

NCUS BOARD MEETING
Friday Center – Chapel Hill, NC
Saturday, October 30, 2010

Present: John Cotton, Jill Millard, Rhonda Thomas, Diana Strickland, Alice Bradley, Brian Kilpatrick, Laura Currie, Allison Grant, Rachel White, Karen Fowle, Tonya Howell, Monica Meredith, Janet Ellis, Dave Wood, Cathy Godwin.

Call to order: 4:35 pm

Comments: Alice thanked everyone for pitching in and helping with the Fall Meeting. She asked for comments from attendees. Alice introduced Rachel White and Karen Fowle as the newest members of the board. All board members introduced themselves. We made \$100 at the 50/50 raffle.

Secretary: Minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer: We made a \$20K profit at the last meeting. Hopefully we can continue to make profit at upcoming meetings. Budget cuts have helped us in this endeavor. 2011 proposed budget presented, and we should make at least \$10K if we keep within the proposal. Approved as presented.

Nominating: Allison has nominations from Spring meeting and will acquire those from Fall meeting. She will have all eligible nominations to Susan by January 2011.

Membership: 386 total members, 253 active, 106 students, 5 affiliate, 6 honorary. Since we've done the extra month, we have obtained 50 renewals.

Education: Student mentoring program discussed at last meeting. Laura and Cathy have reworked from Respiratory Society's program. The program will be announced at the next meeting. The "golden probe" is full. We were asked for donation of an old probe. It was suggested to instead move the names up on the plaque or perhaps create a plaque to hand out to the winners. Quiz bowl committee will look into this.

Bylaws: Nothing to report.

Communications: Newsletter went out. Next deadline is January and we need articles. Last two have been sparse.

Sonographer Excellence: After last meeting, all documents were reviewed and made neater. Need to get nominees from Spring and Fall meeting, and Cathy and Tonya will evaluate for eligibility. Allison will help.

Legislative: Watching Care Bill. Committee on SDMS is asking for state licensure in NC. Alice will have information next week. We have been asked as a society for our input. If we are covered under federal law, why is there a need for state licensure? Sergio will come back and give an update on the Care Bill in the Spring.

Web page: Webmaster is having third child in Feb. There will be a few months she will not be working hard. Susan will be able to edit job postings and update easy stuff in the interim. This will help with cost and efficiency. Rhonda has some suggestions for items to be placed on website such as bylaws, guidelines, applications, quiz bowl, committee guidelines, etc.

Symposium: Pam Burgess will be helping Alice. We have a tentative list of speakers. One national speaker in Abd. Alice has asked Laura Hamilton to do a lunch and learn. She would like an e-vote on whether we would like to have this speaker/lunch and learn or as a separate session. It was suggested we do this as the first session after lunch. Another suggestion was to open all rooms and have all attendees in one session, perhaps 8 am. Pam Burgess is going to do a workshop for accreditation in echo. Allison suggested Dr. Mertz\, but we still need a couple echo and abdomen speakers.

Quiz Bowl: Guidelines have been established. Redoing PowerPoint and mixing it up to alleviate familiarity with the questions. New cases are needed and should be sent electronically. Teams are to submit questions when they enroll to participate.

Fall Meeting: Rhonda - Thinking about changing the next Fall meeting to Carolina Beach Marriott. This can be done for less money than Friday Center. They will give good rates for rooms, etc. The motion was passed.

Old Business: Cathy and Laura have guidelines for mentor/mentee program. 2012 location and 2013 location were discussed.

Reorganized duties to take some responsibilities from Susan in order to allow her to take pay cut and give the board some of the responsibility. Alice asked everyone to look over new list of responsibilities and give her comments in order to clarify and create timelines. We will finalize in January.

New Business: Susan will have new contract reflecting reduction in her pay. Two board members have resigned. We have emailed the next in line and have not heard from them. Alice will contact them again. If no response, a member at large can be nominated.

Next meeting January 22, 2011 in Greensboro, at Women's Hospital, 10 am.

Adjourn 5:45.