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Announcement of the Association's Annual Meeting in Mobile, Alabama on 23 to 27 May 2012

The 132nd Meeting of the *Association of Clinical Scientists* will be held in Mobile, Alabama, on 23 to 27 May 2012. The headquarters will be the Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel, located in downtown Mobile. The meeting will be hosted by the University of South Alabama, School of Medicine, where one of the meeting sessions will be conducted. Drs. J. Allan Tucker and Jacek Polski, Co-Chairs of the Program Committee, cordially invite you to attend this outstanding conference. The program will focus primarily on *Advances in Pathology for Personalized Medicine*.

In addition to a session on the meeting theme, other sessions on Thursday afternoon, Friday morning and all day Saturday will include reviews and research papers from the Sections on Clinical Biochemistry and Biotechnology, Molecular Biology and Genetics, Clinical Immunology and Microbiology, Therapeutics and Toxicology, Clinical Informatics, Cell and Tissue Pathology, and Clinical Science in Practice, and the annual surgical pathology tutorial. The Friday morning half day session will include a tour of the University of South Alabama Cancer Center.

The Abraham J. Gitlitz Memorial Lecture will be delivered by J. Allan Tucker, MD on "Challenges of Smaller Facilities in the Changing World of Medicine."

Association members and guests are invited to

present their research. Each proffered paper will have 12 minutes for oral delivery and 3 minutes for discussion. **Friday, 6 January 2012 is the deadline for receipt of abstracts.** Instructions for abstracts will be printed in the next issue of the *Trumpet*.

The Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel is the headquarters hotel for the meeting and most activities. This AAA 4-Diamond hotel features the Harbor Room restaurant open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, the Fathoms Lounge open for light dinners (tapas) and which has covered outdoor seating, a fitness center, and an outdoor swimming pool. The special convention rate will be \$129/room (single or double) plus taxes (currently, 14%). The hotel does not provide shuttle service from the Mobile airport which is 14 miles from the hotel. In addition to local taxi cabs, Mobile Bay Transportation (251-633-5693) is an option for \$20 each way (reservations required).

Social events will include the Association's annual reception and banquet on Friday evening, and the annual musicale and art show on Saturday evening, featuring chamber music and an exhibition of art, photographs, and handicrafts by members and guests. A special tour of Mobile will be held on Friday afternoon. Stimulating activities for accompanying persons will be organized by the Association's Auxiliary.

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Minutes
Seelbach-Hilton Hotel, Louisville, KY
21 May 2011, 4:30 pm.

Dr. Dani Zander, president of the Association, called the meeting to order at 4:40 pm. Present at the meeting were Drs. Brown, Fontaine, Fischer, Froberg, Hajdu, Hamlin, Hawker, Hopfer, Hunter, Krauss, Muschenheim, Pesce, Polski, Savory, Sergi, Simkowski, Szakacs, Tatevian, Valdes, and Wilkerson. Dr. Zander said that the passing of Dr. Sunderman had been a shock, but she was encouraged by the way the membership and executive committee had come together. She said that they will be asking for suggestions on future plans from the membership. She said that, for the Association, it is an exciting time.

Approval of the minutes was moved by Dr. Glassman and seconded by Dr. Fischer. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Muschenheim reported as interim secretary-treasurer that the office has been moved temporarily to 211 Maple Street, Middlebury, VT 05753. The promised phone connection has not materialized. Dr. Hunter will come to Middlebury in the next week to evaluate moving the office to Houston. Nina Dillingham is expected to leave soon. A severance package has been approved for her. She may also go on unemployment.

Dr. Muschenheim said the Association is financially sound for the moment. He said that during the executive committee meeting the interim budget was modified on the basis of expectations for the meeting. Changes in the schedule of dues and fees are not contemplated at this time, except that it was proposed that emeritus members be asked for a suggested donation of at least 25 dollars a year to cover the costs of mailings to them. Dr. Glassman moved acceptance of the schedule of dues and fees including the proposed change. The motion was seconded by Dr. Szakacs and passed unanimously.

Dr. Tatevian, who will become editor of the Annals, said that they are developing strategies. She will have an executive assistant who will also help with the Association. She

asked if it would be possible to obtain advertising and was informed that previous attempts to do so have been unsuccessful. She said that she hoped to go to an all on-line format. Dr. Sergi stated that another journal is mostly on-line but has a few print copies. Dr. Pesce said that some journals charge for publishing papers. Dr. Savory said that the Annals had some ads 39 years ago. Dr. Fischer said that the IRS allows ads but limits the amount. Dr. Brown said that the Annals should maintain continuity for the rest of the year, but should then move on-line. Dr. Muschenheim observed that an effort should be made to obtain the papers from the meeting for the Annals. Dr. Pesce said the Annals on-line should be open access. This will help bring in members. He added that most journals like review articles, and that there were many here.

