

**North Carolina Ultrasound Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
The Friday Center, Chapel Hill. N.C.  
October 25, 2008**

**Present: Steven Penny, Rhonda Thomas, Diana Strickland, Dr. John Cotton, Teresa Jones, Laura Currie, Pam Burgess, Wendy Barnhardt, Alice Bradley, Alison Grant, Tina Cole, Tonya Howell, Glenda Sandman, Susan Collins.**

**Call to order- Steven Penny, NCUS President, called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.**

**Secretary's report-** With no corrections needed a motion was made to accept the minutes as written and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's report-** The income from the fall meeting was \$5,700. There were over one hundred people registered. He said we should meet our goal for expenses. The fiscal year will be shifted from July to June. That will enable us to reflect both meetings.

**Committee reports-**

**Finance- Dr. Cotton -** No report

**Nominating- Alison Grant, Tina Cole**

Alison and Tina will have a report at the spring meeting. It was brought up that Board member Crystal Bryant had not attended any of the board meetings and should she be replaced. Susan Collins had attempted to contact her by mail as well as e-mail and she had not responded. A vote of the members present was held and it was approved to replace Crystal. A registered letter will be sent to her regarding this decision. Discussion followed on how to appoint members to the board for unexpired terms. It was decided to ask the next highest vote to replace her. Susan will see who had the next highest votes. Crystal's term, when filled, will run through 2010.

**Membership- Alison Grant, Cathy Godwin**

Alison reported there are 509 total members in the NCUS. There are 343 active members, 149 student members, 11 affiliate members, and 6 honorary members.

**Education- Alice Bradley, Cathy Godwin**

The program at Cleveland College has gained approval. This will be the tenth school in North Carolina but the only one that is totally online. It will offer no lab time at all. The students will each be responsible for obtaining their own preceptor site. SDMS National Education Curriculum has been accepted. N.C. has different requirements for accreditation.

**Bylaws/Policies and Procedures- Tina Cole, Alison Grant**

A motion was made to amend the Bylaws requiring members to attend at least two meetings per year. It was second. The motion carried. The change will be a revision of Article III, section 4 in the Board members Handbook. Another possible amendment was discussed to reflect filling unexpired board members terms of office. It was agreed to

send this for a vote of the general membership in March at the Spring Symposium. **(what was the discussion – How were the seats to be filled?)**

**Communication- Tina Cole, Christina Britt**

The newsletter was to have gone out but the Web person has not been available. Susan is trying to locate someone to replace him. The budget for this is four hundred dollars per year. Steven suggested the Web Committee try to help Susan.

**Sonographer Excellence- Rhonda Thomas, Teresa Jones**

There have been 34 nominations. Rhonda and Teresa are evaluating each.

**Legislative Watch- Diana Strickland, Pam Burgess**

The CARE Bill has been tabled for now. SDMS is in favor of the bill. The state of Oregon has already passed a bill. The CARE bill will be modeled after theirs. Pam reported there is a new International Contrast Society forming. It is free to join.

**Web Page- Wendy Barnhardt, Chris Mann**

Responses have been good for the web page. It has proven to be a good design. A calendar of events may be added.

**Symposium- Steven Penny**

Steven reported Dr. Kremkau was agreeable to splitting the Friday session at the Spring Symposium. Morning session will be 8:00-11:00 with an afternoon session from 3:00-5:00. The board meeting will be from 3:00-5:00. Steven is continuing to enlist speakers. The BOD members were reminded to let Susan know if we are planning to attend. Also, members should take responsibility to volunteer with the many things which have to be done in order for us to have a successful meeting. Bags have to be filled, the registration desk has to be manned, and at the end of the meeting, certificates have to be handed out among other duties. Pam Burgess pointed out that often our meeting was in conflict with other major groups. An attempt will be made to obtain future dates for those other meetings.

**Quiz Bowl- Chris Mann, Laura Currie**

The quiz bowl will be held at 7:30 on Friday at the Spring Symposium. Board members are encouraged to attend.

**Fall Meeting- Rhonda Thomas, Alice Bradley, Teresa Jones**

There had been many comments from registrants concerning the lack of Echo speakers. Pam Burgess, Chris Mann, and Wendy Barnhardt offered to be speakers if another tract was added. At this point it was decided to look at redefining the two tracts we have.

**Old Business- None**

**New Business- None**

**Next BOD meeting will be scheduled for 10:00am January 17, 2009 at Rex Healthcare in Raleigh, N.C.**

**Respectfully submitted, Glenda Sandman**