close the nominations for Treasurer. Sharon Strauss seconded. Motion carried.

President Downes called for nominations for Board of Directors. No more were submitted.

Motion 11: Mary Gourley moved to close the nominations for Board of Directors. Travis Bicher seconded. Motion carried.

President-Elect: Vacant
Secretary: Barbara Snyderman
Treasurer: Bill Hunt
Board of Directors: Gabriella Peterson

Motion 12: Mary Gourley moved to elect all by acclamation. Travis Bicher seconded.



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Motion carried.

ASCLS-PA new logo: There was discussion on the proposed logos and one was selected after discussion.

Motion 13: Travis Bicher moved that the Annual Business Meeting members approve the proposed ASCLS-PA logo. Mary Gourley seconded. Motion carried.

Delegates to ASCLS Annual Meeting in Louisville, KY

President Downes called for interested persons to identify as available to serve as delegates.

Motion 14: Barbara Snyderman moved that the Annual Business Meeting members approve Bill Hunt, Joshua Cannon and Sharon Strauss as Delegates to the ASCLS Annual Meeting and Scott Aikey, Mary Gourley and Katie Franz as alternates. Travis Bicher seconded. Motion carried.

Delegate funding:

Motion 15: Barbara Snyderman moved that the Annual Business Meeting members approve funding of registration for the ASCLS 2021 Delegates from the Delegate Line item. Joshua Cannon's registration should also be funded from the Delegate line item in lieu of his funding as President to the 2020 Annual Meeting. Gaby Peterson seconded. Motion carried.

Motion 16: Scott Aikey moved that the Annual Business Meeting members fund the registration for the Developing Professional to the ASCLS Annual Meeting from the Student Forum line item. Joshua Cannon seconded. Motion carried.

2021-2022 Budget: Treasurer Mourabet presented the budget for the coming year.

Motion 17: Nassouh Mourabet moved to adopt the 2021-2022 budget as amended. Travis Bicher seconded. Motion carried.

2022 Annual Meeting: Sharon Strauss volunteered to be General Chair and Joshua Cannon volunteered to be program chair. Meeting is scheduled for May 15-16, 2022.

Installation of officers: President Downes installed the officers for 2021-2022.

There was no further business.

Motion 18: Joshua Cannon moved to adjourn the Annual Business Meeting at 6:39 pm.

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Sharon Strauss seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Barbara Snyderman
Secretary.