

SDSRT 63rd Annual Pre-Conference Board Meeting

Thursday, April 19, 2012 - 4:00pm

Attending: Mark Harder, Steve Salvetti, Alyssa Klein, Megan Gilbertson, Rhonda Engebretson, Chad Borns, Jerilyn Powell and Jessica Sharping.

- I. **Meeting called to order by Kevin Lawrence:** Welcome Dan- new student intern
 - a. A discussion occurred on changes to the new manual that will be made

- II. **Financial report given by Chad Borns**
 - a. The society is spending more each year due to increased expenses
 - i. Approximately \$4,000 year is lost
 - ii. SDSRT CD will expire in August- fall board meeting needs to take place prior to this date in order to decide on financial management
 - iii. Website expenditure and management- may be easier to budget if we are given a total for the year vs. month to month

 - b. Kevin Lawrence- Budget
 - i. Suggestion was made that it is time to increase the membership dues as the SDSRT is cheaper than surrounding society's and the SDSRT has not changed fees for well over 10 years.

Options would be the following:

 - Increase membership fees
 - Increase convention fees

 - Jerilyn suggests to have the changes put in the manual- location of conference will make a difference on costs and setting a minimum so the board can budget better from year to year
 - Rhonda suggests we set a limit for entertainment
 - Extra costs- went from paying presidents fees to all board membership fees- consider changing back
 - Kevin – any board changes requires a 30 day notice
 - We could attach change proposal to ballots

 - c. Mark Moved motion on voting for due changes

- III. **Business**
 - a. Kevin- proposed importance on budgeting RT in DC
 - i. Fall retreat 2011 budget was \$500- actual cost \$100
 - ii. Use conference calls when possible
 - iii. More online correspondence vs. mail out (membership info, cards, certificates...)

 - b. Jerilyn- survey monkey is about \$120 per year vs. expense for printing/ mailing ballots (she will put together a sample and send out to board)

IV. Convention

- a. Megan – a budget would be helpful when planning future conferences
- b. Jerilyn- look at decreasing the number of days for conference or change the days

V. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

Jessica Sharping

SDSRT Secretary