



North Carolina Society for  
Clinical Laboratory Science

**Minutes**  
**Summer Board Meeting 2009**  
Cary, NC  
June 20, 2009

Meeting called to order at 09:30 a.m. by Jeanne Whittlesey.

**Members Present:** Jennifer Anderson, Jeanne Phelps, Pam Horton, Janis Milliken, Jesse Frank, Lisa Anderson, Michele Hybl, Darian Hybl, Nicole Pekarek, Holly Owns, Mickey Yost, Jeanne Whittlesey, Sheila Lloyd, Karen Sullivan, Kathleen Schulman, Mary Ann Dotson

**Minutes Committee:** Nicole Pekarek  
Lisa Anderson

**Sergeant at Arms:** Mickey Yost

**Parliamentarian:** Jeanne Phelps

**President** (Jeanne Whittlesey)

- Please update the leadership roster
- Region III Report
  - Tim Has finished his 3 year term and Hassan Aziz is taking over.
  - Reviewed the ASCLS Vision Statement and Core Values.
  - ASCLS Budget
    - 2008: Profit of \$16,541
      - Hired a Part Time Administrative Assistant for Elisa Passiment.
      - Started New Member Service, CapWiz, and Ebyte newsletter.
        - Let Jeanne know if you aren't getting Ebyts and she will forward it to you.
    - 2009 Budget expected to break even
      - CLEC and Annual Meeting attendance down
      - Revenues for NMPLW and Publications down
      - Membership revenue is critical
        - Need 13,500 members to fund organization

- Make sure you renew your membership and remind others to as well.
- Membership down 100 compared to last year (9,642 as of 3/29/09)
  - Lose about 2,000/year
  - NC Current Membership: 216 (244 last year)
    - Kathleen has been sending out post cards and other membership activities.
  - ASCLS dues increased
    - PF1: \$92→\$97
    - PF2: \$72→\$75
- 2009 ASCLS Chicago Changes
  - Trying to ↑ attendance, ↓ cost, ↓ length, include breakfast and lunch
  - Some changes can't occur until 2012.
  - All sessions 1 hour
  - 2 dedicated exhibit times
  - Lunch included on Friday
  - Region Meetings Friday at 7:30
  - No TNT: Texas and Tennessee aren't sponsoring anymore.
  - Awards Thursday Evening
  - Closing Session Friday evening
  - House of Delegates on Saturday
    - Jeanne will meet with delegates after lunch
- 2009 Legislative Symposium: March 23-24
  - 158 attendees including AMT, ASCLS, CLMA, and ASCP
  - Discussion
    - Modernization Fee and Collection Fee (Reimbursements)
    - Personnel Shortages
- NMLPW April 19-25: Lab Professionals Get Results
- Congratulations to Lisa Anderson! 2009 Leadership Academy Graduate.
- BOR-ASCP and NCA agreed to Unite
- ASCLS Today will now be 6 paper copies and 4 electronic copies/year
- Day without the Laboratory Video was completed January 26.
- A Life Saved: Laboratory Professionals Make a Difference can be found at [www.ascls.org/leadership/ppc/lifesavedvideo.asp](http://www.ascls.org/leadership/ppc/lifesavedvideo.asp).
- New Educational Products and Services
  - ASCLS
  - DNA MedEd Cafe
  - Focus articles online quiz
  - ASCLS Newsbytes
  - CapWiz-Advocacy Service

- Region III Treasurer's report: \$11,570
- Reports from the States
  - Alabama: lack of membership and funds may cause them to surrender charter and disband
  - Florida: changed the term of presidency to 2 years
- Lisa: Millennial Retention Task Force
  - Designing products to help new techs
  - Gift from ASCLS (possible tee-shirt, shot glass, luggage tags, etc.
  - Minimal cost to society
  - NC is interested
- LabCE.com link form our website: no purchases this quarter
- Tim: Western Carolina Update
  - ASCLS needs to be more proactive to get government funding for programs
  - ACLA needs to be involved
    - Interest in students and programs questionable.
  - Jeanne e-mailed Elisa Passiment
  - Anna Abram, Senator Burr's aid, called Jeanne at home to discuss WCU situation
  - Appalachian State is closing too (3+1 hospital based program)
- 2010 Triennial Meeting
  - Georgia hosting: Possibly Jekyll Island
  - Combined with Fall Region Council Meeting
- 2009 Fall Region Council Meeting
  - Jackson, Mississippi
  - November 7,8
  - We fund 2 people to go but anyone can attend
- 2010 Spring Council Meeting
  - NC hosting: right after CCC
  - **Motion: Use NCSCLS funds to rent the room for the meeting: \$100**
    - Motion: Lisa Anderson
    - Second: Jessie Frank
    - Passed
- 2009 CCC
  - 125 Full Conference
  - 84 Students
  - 12 One Day + Lunch
  - 25 One Day No Lunch
  - 2 Vendor Reception Only
    - 49 NCSCLS
  - 22 Vendors

**Past President (Karen Sullivan)**

- Not much to update.

