

2018 Conference First General Session  
September 14, 2018  
LCCC Campus  
Cheyenne, WY

Meeting called to order 12:23 pm

Introduction of head table—President (Kayci Robinson), President Elect (Danielle Opp), Vice President (Kacee Hansen), Past President (Ashleigh Ralls), Secretary (Courtney Keahey), Treasurer (Angela Raybuck), WBRTE Board Member (Teri Bedwell), Editor (Carolyn Spranger)

Introduction of any other special guests: Joe Whitton and Barb Smith.

Introduction of Sergeant-at-arms and Parliamentarian: Gary Lanouette and Robert Randall

Establish Quorum established with 43 voting members in attendance.

Minutes of the previous general session printed and passed out to each table. Motion made to approve minutes. Motion passed.

#### Committee Reports

- Bylaws: Financial policy for Policy & Procedures was updated for consistency and corrections, added debit policy, added volunteer conference chair position (not voting member).
- Continuing Education for Technologists: we have 14 CE's credit possible for conference.
- Credentials: All members running are credentialed
- Education for Students: We have winners for paper that will be announced at the banquet, we have 3 applicants for Bruce E. Johnson, 1 applicant for Mickey Patch. We have 4 exhibits submitted, Student Bowl questions and teams are made up
- Finance: We are at around \$7,714.80 for the whole conference which is below our \$15,393.88 from last year.
- Legislative: Nothing to report except please pay attention to the upcoming elections as changes in our representatives may occur. We don't foresee any one being elected that would oppose any medical imaging items, but we are not familiar with all the candidates.
- Nominations: Positions for next year are being excepted for Secretary, Vice-President and President-Elect.
- Public Relations: As an end of year report, it was nice once again to have National Radiologic Technology Week proclamations signed By Governor Mead in Cheyenne and the Casper city representative for the 2017 year. We have not contacted anyone for the upcoming NRTW presentations.
- Ways and Means: Collected donations through-out the year. Donations are set up in conference room. We have been trying to get people involved from around the state, Kaycee Hurlless from Casper, Tori Ingvarsson and Rebecca Lieske from Cheyenne have helped a lot.
- WSRT Publications: Everything has been converted to online only now which has given us a savings of roughly \$800/year in postage

- Membership Update: 139 active members
- ASRT Delegate Reports: Affiliate and Chapter Delegates: Ashleigh Ralls and Kayci Robinson served as this year's delegates and Angela Raybuck attended as our alternate delegate. We had two students attend the SDLP and represent Wyoming, Kaycee Hurlless from Casper College and Caitlin Boe from LCCC. There were 100 affiliate delegates and 57 chapter delegates attend for a total of 157 delegates. The meeting was held in Las Vegas, NV. Three main topics were discussed throughout the meeting. Last year, a motion to investigate combined dues was made. The ASRT sent out a survey to see what members would prefer and the results were presented at the meeting. The results showed that members were not in favor of combining dues for several reasons and as a result, the ASRT is not going to pursue this agenda. Requiring a bachelor's degree as entry level for radiologic technologists was discussed again this year. It was stated that this requirement does not include shutting down associate level programs. How this requirement is going to be achieved is still under review at this point and no changes have been made yet. Lastly, the ASRT made an exciting announcement regarding changes to the Affiliate Financial Assistance Program (AFAP). As of August 1, 2018, the ASRT will be providing insurance for all state affiliates. State affiliates no longer must purchase their own insurance and provide proof to the ASRT. The ASRT is also adding a \$1million boost for 3 years to the AFAP fund and increasing the amount of assistance from \$4,000 to \$5,000 a year. The last change the ASRT is making to this program, is that an alternate delegate is no longer required to be in compliance for the AFAP. Only 26 states qualified this last year for this program. The ASRT is also working on consolidating the Practice Standards into one large document instead of 13 smaller documents. This consolidation will not change or remove any wording, it will simply move all the Practice Standards into one location instead of multiple files. Changes were made to the MRI practice standards in the Definition, Overview, specific Scope of Practice and some of the Specific Criteria. And finally, the ASRT is gearing up for the centennial celebration June 24-28, 2020 in Albuquerque! This is when they will reveal their Affiliate History extension to the museum
  1. ASRT: Joe Whitton reports membership at the end of 2017 at a new high, as of September there were 154,707 members with 325 Graduate bridge members, 627 new student members August to September. Because the student demographic is important to the ASRT a tremendous amount of resources have been geared for students. For example: registry prep and Road Map, to help with time management.
  2. ARRT: Barb Smith reports that they have sent marketing materials and grant opportunity paperwork. These must go to one of the Grant giving partners and members must belong to their affiliate. The Nuclear Med Tech Society, MR and ultrasound society are giving them out as well. Barb will be lecturing about CQR tomorrow.
- Conference Report and Updates: 53 registered for the conference, 11 speakers, 14 CE credits. Expenses are roughly \$7,775 for total conference.
- Wyoming Board of Radiologic Technologist Examiners Update:
  1. The WBRTE is happy to announce that the Online renewal system is now up and those scheduled to renew in October were notified of the online ability. Keep the Board office posted as to how well it is working. The board is continuing to work

on the Rules and Regs revisions. In doing this, the Board realized that Nuclear Medicine Technologists are being licensed as Radiologic Technologists even though their scope is completely different. Nuclear medicine needs to be defined and added as a separate license. Now this is fine until you have a NMTCB only registered tech applying for a state license. The board is currently investigating and working with the ASRT and ARRT and will be conferring with counsel on whether we have the authority to license nuclear medicine techs with the way the statute is currently written. We do not want techs being put into a situation where the employer wants them doing exams that they are not trained in. The board discussed possible revisions to the Practice Act that include changing the name from the Wyoming Board of Radiologic Technologists Examiners to Board of Medical Imaging to better incorporate all aspects of medical imaging. This will need a lot more preparation before it can be introduced to the legislature. Usually the Board works with the Society on any statute changes to show legislature that there is no conflict and normally it is the Society or Association that carries the bill and the State Board stands in support. The Board cannot lobby, so that is usually why the Society moves forward with it and the Board supports the changes. We will have time to work on this together and keep everyone in the loop, so we are all in agreement and have time to introduce this to a Representative or Senator and agree to carry it. JoAnn believes what we need to do is start having meetings to discuss this and be sure the Society is included. The main thing that should be looked at is if we are going to open the Act to change the name of the board, we also need to make sure there are no other changes or additions that need to be made while we're in there. It would also be very good to know what the membership thinks of any changes to the Act and have there been any issues brought to your attention that might require a statute change or addition?

2. Next August is when the name change will be addressed. Linda Holden suggested waiting to open a bill. Barb Smith suggested contacting the ASRT regarding to the name change.

Unfinished Business: ASRT affiliate history project: thank Linda, Ashleigh and Starla, we have sent photos and stories and memorabilia. We are waiting to digitize and get back to us.

New Business: SDLP application deadline has moved to November 15<sup>th</sup>. We've been accepted as part of the affiliate program.

- Bylaws: we reviewed proposed changes
- The deadline for the SDLP applications has moved up to November 15th. Students can submit their applications from Aug 15th to Nov 15th and the ASRT must be notified of the selected students by Feb. 1st.
- We've been accepted into ASRT Affiliate Development Program
- WBRTE Name Change

Meeting recessed at 1:10pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Courtney Keahey, WSRT Secretary