**ASCLS-MN Winter Board Meeting – Minutes**

**Wednesday February 8**

**6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

Zoom Meeting

* Call to Order – 6:31 – President Charlotte Romain
* Quorum was established
* Review Previous Meeting Minutes & Secretary’s Report – Sue Iddings \*\*Addition – Rachel Siddell name correction. Approved by Donna S-M and seconded by Jenna A.
* Treasurer’s Report – Jenna Amundson (sent to all board members) reviewed with some explanation and updated report will be sent by Jenna.
* Scholarship Committee – Andy Yue Scholarship info sent to Program Directors, thanks to Allina and Pathology Group for scholarship contributions. Website will update all information on scholarship application process and work with out of date info. Andy shared the Committee members names.
* ASCLS-MN Website – Jenna Amundson \*\*Jenna would like to hand off the Website if anyone know of an interested person. Reported that the Domain/Website cost is approx. $306.
* President’s Report – Charlotte Romain
* National/HOD – no Quorum-no voting,
* Area Director update filled NE along with SE
* Newsletter – March (all agreed it is important to keep) Char will ask for input.
* Archival of documents-Jean will work with Julia to get access to Communities Folders. Kathy H has licensure info to add.
* Updates from Rick-Finance meeting will be scheduled soon,
* Lab Week-Governors Declaration (Char to check on) 4/23-29.
* Ascending Professional-Alex Shaw
* Awards: Keys to Future, Omicron Sigma, Lifetime, Theriot, Website/Newsletter, Constituent Society, Voices under 40.
* Candidates for Election needed: President Elect: OPEN

Secretary: Austin Korczak

Treasurer: OPEN

Dev. Professional: OPEN

Junior Directors in most areas are OPEN

* Membership Development – Dean Porter (no report) Char stated numbers are increased.
* Constituent Society Strategic Issue & Action – see New Business
* Region V Leadership Academy – Crystal Paul (no report) Jean noted 3 students -2 ND and 1 Wisconsin will graduate in September. Retreat is coming up.
* Region V – Jean Bauer, Charlotte – each state that is holding the Region V conference will hold meetings for all states in our area to discuss any concerns and ideas. Minn. will this year, Wisconsin next year.

National Update working on Meetings with concerns on Safety, workforce shortages, Congress – Loan Scholarships, and Health, other items Donna S. will address in Government Affairs. Standardizing committee members/leaders.

* Area Director’s Report
* SE Area – Rachel Siddell – \*\*Feb 18 – pathologist will talk on Blood Bank
* SW Area – Open
* NW/Central Area – Open
* NE Area – Mary Ravoula –\*\* Feb 21 get-together (new Junior – Kelsei Steffen)
* Metro Area – Austin Korczak (Senior) /Tori Nemitz (Junior)\*\* Student get together in May-tour of Allina Labs

& Brewery Tour

* Ascending Professional – Alex Shaw
* Government Affairs – Donna Showers VALID-lab developed tests, CLIA – FDA, SALSA-delay of 1 year, but increased cuts in next few years, Standardizing titles for MT-MLS, Donna will check in throughout the year with Congressional/House leaders.
* CLC Update – Jean Bauer- Vendors are already signing up (9-10) Food is set, Registration will open this week. Hotel block is open, rate is $145. Program needs 4-5 more speakers. Social time after meeting at Loose Moose Saloon. Mayor Najwa will Welcome all.

* New Business-Opportunities for becoming active member. Request for Action – ASCP concerns on Membership vs. Certification - Kathy Hanson will talk with BOD liaisons from ASCLS. Charlotte will send our concerns in to National.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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