



Missouri Organization for Clinical Laboratory Science

MoCLS Board Teleconference
September 26, 2009
10:00 am – 1:45 pm

Attendees: Nancy Reddig, Renee Setina, Sarah Schumacher, Hannah Zane, John Koenig, Jean Otte, Debbie Baudler and Shelly Schoeberlein

AGENDA

1. Results of Special Election for Pres-Elect - SurveyMonkey.com

- a. Special election held via survey format: this worked wonderfully and all 10 people responded. John Koenig will be Pres-elect for 2009-10, to give MoCLS time to plan future leadership.
- b. Danyel Anderson, who is the present secretary, is considering the nomination for Pres-elect for 2010-11. According to the By-laws, Renee is chair of nomination committee as Past president, so she will be in contact with Danyel in Spring 2010.

2. Leadership Roster – who's who

- a. Shelly read the list of officers and board members for the 2009-10 year. See attached list at end of minutes.
- b. Mark Parker, the Webmaster, has a vision of changing the MoCLS logo and cleaning up the website. Shelly will be in contact with him. Since the Webmaster is not a board category, the position was added to the list of leadership committees. Shelly will make the changes.
- c. Renee will try to contact Christy since Shelly was unable to get a hold of her as the membership chair.
- d. Shelly is looking for someone to take over the publication of the MoCLS newsletter. Sharon Duessel and Justin Remmert are possible candidates. Shelly offered to do the winter publication and hopes to have Sharon and Justin put together the spring publication. It is an ASCLS rule to have 2 yearly publications.
- e. Renee to contact Sharon D. to inquire about interest in Professional Affairs chair

- f. Sharon Smith is not able to be involved with the MoCLS board for 2009-2010, but Shelly will ask if she would like to be involved with the Leadership Development Committee with John Koenig.
- g. Shelly is going to meet with Justin Remmert about his job duties as SA Chairperson and Debbie Baudler [former SA Chair] has volunteered to also help get him oriented and signed up with the National ASCLS SA committee so he can get announcements for continuing education opportunities.
- h. Ann Green is looking for help with the district rep. position for Poplar Bluff/Cape Girardeau region. Jean Otte inquired about helping Ann with this position.
- i. The district rep. position for Hannibal is still vacant. Shelly to get in contact with Barb Parkhill for possible candidates for this position.
- j. Shelly has submitted a partial MoCLS roster to Region VI and will resubmit a finalized roster to national soon.

3. Updates from the Annual Meeting in Chicago

- a. John Koenig made the announcement concerning the merger of the ASCP-BOR and NCA, effective Oct. 20, 2009. It will become the BOC [Board of Certification]. The titles for certification will be: MLS for MT and MLT remains the same. They will be using ASCP behind their title. The ASCP initials will be optional, since many former NCA members will not use it. Anyone who does not sign up for recertification under the new certifying body will remain with the initials MT(ASCP). The new board will set up new guidelines. Both organizations and AGT [Association of Genetic Technologists] will have members on the board.
- b. Myths were dispelled by Shelly and John about the comments made in the Advance publication
- c. Shelly said that at the House of Delegates, members felt left out on the decision and a lot of members were shocked at the merger. The major amount of funding for this merger is coming from the ASCP. AGT handles all genetic components for NCA. The 3 agencies were aware of the negotiations but a gag order was put out, so no one could release any information about the 2 organizations consolidating forces. Discussions of the merger were made by John Koenig and Debbie Baudler.
- d. Sarah Schumacher attended her first meeting as New Professional chair and really enjoyed it.

- e. Renee is now is the ASCLS PAC chair and Tim Randolph has been elected Region VI Chair.
- f. At the Annual Awards ceremony:
 - i. 50 years of membership certificate given to Sr. Patricia O'Brian
 - ii. Under the ASCLS Education & Research Fund Award: The Joseph Kleiner Memorial Award was given to Sharon Duessel, Rita M. Heuertz, and Rita's husband, Uthayashanker R. Ezekiel.
 - iii. The [unrestricted] Grant –in-Aid award was given to Tim Randolph.
 - iv. The ESA Student Paper Awards in the Research Paper category was given to Sarah Schumacher. This award included an all-expenses paid trip to the Chicago Annual Meeting this past July.
 - v. ASCLS Member of the Year nominee was Renee Setina. Winner was from Massachusetts – David Mello.
 - vi. PAC award: MoCLS received State Honorable mention, missed 3rd place by 1 penny, [it went Idaho]

