

## ASCLS-SD Annual Meeting - Aberdeen SD

May 3, 2007

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ASCLS Meeting Minutes  
Aberdeen, Annual Spring Meeting  
Noon, May 3, 2007

Lori Murray (Pres.) called the meeting to order. There were about 30+ members attending. Lori summarized the Jan. and March BOD meeting minutes and went through the budget.

- Fall meeting in Sioux Falls brought in excellent profit for ASCLS-SD.
- There is a membership focus—we are moving students up to 1<sup>st</sup> YP and developing a task force to look at membership needs.
- Nat'l membership and recruitment of new state members has been discussed at BOD.
- Nat'l meeting is July 17-22 in San Diego
- Changes including moving the 3 day meetings of ASCLS-SD to the fall are posted on the website.

We have budgeted \$16,750 revenue with expenditures for leg days, nat'l, scholarships, support back to Region V (\$12,000 allocated), publications, science fairs, membership development.

Awards were presented to many members for longevity and state/regional/national Omicron Sigma. Deb Pravecek is the member of the year! The two keys to the future are Shirley Heber and Mary Jo Rohrbach.

Society Report: (refer to website)

- Leadership Academy at Nat'l. The applications are being taken now.
- Competitive bidding: ASCLS-SD collaborated with CLMA Siouxland on this topic. Bill Hofer and Lezlee Koch met with SDAHO; SDAHO printed a position paper regarding concerns with competitive bidding.
- Legislative Day Report—Deb Piper summarized the main issues from Legislative Days: educational program support and competitive bidding.

Membership is 131 (right before the meeting). We stay in this range traditionally. ½ of the 90 registrants to this meeting were non-members. We need to focus on the value of membership. ASCLS helps with recognition, education, legislative issues, networking. As folks join/renew to ASCLS-SD Lori would like to send their employer a letter commenting on the member's commitment to the profession/contributions.

Publications: Our newsletter website won 1<sup>st</sup> place for web based newsletter at Nat'l. Lori said that ASCLS-SD is looking for help with publications and corporate sponsorship for the newsletter.

Region V report (Lezlee):

- Lezlee has been traveling to all the states spring meetings.
- ASCLS is Alive in Region V
- National membership numbers are up; over 10,000 members nationally.
- Nat'l is conducting member and non-member surveys.
- Leadership Academy: Lezlee wants this to go to the state level.
- The Nat'l Task Force Initiatives are:
  - Practice Levels and Educational Levels
  - Prof. Doctorate Task Force
  - Gov'n Affairs
  - Patient Safety Task Force

- ASCLS/ASCP Collaborative Task Force
- NCA/BOR discussions
- CDC 2007: dealing with critical issues in Health Lab Practice and Professional Testing Workgroup

ASCLS is going through web page redesign and e-news development.  
If states are strong—regional will be strong—Nat'l will be strong.

Region V Website & Info: <http://www.ascls-sd.org/id35.html>

Scholarship Recipients:

CLS students: Nicholas Gan and Travis Nelson

CLT student: Christel Jonker

Student forum rep: Michael Woolheater

Elections:

The nominating committee (Mona Gleysteen) presented the following slate of candidates who were unanimously elected.

President: Lori Murray (motion by Deb Piper; 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob Jensen)

VP: Mike Andersen (motion by Deb Piper; 2<sup>nd</sup> Tami Svatos)

2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Susan Lopez (motion by Lezlee; 2<sup>nd</sup> Deb Piper)

BOD at Large: Nancy Schweitzer and Kelly Thomas (motion by Deb Piper; 2<sup>nd</sup> Ruth McFarland)

YP Member at Large: Tanya Stuckey (motion by Lezlee; 2<sup>nd</sup> Susan Lopez)

Nominations: Deb Piper and Mona Gleysteen (motion by Pam Kieffer; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kathryn Becker)

The next meeting will be in Rapid City (a 1 day meeting) in Sept. There is a Region V-Tri State meeting in Fargo in October 1-3.

Lori addressed changing the 3 day meetings to the fall. Many are too busy in May and students can't usually come so ASCLS-SD will be moving the 3 day meeting to fall (Oct). Andrea Schaub will be the chair of the spring 2008 meeting in Chamberlain and is looking for help.

Lori has slots on the leadership roster and is looking for volunteers.

Mike Andersen moved to adjourn. Mona Gleysteen seconded