

SOCIETY OF ARMED FORCES MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENTISTS
2008 SAFMLS GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING
11 FEBRUARY 2008
Hilton Riverside, New Orleans, LA

1. Called to Order by Society President LTC Kevin McNabb at 0917.
2. Welcome: Society President welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for the efforts they made to get there.
3. Elections: Nominees for SAFMLS officers were posted on a bulletin board for all attendees to review. The uncontested nominees were voted on and approved verbally as stated. The following members were elected:

President-Elect	CDR Christine Howe, MSC, USN
Vice President	LTC Michael Lopatka, MS, USA
Secretary	LT Adrian Gaskin, MSC, USN
Air Force Mbr @ Large	Capt Kathryn Shaw, BSC, USAF
Army Mbr @ Large	MAJ James Lee, MS, USA
Navy Mbr @ Large	LT Leslie Councilor, MSC, USN

4. Secretary's Report: The following Secretary's report was given by CDR Howe
Total members: 513
Officers: 391 Enlisted: 97 Civilians: 25
Army-245, Air Force-163, Navy-68, DoDCiv-25, PHS-7, Reserve-5 (2-AF; 1-A; 2-N)
Members with current dues: 395 (2008 and up)
Members with delinquent dues: 118 (2007)
New Applicants: 61 total [38 Army, 17 Air Force, 6 Navy, and 0 PHS]

5. Treasurer's Report: Checking account balance is \$80,927.02 and Money Market account valued at \$125,153.95. Total balance is \$205,780.97. A motion was made and approved to accept the Treasurer's report.

6. Future Meeting Locations: 2009 Reno and 2010 San Diego.

7. New Business:

a. By-Laws Changes: The following changes were made: society annual dues will be payable by 31 December of the prior year and the addition of a Continuing Education Chairperson as a non-voting member. New By-Laws were presented and reviewed by all present. A motion was made and approved to accept the new By-Laws.

b. The new By-Laws read as:

1) Voting members of the Board of Directors will consist of the four elected Officers, Ex-Officio members, and Members-At-Large. Non-voting members include the President-Elect, immediate Past President, Editor of *Society Scope*, Chair of the Exhibits Program, Chair, Continuing Education, Historian, and Webmaster.

2) The Society President shall appoint or reappoint a Chair, Continuing Education, to be approved by majority vote of the Board of Directors. The Chair, Continuing Education shall serve as a non-voting Member of the Board of Directors. He or she will ensure that the quality of continuing education programs offered by SAFMLS meets the highest professional education standards, and that the continuing education contact hours offered at the SAFMLS Annual Meeting satisfy continuing education

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requirements for federal regulations, state licensure, certification agencies and employers. He or she will be the primary liaison between SAFMLS and the Professional Acknowledgment for Continuing Education (P.A.C.E) organization (or equivalent), and will ensure that attendees to the Annual Meeting, upon completing various educational programs, will receive credit for approved contact hours. Due to the continuity required of this office, the Chair, Continuing Education will not serve for a specified term length. The number of terms served will depend on willingness to serve and quality of service.

3) Society annual dues will be payable by 31 December of the prior year.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 0927.

Respectfully submitted,

// Original Signed //

ADRIAN D. GASKIN, LT, MSC, USN
Secretary