4. Outcome of Licensure Initiative from the 2009 MO Legislative Session

- a. The MoCLS licensure bill was filed in the Missouri Senate and House.
- b. Summary: Dr. Claver requested 14 changes to the bill and contacted Tim and Renee.
- c. MoCLS made 12 out of 14 changes and resubmitted bill for meeting April 12.
- d. Bill died in Senate subcommittee and never made it to the House.
- e. Lobbyists Mike and Terry want to continue effort and at same fee.
- f. The Bill must be re-submitted in Word format and will include new titles to reflect merger of NCA and BOR for MT/MLS and MLT.
- g. Renee is trying to plan another State legislative date for Jan 2010 with Mike.
- h. Renee clarified the certification and grandfathering clause for Jean Otte for the prospective MoCLS licensure bill.
- i. Final Revisions will be made by Renee and Tim and they will submit it to the MoCLS board before forwarding it to the lobbyist for re-filing as a bill. Shelly asked Jean to be in contact with Tim and Renee for final wording of bill.

5. Miscellaneous:

- a. Shelly, John, Renee, Tim and Sharon: attended a meeting at National on other states who have tried for State licensure and their approaches [MN and TX]. Shelly suggested that perhaps we should try to submit bill without lobbyists help and use money saved to advertise the bill and/or pay for a night for state legislative day. Since MoCLS has tried using lobbyists, progress has been made but maybe we should now try a different

approach. Shelly asked the MoCLS board to think about different approaches and come back with ideas at the next meeting.

6. Finances-Treasurer's Report

Checking Balance: April 30, 2009 (as per BOD Report 4/30/09)	\$8,577.78
Credit Sep-09 ASCLS dues 01-01-09 to 06-30-09	\$ 465.00
Total	\$9,042.78
Debit May-09 Funding Region VI – Koenig Attendance at Spring 2009 Meeting	\$ 116.00
Awards - Renee Setina Spring 2009 Meeting	\$187.78
total	\$ 303.78
Current Balance September 26, 2009:	\$ 8,739.00

7. Committee reports:

- a. Bylaws: Hannah's report: no activity with by-laws committee. Hannah to continue updating SOPs in November by using side-by side format of bylaws and SOPs similar to National standards. She wants to update handbook in January. Hannah will not be at 2nd meeting in November. Shelly asked John if the format exists at the national level. John will try to meet with Hannah in November to help with updates.
- b. Membership Report – Current, Lapsed, New member numbers. Sarah S. Is interested in maintaining the state roster. There are 141 current members: breakdown to be submitted by Shelly later.
- c. John Koenig has completed 2 terms as Region VI director. To show their appreciation, MoCLS awarded him a plaque and various STL sports memorabilia at House of Delegates.

8. Discussion on the Board's biggest issue to date - Communication to our members!

- a. Shelly asked for board member input.
- b. Need 2 publications per yr by ASCLS bylaws [can lose state funding from ASCLS dues if by-laws are not met]
- c. Nancy suggested 1 page format e-newsletter, with President column, with updates
- d. John clarified that a one page newsletter qualifies as publication
- e. Discussion about using/setting up list server for communication.

- f. John will ask JR Constance to set up a list server
 - g. About 100/141 email address available
 - h. Shelly to contact publication's people to put together spring newsletter and Shelly will put together 1 page letter for this fall.
 - i. Cell phone number exchange/text capability? Shelly asked for board members to submit cell phone numbers for board member communication in addition to email
 - j. John, Renee and Shelly have text messaging capabilities
9. **2010 Spring Meeting:**
- a. Nancy Reddig announced that the Spring meeting will be April 14-16, 2010 at the Downtown Marriot [2 blocks from Power-Light district] in Kansas City MO.
 - b. The Title is Patchwork of Knowledge
 - c. It will be sponsored by MOCLS, KC-CLMA, KCCLS
 - d. Since 2009 is MoCLS's 50th anniversary, she is asking to celebrate it in 2010
 - e. Debbie suggested setting up a student bowl for the MT programs to compete against one another as an evening activity.

10. **Government Affairs**

- a. John Koenig reported that an e-newsletter will be sent out about healthcare issues. It will include a summary of Sen. Baucus healthcare reform bill. Renee read email about John's email on government affairs minutes.

11. **Summary/Action Plans/Assignments**

Next meeting: Oct 17 or 24 or Nov 7

Nov. 7 seems to be the best date for present members to meet for next board member meeting at Meadow Lake's Country Club

Adjourned at 12:22 pm Sept. 26, 2009

Submitted by Debbie Baudler

NOTE: See MoCLS Leadership Roster on next page

2009-2010 MoCLS Leadership Roster

Elected Board

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Past-President

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2nd Year Director

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Vacant (Shelly to contact **Barb Parkhill**)

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