

SOCIETY OF ARMED FORCES MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENTISTS
2007 BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRE SAFMLS MEETING
25 FEBRUARY 2007
Sheraton Hotel, Boston, MA

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by the Society President, CDR Cindy Wilkerson at 1710.

2. **Members Present:**

Officers:

CDR Cindy Wilkerson, MSC, USN, President
Lt Col Brian Casleton, BSC, USAF, Vice-President
CDR Chris Howe, MSC, USN, Secretary

Members-At-Large:

LTC Michael Lopatka, MS, USA, Army Member-At-Large
Maj Marybeth Luna, BSC, USAF, Air Force Member-At-Large
LT Aaron Harding, MSC, USN, Navy Member-At-Large

Voting Members:

Col Paul Barnicott, BSC, USAF, Consultant

Non-Voting Board Members:

CAPT Mike Finch, MSC, USN, Webmaster
LtCol Bailey Mapp, BSC, USAF, Exhibits/Vendors
LTC Kevin McNabb, MS, USA, President Elect
LTC Danny Deuter, MS, USA, Historian

Members Absent:

CAPT Brenda Bartley, MSC, USN, Navy Member-At-Large
LCDR Brian Ivey, MSC, USN, Treasurer
MAJ Paul Mann, MS, USA, Army Member-At-Large
Maj Richard Schoske, BSC, USAF, Air Force Member-At-Large
Maj Norm Fox, BSC, USAF, Past President
CDR Larry Ciorito, MSC, USN, Navy Consultant
COL Noel Webster, MS, USA, Army Consultant
COL Mark Brissette, MC, USA, Army Ex-Officio
CDR Dave Larson, MC, USN, Navy Ex-Officio
LTC Brian Kendall, MC, USAF, Air Force Ex-Officio

3. **Introduction:** The meeting was held at the Sheraton Hotel in Boston MA. CDR Cindy Wilkerson welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

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4. **Review of Previous Minutes:** The minutes from the Pre SAFMLS Board of Directors meeting will be sent to all members electronically for review following the meeting. Minutes were approved as written.

5. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer was not present for the meeting so no report was available. It will be discussed at the Post conference annual meeting on 01 Mar 07.

6. **Secretary's Report:** Total Active Members: 769 Breakdown is as follows:
Officers: 590 Enlisted: 147 Civilians: 32
Army: 343 Air Force: 268 Navy: 109 PHS: 8 Reserves: 9 (3 AF, 3A, 3N)

Dues Current: 308 Dues Not Current: 458 (Owe for 05 & 06) A past dues list will be sent to the Members-At-Large to encourage members to pay up or face being dropped from the roles. Anyone who hasn't paid their 05 dues by March will be archived and dropped from the database.

7. **New Applicant Review:** 46 New Applicants were reviewed and approved. The breakdown was as follows:
Army: 28 Air Force: 14 Navy: 3 PHS: 1

8. **Society Scope Update:** Scope was compiled and mailed on time. Decision made to put the PACE info in the fall issue and not the winter issue that comes out just before the meeting.

9. **Future Meeting Locations:** 2008 will be 10-15 Feb in New Orleans; 2009 will be 21-27 Mar in Reno. For 2010 are looking at Town and Country in San Diego.

10. **SAFMLS 2007 Planning Committee Update:** Working some opening ceremony issues.
a. Due to weather, VADM Arthur will not be attending. BGen Casey is planning on being here and will hopefully make it in time to join the BODs dinner.
b. It was noticed that the program and the PACE form have the old logo.
c. Portable printer was purchased and will be used at the registration desk.

11. **Old Business:**

a. Scope Magazine Cover (Ref item 13b, minutes from 17 Mar 05) – Maj Watterson has info on quotes for putting cover in color. She is not present at this meeting so it will be tabled and discussed at the post meeting. (OPEN, Maj Watterson)

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b. Elections of Officers: The following people are running for office

President Elect: Lt Col Brian Casleton, USAF
Lt Col Lucia More, USAF

Vice President: CDR Larry Ciorlorito, USN
LCDR Jonathan Ware, USN

Treasurer: Maj Marybeth Luna, USAF

Air Force MAL: Capt Denise Lennon
Capt Kathryn Shaw

Army MAL: CPT Gerald Kellar

Navy MAL: LT Deb Baker

Enlisted MAL: MSgt David Beacham, USAF

Elections will be held at the business meeting on 26 Feb 07. (OPEN, CDR Howe)

c. Member Survey – (Ref item, 12b, minutes from 30 Mar 06) – Info will be compiled by and forwarded to the consultants for possible incorporation into next year’s meeting. (CLOSED)

d. Fun Run – LTC Lopatka. Everything is set for the run. Sponsor is set and the weather should cooperate. (CLOSED)

e. Mailing labels – (Ref item, 12e, minutes from 22 Sep 06) – CDR Howe. The Secretary will work with LtCol Mapp to modify mailing labels so that dues expiration will show up on the mailing label so all members will know their dues status when they receive their Scope magazine. (CLOSED)

12. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Name change of awards – CDR Wilkerson
Proposal made to change the name of the outstanding lab manager and outstanding clinical scientist awards. New names would be:
Tri-Service Junior Lab Officer (01-03)
Tri-Service Senior Lab Officer (04-05)

Motion was made and approved by the board. An announcement will be made at the business meeting informing all the membership. (CLOSED)

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b. New Colored Coins – Lt Col Casleton

As we are almost out of coins, a proposal was made to proceed with the design and purchase of new coins. The front will be the new SAFMLS logo and the back will be a design from a member. A call will go out via the website to submit proposed designs for the back of the coin. A motion was made and approved to proceed with this plan. (CLOSED)

c. Post Workshops on Website – Lt Col Casleton

Proposal made to post workshops and short topics on the website. A caveat would be posted saying that the posting does not mean endorsement by the society. All posting will be voluntary and must have BOD approval prior to posting. A motion was made and approved. (CLOSED)

d. Award Submission Criteria – LTC McNabb

Submission packages are not standardized and the submission criteria do not match the grading/selection criteria. The submission criteria will be updated to match. (CLOSED)

13. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1815.

Respectfully submitted,

// Original Signed //

CHRISTINE L. HOWE, CDR, MSC, USN
Secretary