SDSRT 2011 Winter Board Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Matt Berry, Mark Harder, Kevin Lawrence, Tom Davis, Rhonda Engebretson, Andrea Kindvall & Sarah Siemonsma.

Meeting was called to order by Matt Berry.

The previous minutes were read by Matt. Susan sent along a report as she was unable to attend. Minutes have been posted to website. Matt made a motion to approve. Mark Harder seconded the motion.

Sarah Siemonsma read the Treasurer's report. Please see attached sheet. She had checked on interest rates for the current CD. Interest rates have dropped severely and are at 1.25% so we are unable to raise the rate of our current CD.

Kevin gave President's report. He attended a webinar on marketing of websites. He got a couple of good points out of it. First was charging for advertising. We have discussed this issue before but have made no decision. The cost will be \$50 per year. The SDSRT will have no participation in designing ads, only displaying them on the site. This responsibility will be given to the Executive Secretary to monitor as she is always consistent and more of a stable force as we do not want this to get missed from year to year. We will ask Susan what month is least busy for her as we can focus that month towards advertising issues.

Tom gave student mentor report. All board members read the student member applications and voted. The new student mentor will be Alyssa Klein from Avera McKennan School of Radiologic Technology.

Committee reports

Mark gave the mall ballot election results. Of the 212 ballots sent out only 52 were returned.

Results as follows: Pres Elect-Jerilyn Powell, Vice Pres-Steve Salvetti, Secretary-Jess Scharping, Treasurer-Chad Borns, ASRT Delegate-Matt Berry.

Andrea gave report on the scientific papers and projects. One area for discussion was what category should Radiation Therapy students fall in: technologist or student. After debate it was decided that they should fall under the technologist category in the future.

Membership report was given. Membership is a little low right now but there are many expected to still turn in and are always some at convention. An issue arose about duplicates of membership being sent out as the ASRT list and SDSRT list have overlap on some names. It was decided that next year the secretary will go through these lists and try to weed out the duplicates and then will be in contact with Executive Secretary.

Tom gave legislation update. Due to Healthcare bill the Care Bill again didn't make it. Will work hard on getting Noem on board at RT in DC.

Convention report was read by Matt from Paula. Planning for convention is underway and going good. There will be categories for Rad, CT, MRI and Mammo. The convention will be held at the Hylland convention center. Rooms are available for \$79 a night.

Unfinished Business

Concern over student mentor packet turnout. Discussion of a possible video to be made of previous student mentors telling about their role and how SDSRT helped them in their career.

Scholarship info. Pres Elect will be handling the Technologist scholarship applications. The scholarship will be closed by Dec. 31st. The applications will be voted on by the board at the winter meeting.

Talk about a Life Member database to be made. Compilation of all life members and their information and pictures. A special site on website devoted to our Life Members and the titles they have held in the past. Will send form with membership to find out offices held and details of members.

With the talk of Life Members and past officers came the idea of an Alumni gathering at Convention. Possibly something to be done in the future.

Discussion was held about website again. Possible revamp. Tom will talk with Eric about this. Also was discussion of possibility of scanning in past books that the historian has so that they could be on the website as well.

Board also discussed the importance of updated pictures being posted to website. Would also like to have each Life Member's photo this year individually. A change to the handbook may be made to say that a deadline of June 1st is in effect for the pictures to be given to the board from the prior convention. This way they will be used and displayed for members. Also needs to be a set way of labeling pictures so Board knows who/what pics are.

Official Conference schedule

2011 - Mitchell

2012 –Watertown

2013-Spearfish

Meeting Adjourned