

## SDSRT 2014 Pre-Conf Board Meeting

Thursday April 24, 2014

### I. Call meeting to order

- A. JJ Powell called to order the Pre-Conference Board Meeting at 4pm
- B. The following persons were present: JJ Powell, Chairman; Andrea Kindvall, President; Megan Gilbertson, President-Elect; Shawna Strand, Vice-President; Chad Borns, Treasurer; Tom Davis, ASRT Delegate; Kevin Lawrence, ASRT Delegate; Hannah Cotton, student intern; Erin Ernst, student intern; Matt Berry, Web Master; Ben Davis, incoming President-Elect; Michelle Garhart, incoming Secretary; Jess Sharping, incoming Vice-President; Whitney Bartels, incoming student intern; Kayla Purrington, incoming student intern; Dana Aragon, ASRT rep; Sharon Wartenbee, Life Member; Beth Weber, Life Member; Joe Kuusela, Siouxland Society President

### II. Minutes

- A. The minutes of the Winter Board meeting were approved as posted on the website.

### III. Financial Report

- A. Chad presented the updated financial report.
  1. We currently have \$27,047.75 in our checking account
  2. The 2013 Conference brought in \$5,100 over budget.
  3. Printing and mailing costs increase yearly, this year it was \$500 over budget, we will be looking into sending out the voting and membership mailings at the same time to save on postage.
  4. We ended the year \$9,500 ahead of budget.
- B. Next year's budget additions
  1. Increasing Exec Secretary's funding from \$1850 to \$1980 due to the increase in postage/printing costs
  2. Remove the conference rooms for board members as this is generally included in the Conference budget
  3. The budget balances with \$70 to the good.

### IV. President's Report

- A. Andrea discussed the SDSRT Newsletter that started in January with member discounts, CE opportunities, and other important news from the Board.
- B. She mentioned taking part in the ASRT's Leadership Academy, its graduation is during the ASRT's annual meeting in June so her flight/hotel will be paid for
- C. RT in DC was a success even with the snowstorm, the group got to meet with Thune and Noem's offices
- D. Projects for the coming year are continuing the update of the P&P manual and scanning in the photos/ scrapbook pages that she will get from the historian. These will be put on the website.

### V. Convention Report

- A. Kevin presented a Convention report
  1. 128 registered, this is less than expected
  2. Cancelled the Ultrasound track as there were only 3 registrants
- B. Shawna presented a review of the Student Competitions
  1. There are 34 exhibits and 4 student papers will be presented
  2. Students will be asked to put up exhibits Thursday evening instead of Friday morning so that the judges can begin as soon as possible and not miss so many classes

## VI. Business

### A. Unfinished Business

1. Communications Report
  - i. Matt reported that the website is ready to go with 6 secure pages (ex: Members only, Board, Siouxsland)
  - ii. The board will review the site after the go-live to check for bugs
  - iii. Pictures will be scanned in and included on the site
  - iv. Consider the option of online voting, student paper judging, membership drive
  - v. Go-live once we have the minutes and photos loaded onto the site
  - vi. Dana stated that we can do an Email blast from the ASRT
  - vii. Matt has requested that we have 1 dedicated person who will send all website updates to him. This will be discussed at the post-conf meeting.
2. Updated P&P manual
  - i. Andrea will resend out the updated P&P manual dated April 2014 to all board members after conference
  - ii. We will have a read-only version available on the website for board members
3. Convention Manual
  - i. Kevin reported that it has been updated and sent to Matt, he will do some tweaking after convention before sending it on to Pam Liechti in Aberdeen
4. Legislative Report
  - i. Sharon reported on RT in DC
    - a) Had a 6 member group, there was a snowstorm, but were still able to meet with Thune/Noem's offices
    - b) Dinner with Christine Lung in DC and discussed "Meaningful Use" which takes effect 7-1-14
    - c) Need legislation in SD to protect patients and our jobs
  - ii. Beth reported on Meaningful Use
    - a) Higher reimbursement if physicians use CPOE, if techs change orders the reimbursement is lower since SD RT's are not considered "licensed professionals" by CMS
    - b) Won't see the \$ effects until 2015
    - c) There are laws on the books, need to revise so we are in compliance, so Beth wants the membership's permission for the legislative committee to work with the SD government to change the wording.
    - d) A motion will be presented at the 1<sup>st</sup> Business meeting and voted on at the 2<sup>nd</sup> business meeting.
  - iii. Dana Aragon
    - a) Through the Affiliate Advocacy Program we can send out an email blast explaining Meaningful Use/ the proposed wording changes to the state laws
    - b) By being non-compliant, facilities will see a 1-5% decrease in reimbursement, this may increase over time
5. Affiliate Development Program
  - i. JJ sent out the new Strategic Plan to the board, there were no comments/changes sent to her. This needs to be reviewed/updated on a yearly basis
  - ii. A huge part of our plan was to get the website up and running, then we can work more on the membership perks
  - iii. Shawna began work on the new board pamphlets, this will be passed on to Jess
6. By-law revision

- i. Kevin will present the Consent Calendar at the 1<sup>st</sup> Business meeting, it has been posted on the website, as well as being mentioned on Facebook and in the monthly newsletters.
- 7. Student Award Program
  - i. Logistics will be discussed at the Educator's meeting
  - ii. Board members will travel to present the awards during the school graduations
- 8. SDSRT/MSDU Sonography Workshop
  - i. Tom reported that the workshop had 30 techs from 4 states, most of the techs had been in the field for many years
  - ii. Huge bonus was the hands on time with training staff
  - iii. ? possibility of putting this on again in the future with MTI and SE Tech working together to put on a 2-3 day refresher course

#### B. New Business

- 1. Vacancy of Delegate Position
  - i. Tom will be moving to South Lake Tahoe, so his position is open
  - ii. According to the by-laws the 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate takes over the position of the vacated delegate. Megan will now represent SD as ASRT Delegate at the annual meetings in June

#### C. Announcements

- 1. Educator's meeting will be held in room 1100 @ 8pm

#### VII. Adjournment

- 1. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35pm by JJ.

Minutes submitted by Andrea Kindvall RT(R)(CT)CBBDT SDSRT Chairman