



Minutes - 2013 Annual Business Meeting
American Association of Clinical Anatomists
Thursday, July 11, 2013
Marriott City Center Hotel, Denver, Colorado



Call To Order: 3:22 p.m.

The President asked for approval of the minutes of the 2012 Annual Business Meeting distributed at this meeting and the 2013 Annual Business Meeting Agenda. The minutes and agenda were adopted by general consent at 3:23 p.m.

1. President's Report (Anne Agur – AACA President):

- The 2013 AACA election results were reported. The AACA membership elected Neil Norton as President-Elect, Carol Lomneth as Treasurer, Rob Spinner as Clinical Councilor, and Anne Gilroy and Rebecca Pratt as Councilors-at-Large.
- For the 2014 election, many important positions will be available to the membership, including Secretary, two Councilor-at-Large positions, and the Allied Health Councilor.
- Presidential Appointments to the Committees were also announced as listed:
Clinical Anatomical Terminology (CAT) committee: Sherry Downie, Brad Martin
Anatomical Services Committee: Todd Hoagland
Career Development Committee: Sarah Greene
Educational Affairs Committee: Robert Tallitsch
By-Laws Committee: Len Cleary (Chair), Jennifer Burgoon, Elmus Beale
Financial Affairs Committee: Neil Norton, Lisa Lee
Membership Committee: Sam Franklin
Nominating Committee: Jennifer Brueckner (Chair), Sherry Downie, Rebecca Lufler

2. Treasurer's Report (Neil Norton - AACA Treasurer):

- The financial standing of the AACA was reviewed. The Grenada meeting led to an AACA profit of \$10,344.53, and Neil credited Marios Loukas for absorbing some of our costs to ensure the AACA had an enjoyable, professional, and profitable meeting. Neil listed the major meeting expenditures and also explained we have continued to have flat exhibitor contributions and sponsorship numbers at our annual meetings, but with the addition of ASG, our new professional association management group, he expects these numbers to increase. He also explained the new AACA meeting registration fee structure. Concerning our 2012-2013 expenses, Neil listed our major expenditures and our major challenges: rising journal costs and membership dues structure. Neil talked about how we have resolved these issues in this fiscal year, and how these changes have positively impacted our finances. At the conclusion of his presentation, Anne thanked Neil for his 7 years of excellent service.

3. Membership Committee Report (Brian MacPherson – AACA President-Elect):

- The membership committee report was inserted into the Denver Meeting Program, and this report was briefly restated, including the approval of 123 new AACA members.

4. Remembrance of Deceased Members (H. Wayne Lambert – AACA Secretary):

- Wayne asked the AACA members in attendance for the names of any members who had passed away since the previous annual business meeting. A moment of silence was observed for beloved AACA member, Patrick W. Tank, who lost his cancer battle in July of 2012.

5. Journal Committee Report (Brian MacPherson – AACA President-Elect):

- Brian, the Chair of the AACA Journal Committee, announced Shane Tubbs took over as Editor-In-Chief for our journal, *Clinical Anatomy* in October of 2012.
- Brian discussed the renegotiations of our new Publisher's Agreement with Wiley and the new editorial agreement with Shane Tubbs.

6. Journal Report (Shane Tubbs – *Clinical Anatomy* Editor-in-Chief):

- Shane thanked Stephen Carmichael for his years of service in charge of *Clinical Anatomy*.
- He introduced his new editorial board, showed comparable journals and their impact factors (IF) in relation to our journal, and emphasized what types of papers affect our IF the most.
- *Clinical Anatomy* received ~50 submissions per month or ~600 submissions in 2012.
- Changes to *Clinical Anatomy* in 2012 included implementing a new cover color scheme, two week review process, blinded review process, online videos, online copyright form, required acknowledgment for cadaveric studies, and online search of back issues by topic.
- Shane thanked the members of the AACA for their work in reviewing manuscripts and their valued input, which impacts the quality of the *Clinical Anatomy* journal.

7. Committee Elections (Anne Agur – AACA President):

- Two Members-at-Large for the Bylaws Committee were accepted by acclamation by the membership (April Richardson and Todd Olson).
- The Financial Affairs Committee had one member accepted by acclamation (David Porta).
- Two members were voted onto the Nominating Committee (Greg Smith and Shane Tubbs).
- The standing committees of the Association (Educational Affairs, Career Development, and Anatomical Services) will elect new members at their breakfast meetings.

8. Report of the Program Secretary (Rick Clemente – AACA Meeting Chair):

- Rick presented the MOPP Committee report in place of Noelle Granger. He summarized the work of the MOPP committee. He stated the 2014 AACA Annual Meeting will be in Orlando, 2015 Meeting in San Antonio, and 2016 Meeting in San Francisco.

9. Report of the Annual Meeting Chair (Rick Clemente - 2013 AACA Annual Meeting Chair):

- Rick explained that the introduction of the CAT committee as a standing committee will create a rotating schedule for standing committee symposia. The MOPP committee is revamping the protocol for abstract submissions to facilitate better programming. Rick thanked Caitlin Hyatt and Shanan Molnar (both of ASG) for their continued efforts and help throughout the past year.

10. Future Meetings (Andy Payer – Local Host of 2014 AACA Annual Meeting):

- Andy Payer invited the membership to attend the 31th Annual Meeting in Orlando, Florida in July of 2014. He shared highlights of the facilities at the University of Central Florida (our local host).

11. Adjournment: Anne passed the presidential gavel to Brian MacPherson, the new AACA President, at the conclusion of the business meeting. The 2013 AACA Annual Business Meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Wayne Lambert, Ph.D., AACA Secretary