Dr. Muschenheim reported on behalf of the Credentials Committee (p) that there were five members deceased during the year, including Dr. Sunderman. He asked the members to stand and observe a moment of silence in memory of the deceased. There were 19 new members, three advanced from fellow to emeritus, three resignations one lost to follow-up, and 16 dropped for non-payment of dues. There are, therefore, 265 fellows, 114 emeriti, four associate, and one junior, for a total of 383.

Dr. Fontaine said for the Membership committee that Dr. Hawker had done a great deal to improve the membership. She asked if increased numbers of awards would help. Dr. Hunter said that the Institute may be open to a suggestion and we might ask for funding for a Sunderman speaker, and perhaps present Sunderman awards. Dr. Polski suggested that there could be a day on the program for residents to give case reports. Dr. Hunter said that the real challenge is to attract young faculty.

The By-Laws Committee, chaired by Dr. Brown presented changes drafted by Dr. Hawker (p) just in time to be posted on the internet thirty days before the business meeting so they could be acted on here. He said that the executive committee concluded that no one could replace Bill so his roles were divided into secretary, treasurer, editor, and meeting coordinator. The secretary would be elected for a one year term the first time and the treasurer for three years. In future each would have a three year term.

The meeting coordinator and editor to be appointed by the president. Dr. Szakacs moved and Dr. Brown seconded approval of the by-laws changes. Dr. Hawker said he had just noticed that in Article VI, section 4 of the Constitution, the secretary-treasurer is a member of the Credentials committee. He said this should be changed to secretary. Dr. Pesce moved an amendment to the by-laws changes deleting “-treasurer” in Article VI, section 4. Dr. Szakacs seconded, and the amendment passed unanimously. The motion to accept the by-laws changes also passed unanimously.

Dr. Hawker presented the slate proposed by the Nominating Committee. This was: Magali Fontaine for president, Roland Valdes for vice-president, Charles Hawker for secretary, and Roger Bertholf for Treasurer. Proposed for the Credentials Committee were Peter Hu and Allan Tucker. There being no nominations from the floor, Dr. Brown moved acceptance by acclamation. This was seconded by Dr. Wilkerson and passed unanimously.

The new officers moved to the head table. Dr. Fontaine thanked Dr. Zander for her efforts and leadership during the crisis of Dr. Sunderman’s death. There was applause for Dr. Zander. Dr. Fontaine welcomed Dr. Valdes. She expressed thanks to the Program Committee for the excellent meeting in Louisville. Again there was applause.

Dr. Hunter reported for Dr. Glassman that the Athletics committee had sponsored the Run for the Lilies with ten participants who ran while the rest walked. The walk was arranged by Dr. Miller of Louisville, and Dr. Hunter expressed his thanks.

Dr. Muschenheim reported for the Awards Committee that the committee had chosen Juliana Szakacs for Clinical Scientist of the Year, Nina Tatevian for the Diploma of Honor, and Kristen Reynolds for the Young Clinical Scientist of the Year. The awards will be presented at next year’s meeting.

Dr. Szakacs reported for the Education Accreditation Committee that the committee reviewed the results from last year’s program and approved the program for this year. She said they would continue with the CAP for CME accreditation next year, and that she will summarize the questionnaires for this year.

The Historical Committee had no report.

Dr. Wilkerson said there would be a good program for the musicale and art show later in the evening. Dr. Tatevian asked for photos of the meeting and musicale for the archives.

Dr. Muschenheim reported for the Public Relations committee that only one of the honorees had sent information for him to generate a press release, which he had done.

Plans for future meetings were reviewed. Dr. Polski said that Dr. Tucker will check on the meeting dates and on having an add-on weekend at the beach. He said that the hotel is downtown. The distance to the airport is 13 miles and to the University 10 miles. It is close to the Battleship Park Museum.

Dr. Szakacs said she was recruiting Drs. McCully and Kurek for the Program Committee. She would prefer a downtown hotel. She suggested that pediatrics would be a good theme. Dr. Tatevian said she could get good speakers for pediatrics. Dr. Hajdu said there should be recognition of Sydney Farber at the meeting.

Dr. Hawker said that the Salt Lake City meeting should probably go to 2015. Dr. Bertholf said that the 2014 meeting could come to Jacksonville.

Dr. Fisher moved and Dr. Muschenheim seconded a resolution of thanks to Christine Sikora for her help at the meeting. There was a round of applause for Ms. Sikora.

Dr. Muschenheim asked if there was any interest in having the Association organize trips through Betchart travel, which does this for AAAS and other associations. There was some expression of interest.

Dr. Fontaine adjourned the meeting at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick Muschenheim
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