

2018 Pre-Conference Meeting
September 13, 2018
Kacee Hansen's House
Cheyenne, WY

Meeting called to order 6:21pm

Members Present: Angela Raybuck, Ashleigh Ralls, Courtney Keahey, Carolyn Spranger, Kayci Robinson, Danielle Opp and Kacee Hansen

Minutes from last meeting

- Motion made to approve previous Board meeting, 2018 Spring Board Meeting, to correct Officer Reports President-Elect position to read: b. President-Elect – Danielle Opp. Motion approved. Meeting minutes approved.

Officer Reports

- President: All the paperwork for ASRT compliance was successfully submitted. We were approved for ASRT affiliate financial assistance program. We are current with our insurance policies, but as of Aug 1st, 2018 the ASRT is providing/covering our insurance policies. We continue to upload documents and establish our google docs for easy online access for board members. We've also been working throughout the year with the ASRT with their Affiliate History Project by getting them photos, stories, and our history.
- President Elect: Nothing to reports
- Vice President: Nothing to report.
- Secretary: We have 139 active members to-date.
- Treasurer: Currently there is \$3,155.91 in Paypal, \$10,411 in checking, \$12,095.71 in savings that will be put into a certificate – except for \$3,000. We discussed staying with our current bank because they've added mobile banking.

Conference Report

- 46 registered
- 14 CE credits with 11 speakers – 1 speaker was unable to attend due to weather, but this will not affect credits offered.
- Finances for this conference are projected at a total of \$7,714.80 with Speaker gifts around \$250. This a reductive of last year's conference which was around \$15,393.88.
- ASRT Delegate Reports: 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 represented Wyoming: Kaycee Hurless from Casper College and Caitlin Boe from LCCC. There were 100 affiliate delegates and 57 Chapter delegates that attended for a total of 157 delegates. The meeting was held in Las Vegas, NV. Three main topics were discussed throughout the meeting.

1. Last year a motion to investigate combined dues was made. This would mean the ASRT and state affiliate dues would be one lump payment—if you are a member of one affiliate, you are a member of both affiliates. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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. The ASRT is also adding a \$1 million boost for 3 years to the AFAP fund, 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 (so good job Wyoming on getting that assistance!) and the hope is that these changes will allow for more affiliates to receive assistance to help them succeed. These changes are huge for smaller state affiliates like us and will help us so much! 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 so make sure you look that over.
4. 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.

Committee Reports

- Bylaws: The financial policy was updated which included bringing the policy up to date with technology related policies, wording and formatting were updated for consistency and we added a conference chair-person position. Motion made to vote on changes, all were in favor, changes approved.
- Continuing Education for Technologists: 14 CE's approved for conference.
- Credentials: All nominations were credentialed and turned in to the nominations chair so that ballots could be mailed.
- Education for Students: We have winners decided for the paper contest, the scholarship winners to be decided on, there are 3 applicants for Bruce E. Johnson award and 1 applicant for Mickey Patch award; we have 4 exhibits submitted. Student Bowl questions and teams have been created.
- Finance: See Treasurer Report

- Legislative: Nothing to report except please pay attention to the upcoming elections as changes in our representatives may occur. We don't foresee anyone being elected that would oppose any medical imaging items, but we are not familiar with all the candidates.
- Nominations: Ballots have been received.
- 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: No report submitted at this time
- WSRT Publications: Everything has been converted to online access.
- Membership Update: See Secretary's report
- Wyoming Board of Radiologic Technologist Examiners Update:
 1. the online renewal system is now up and those scheduled to renew in October were notified of the online ability. The WBRTE Board asks that we keep them posted as to how well it is working.
 2. 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. 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.
 3. 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. For the name change we need the WSRT's help:
 - i. 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 for them 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?

Unfinished Business

- Motion made to vote on policy and procedure changes, motion passed.
- Motion made to change banks, Board voted to keep current bank, motion passed.

New Business

- Election Results: There was a total of 46 complete ballots returned, 10 returned with wrong address and 2 after deadline. Results were: Kacee Hansen – President Elect, Parid Shkoza – Vice President and Brittany Dvorak – Treasurer.
- WSRT Mike Lewis Honorary Award for Outstanding Support was voted on
- Escobedo Award of Excellence was voted on
- Lifetime Membership Award: No qualified entries
- ASRT Leadership Conference is on hiatus this year
- ASRT Affiliate Development Program: Is focused on recruitment and retainment. We are working with ASRT using strategies and there is funding to assist.
- WBRTE Name Change: We are suspending a vote until we have more information
- Any other new business: No other new business
- Discussed paying award winners via Paypal and giving certificate to winners at conference.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Courtney Keahey, WSRT Secretary