



<b>DATE:</b>	Friday, March 16, 2017
<b>TIME:</b>	11:00am
<b>LOCATION:</b>	Grove Park Asheville. NC

## NCUS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**MEETING CALLED BY:** Mike Foster

**MINUTES TAKEN BY:** Rhonda Thomas

### ATTENDEES PRESENT

Devon Allred	Emily Bouchard	Dr. John Cotton	Laura Currie
Michelle Dail	Amy Dela Cruz	Mike Foster	Dara Garces
Angela Hansen	Jeff Jewell	Brian Kilpatrick	Chris Mann
Amber Mccraw	Bridget Niemeyer	Amy Safrit	Mark Schubring
Diana Strickland	Rhonda Thomas	Marta Thorup	Cristy Webster
David Wood	Kathy Zeigler		

### ATTENDEES ABSENT:

Dena Smith	Hudson O'Keefe		
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### APPROVAL OF MINUTES | Presented by: Mike Foster

**Discussion:** Marta indicated there was a duplicate section on page 3. Mike made a motion and Marta seconded.

**Conclusion:** Motion passed with correction made

### Treasure's Report | Presented by: Dr. John Cotton

**Discussion:** Budget came out with the minutes and we were doing well, we would evaluate our status after the Spring meeting.

### Unfinished Business | Presented by Mike Foster

**Discussion:** 2019 Contract was signed for the Concord Embassy Suite

**Discussion:** Diana mentioned there is an OB meeting in Concord in February and it will be an annual meeting. There was also an OB meeting in Wilmington, NC on a much smaller scale in March.

**Discussion:**

### **-Regional Meeting on a Smaller Scale Presented by Mike Foster**

**Discussion:** Mike suggested that we have Regional Meetings on a smaller scale, no Fall meeting in 2018. We need to focus on a single modality and offering evening meetings, CME's offered for an online course on our website - (50 minute session for 1 CME - Laura stated)

- Diana said that we could do a recorded session (presently doing for the AIUM) do live so you can ask questions
- Discussion about forming a committee to investigate all issues
- Mike suggested that we increase our dues by \$5. Perhaps we should see what our costs are before we increase our dues.

Motion made to form a committee Jeff Jewell, Mike Foster, Diana Strickland, Amy Dela Cruz, Cristy Webster

Chris Mann offered to participate in the first webinar-Ad Hoc Committee

**Conclusion:** Remarks

<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY</b>	<b>DATE TO BE ACTIONED BY</b>
<b>Committee will meet to discuss</b>	Jeff, Mike, Diana, Chris, Cristy and Amy	
Webinar	Chris	

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### **Symposium Committee | Presented by: Mike Foster**

**Spring Symposium - Meeting is going well. (Heart Dissection 12:30- 4)**

Prevention Meeting - Grove Park met with Mike, Cristy and Laura

**Fall Symposium -** Mike reported Fall 2017 at The Friday Center October 21st (Courtyard Marriott is closest hotel)

2 breakout sessions: Abd/Vascular and OB/Echo

**Conclusion:** Remarks

### **Finance Committee | Presented Dr. John Cotton**

**Discussion:** - Nothing new to report

Bank of America still has our investments; Savings account

**Conclusion:** Remarks

### **Nominating Committee | Presented Cristy Webster**

**Discussion:** Devon reported that we will have a lot Board members leaving in 2018 - anyone who was nominated and were not elected last year should be nominated again - get as much contact information as possible

Board Members consider nominating our mentees. Mentees can nominate themselves also.

**Conclusion:** Remarks

ACTIONS	ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY	DATE TO BE ACTIONED BY
Check for nominees on Google Doc after meeting	Devon	November 2017

**Membership Committee | Presented Brian Kilpatrick**

**Discussion:** Active: 230    Affiliate: 3    Student: 151    Honorary: 6

Registrants - 303

**Discussion:** Laura reported - Membership lasts for 1 year - To register at the student rate you have to be enrolled in a sonography program.

**Education Committee | Presented by Amber McCraw**

**Discussion:** Mentee update - May 14th last day of school for Emily Bouchard

Amber had 4 applications for the Mentee Program (3 from one region and 1 from another) - she let the program director choose between 2 from one program.

She needs mentors volunteers - you don't have to be an educator to be a mentor. Email was the biggest contact - questions asked and answered. Mostly communication. After being a mentee you can be elected as a BOD nominee.

2 colleges have applied to start new Sonography Programs (Sanford and Charlotte)

There are presently 8 Accredited Programs in NC.

Educator's meeting at 2:30

**Communications Committee | Presented by Marta Thorup**

**Discussion:** Go to Live FB feed after this weekend - Marta will do a "Live feed" tonight - opening and final round. No time limit. Go to FB and Social media and like and comment on NCUS - share it and post any pictures

**Conclusion:**

**BYLAWS/POLICIES & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE | Presented by: Chris Mann**

**Discussion:** Nothing to report

**NCUS FOUNDATION COMMITTEE | Presented by: Marta Thorup**

**Discussion:** Marta reported that we have \$2,000.00. Applications will be taken from 12/15/2017 - 2/15/2017 (2 month application period)

**Conclusion:** Committee will review applications, see if they are eligible, Essay prompts (14 days will be allowed for the essays and they will determine a winner and the winner will come to the NCUS Convention in Myrtle Beach)

#### **STUDENT COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE | Presented by: Chris Mann**

**Discussion:** Chris said they were ready. Angela Hansen volunteered to be scorekeeper  
Michelle and Marta volunteered to be judges for the Quiz Bowl

#### **WEB SITE COMMITTEE | Presented by: Mark Schubring**

**Discussion:** We need to add June 4, 2016, October 22, 2016, January 7, 2017 minute to the website  
Mike will send a Shout-out to Dr. Cathy Daniels

#### **SONOGRAPHER EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE | Presented by: Rhonda Thomas**

**Discussion:** We have a winner.

**Conclusion:** Nominees for next year will be on Google Drive after the meeting

#### **LEGISLATIVE WATCH COMMITTEE | Presented by: Mike Foster**

**Discussion:** Mike said nothing new to report and does not know what is going on. Not sure about new funding for Sonographers, concerned since he will be doing research.

**Conclusion:**

#### **New Business | Presenter Cristy Webster**

1. 2017 Goals and BOD Calendar: Cristy will update a calendar and hopefully be able to keep updated on Google Drive
2. Election of Officers and Committee
3. Dr. Cotton suggested that we give Laura a bonus - all in favor - Dr. Cotton will meet with Cristy on an amount
4. Laura is thinking of retiring from her position in 2019 - she would like to train someone for a while. Laura reported that it is hard for the committees to do some of the things that have been assigned to them because she has access to information they need, such as membership rosters, etc... The Duties Comparison Tables can be worked on in the coming year.
5. Discussion was made to allow for \$100.00 - donation for immediate family member death or remembrance
6. David reported on behalf of John Cassell Randolph Community College has expressed interest in starting a Medical Sonography Program. He asks that other programs to join in opposing the program. Mike Foster will write Renee Batts on behalf of NCUS that we don't feel a need for this and that we oppose the opening of another program. The field is saturated with sonographers. Mike Foster will compose a letter (as current president) and send it to the Board and we will let him know our thoughts. Amber will get with Mike after the educators meeting with information.

**Next BOD Meeting** - June 3rd @ 10:00am Cape Fear Community College, Union Station Building

**Meeting Adjourned: 1:26pm**

**SECRETARY APPROVAL:**

*(Signature & Date)*

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