- Elections went well
  - Still need a President Elect and Treasurer

### **Treasurer (Jeanne Phelps)**

- 2008-2009
  - Income: \$12165.40
  - Expenses: \$15,542.15
    - Travel Excess for Lisa and Mickey came out of Misc. Travel
    - Lap Top was purchased for \$824.51
  - Reserve CD (\$8,976.96) matures 6/20/09
    - Jeanne will get a new one.
  - CD (\$5,474.30) matures 9/14/09
    - Liquidate and put in the money market account.
  - Everyone needs to cash all outstanding checks by July 1.
- 2009-2010
  - Budgeted Income: \$9,500.00
  - Budgeted Expenses: \$22,435.00

### **Membership Chair (Kathleen Schulman)**

- Total Members: 216 (-35)
- PF: 158 (-5)
  - Don't know if these are lapsed or retired members
- EM: 9 (+1)
- FYP: 9 (0)
- STU: 37 (-30)
  - Sent message to program directors to push membership into ASCLS
    - Kathleen will send a Hard Copy ASCLS ad to program directors.
    - New techs face difficult challenges as they enter the work force (dealing with difficult people, workplace bullying, etc.)
    - How can we best address this?
      - Suggested articles and CCC
  - Are ASCLS and AMT competing for members?

### **Board of Directors**

- Lisa Anderson: No update
- Drew Alston: No update but has a new job. Congrats Drew!

### **Student Forum Chair (Mickey Yost)**

- Mickey graduated and got a job at Duke. Congrats Mickey!
- Holly Owens is the new Student Forum Chair. Welcome Holly!
- Created and printed posters to go to high schools (guidance counselors, career fairs, etc.)

### **AHEC Liaison/Allied Health Council Liaison (Libby Haile-Absent)**

- Jeanne met with Alissa Debman from the Allied Health Council
  - They get no money from the state and are in need of help to fund program.
  - **Motion: NCSCLS will make a \$100 donation this year**
    - Motion: Karen Sullivan
    - Second: Jeanne Phelps
    - Passed

### **Fall Focus (Libby Haile-Absent)**

- Fall Focus 2009: Got Results!
- Saturday, November 21, 2009 at Winston-Salem State University
- Greensboro AHEC will be doing registration for both the conference and the Education SA Meeting

### **New Professionals Chair (Jeremy Edwards)**

- Jeremy is going to People to People in China
- Attending National
- Has been trying to do get-togethers but has not had a lot of interest to date.

### **Website Coordinator (Laine Stewart-Absent)**

- In order for the Filter Paper to be nominated for award, it had to be on the website.
  - Jeanne had 2 put on the web so that NCSCLS could be considered
  - **Motion: Post the Filter Paper to the Website in addition to being e-mailed in the future.**
  - Motion: Darian Hybl
  - Second: Mickey Yost
  - Passed

### **Scholarship Chair (Laine Stewart-Absent)**

- Received 6 CLT and 2 CLS applications.
- Deadline was extended to June 19 for Carolinas College students.

### **District Chairs (Lisa Anderson)**

- Lisa developed a suggested schedule for District Chairs.
- Mickey will be taking over the District 5/7 Co-Chair position for Jennifer.

### **Scientific Assembly Chairs**

- Chemistry (Kathleen Schulman)
  - Wrote an article for the Filter Paper
- May need to put an extra blurb about scientific assemblies in the CCC meeting brochure to increase interest and attendance.
  - Note that anyone can attend
  - Kathleen will ask Dan to ask Mary if that would be ok with AMT.

### **Filter Paper (La’Vonda Benbow-Absent)**

- The filter paper looked great.
- We’d like to continue to get the deadline dates ahead of time.

### **By-Laws and Policy Manual (Darian Hybl)**

- Made some small formatting changes.
- E-mail Darian if you seen other things that need to be added.
- Suggested that we do a time line for each position.

### **Old Business**

- Computer has been purchased
  - Still waiting on projector
- Banner (Sheila Lloyd)
  - Looking at a local business she’s worked with before
  - Good Price: \$344
    - Unlimited Colors and Print
    - 66X30
  - Need to ask Elissa what colors we should use.
  - Also need to look at our current display
  - Jeanne will go with Sheila to look
- Member Benefits: Free Registration for CCC 2010
  - Board members not included
  - Will wait to notify recipients until after they renew their registrations
  - Funds will come out of the Membership Section of the budget (already included)
  - Winner
    - Beth Anne Aldrich (student)
  - Alternates
    - Karen James
    - Ronald Campbell
- CCC 2010
  - Still looking for sponsors and a few more speakers.
- Licensure
  - All health professions are licensed except for laboratorians.
  - Licensure would be good for our profession
    - Salary
    - Credibility
  - The process to lobby for licensure is expensive and takes a lot of time.
  - Physicians have traditionally been against it but CAP is supporting it now.
- Fundraising
  - We used to do annual donations to Children’s Miracle Network
  - Promotion of the Professions Committee
    - Reports and records fundraising activities
      - \$3100 for University of Alaska MT program

- UNC is trying to get new microscopes but donations are not tax deductible

**Favorite Things:** Jeanne gave us fabulous highlighters with built in post-it tabs.

**Motion: Adjourn Meeting**

- Motion: Lisa Anderson
- Second: Holly Owens
- Adjourned at 12:32.

Lunch at O'Charley's

Breakout sessions.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Anderson