

American Academy of Sanitarians

2011 Annual Meeting

June 19, 2011

1. Chairman Report (Gary Noonan chaired the meeting for Robert Powitz)

- Welcome and Introductions of members present was made.
- New Members were announced and acknowledged:
 - Donald Gary Brown, Dr.PH, RS
 - Carolyn Hester Harvey, PhD, RS
 - Jason S. Finley, MS, REHS, RS
 - Thomas A. Vyles, MA, REHS/RS
- Gary P. Noonan, MPA, RS was recognized as a new Diplomate Laureate.
- 2010 Minutes were approval.
- Dr. Hank Koren's Proposal to the Academy was discussed.
A copy of Dr. Koren's proposal assemble a knowledge base of the profession was distributed and discussed. Keith Krinn presented the proposal to the NEHA board who discussed and tabled the proposal. The proposal is similar to the current AAS project to archive member's papers, but would expand to model programs and projects from agencies. ECU and other schools expressed interest in using grad student's time. ECU's offer included no cost to AAS. A committee of Keith Krinn, Dan Harper, Chuck Tresser, and Charles Otto to refine a proposal to bring back NEHA and AAS. Chuck Tresser will convene the group.

2. Secretary and Treasure's Report (Gary Noonan)

- A Financial Statement was reviewed, discussed, and approved.
- Results of Election of Board Members – Four candidates ran: Alan Dellapenna, Wendell Moore, Sheila Presley, Michele Samarya-Timm. It was a close election, Alan Dellapenna was elected for a 2nd term and Wendell Moore for a 1st term.
- This was the first year using PayPal and Electronic Voting. Both systems are working. Many are using PayPal and electronic voting went well. We'll continue using the systems.

3. Wagner Award Committee Report (Thomas Crow)

Craig Shepherd received this year's Wagner Award. The awards ceremony went very well. Tom encouraged members to submit nominations next year; we have many in the profession deserving recognition.

4. Credentialing Committee Report (Gary Noonan for Robert Powitz)

Members were encouraged to propose membership of colleagues. After 15 years Dr. Powitz is stepping down from leading the committee. Michele Samarya-Timm elected new committee chair.

5. Nominating Committee Report (Vincent Radke/Tom Crow)

The nomination committee of made a brief report and committed to add bio information for next election. Charles Otto was added to the Nominating Committee.

6. Crumbine Award (Keith Krinn for George Nakamura, AAS representative to the Crumbine Award Jury)

The selection was done by phone this year. Six applicants were reviewed, it was a very competitive group on nominees. Toronto Health Department was selected.

7. Scholarships Awards (Jim Balasamo, AAS representative and Chair of the AAS/ENEHA Award Committee)

The graduate scholarship applicants were strong this year. Several undergraduate applications were submitted, but only 2 were eligible for consideration. They were good finalists.

8. Old Business

- Membership Directory (Revisited) – (Gary Noonan)

A paper version of the membership directory has been completed and will be mailed. Concerns over privacy have prevented posting on the website. Michele Samarya-Timm volunteered to distribute the directory.

- Update on ongoing Archive Project – (Gary Noonan for Charles Otto)

This project is ongoing and new content is being added as it becomes available and Charles has time to format it and post it on the website.

- Student Mentoring and Hosting - Brian Collins

Brian reported on an initiative he lead to coordinate mentoring and hosting a room for students attending the NEHA Conference. The initiative went very well. Brian appreciated the generous support of AAS members but expressed concern for the limited number of AAS members (11) that stepped up to serve as mentors when his call for mentors went out. Members were encouraged to respond quickly next year. 30 students came to the mentoring session; there has been very positive response to the initiative. Rick Collins volunteered to coordinate the initiative next year. Brian was commended for coordinated and leading the initiative. Exhibitors will be asked to support students scholarship next year. Sheila was commended to making a very hospitable lounge, she did a great job. The group discussed alternatives to improve support for student meal support and program next year. The Academy commended Brian, Sheila, and Pricilla for their excellent work this year, it the type of work the Academy should for the future of the profession.

9. New Business

- Gary Noonan discussed the status of Incorporation in Georgia for AAS. An attorney has been contact and they are in the process of filing for incorporation in Georga.
- Gary also discussed that the application for 501c3 status with the IRS for the Academy is also in process.

- Next meeting and luncheon plan The group voted to hold a meeting without a lunch included. The consensus was the cost of a hotel catered meal was excessive.