

# AMERICAN ACADEMY OF SANITARIANS, INC.

## *Prestigious Recognition for Environmental Health Professionals Board of Directors and Annual Business Meeting*

Thursday, June 30, 2022

**I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Memorium**

**Collins / Bradley**

Chairman Collins called the Annual Business Meeting to order at 11:07 pm PT.

Board members present

Brian Collins – Chair

Eric Bradley – Executive Secretary/Treasurer

Tim Murphy

Wendy Fanaselle

Daniel Oerther

Vince Radke – Vice chair

Robert Powitz

Michele Samarya-Timm

Jason Finley

Absent

Wendell Moore – Past Chair

Guests

Doug Farquhar – NEHA

**II. In Memoria – Larry Gordon**

**Radke**

Vice-Chair Radke discussed Larry Gordon's impact on the Academy and on EH. A moment of silence was held.

**III. Approval of Meeting Agenda**

**Collins**

Chair Collins asked to move *VI Definition of a Sanitarian* to before *X Awards/New Diplomates/Recognition*. Amended agenda approved.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

**Collins**

Chair Collins asked Board Members to approve the Board Meeting minutes from February 2022. Motion by Chuck Treser and second by Tim Murphy. Meeting minutes from February 2022 approved.

**V. Principal Officer Reports**

**Collins, Radke, Bradley**

See attached reports

**VI. Board Elections**

**Collins**

Chair Collins reported that Jessica Otto was elected to fill a 3-year term and Jill Shugart was elected to fill the remaining 2-years left on the empty board seat due to Jim Dingman's passing.

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### VII. Constitution and By-Laws

Collins

Chair Collins announced that the revised Constitution and the revised By-Laws were approved by membership. The Board confirmed and adopted the revisions.

### VIII. Committee Reports

Chairs / Co-Chairs

See attached reports

### IX. Sanitarian Definition

Collins

Chair Collins reported that the membership survey asking for feedback on the proposed definition did not result in a consensus. The definition will go back to the committee for more discussion.

### X. Awards/New Diplomates/Recognition

Collins

Captain (ret) Charles Otto was presented with the Wagner Award and a \$500 honorarium. Diplomate Otto asked that the \$500 be donated to the NEHA/AAS Scholarship.

Captain Michael Quinn was presented with the Todd Award and a \$500 honorarium. Captain Quinn asked that the \$500 be donated to the Association of Environmental Health Academic Programs.

Chair Collins read out the names of the newest Diplomates and Diplomate Laureate's.

Chair Collins asked the Board to approve Stan Hazan as an Honorary Diplomate. Approved.

Chair Collins asked the Board to approve James Balsamo, Jr and Charles Treser as Diplomate Emeritus. Approved.

Chair Collins recognized the contributions made by Welford Roberts as Executive Secretary from 2020-2021.

Chair Collins recognized the contributions of Gary Noonan as Executive Secretary/Treasurer from 1998-2021.

### XI. Term Conclusion and Transfer of Chair

Collins

Chair Collins virtually passed the gavel to Vice-Chair Radke

### XII. Welcome

Radke

Chair Radke opened the Board meeting at 12:40 pm PT and there was a quorum present.

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- XIII. Presentation of Past Chair Award** **Radke**  
Chair Radke virtually presented Past Chair Collins with the Past Chair Award.
- XIV. Election of Vice Chair** **Radke**  
Chair Radke announced that Diplomate Laureate Michele Samayra-Timm has submitted her name for Vice Chair. Chair Radke opened the floor for additional nominations. There were no nominations. Diplomate Samayra-Timm is the first female Vice Chair in the Academy's history.
- XV. Appointment of Board Vacancy** **Radke**  
With the election of Vice Chair Samayra-Timm, her Board seat is not empty. Diplomate Jennifer Dobson received the 3<sup>rd</sup> most votes in the election and was appointed to fill the remaining 1-yr term of the now empty Board seat.
- XVI. 2022-2024 Objectives** **Radke**  
Chair Radke discussed his objectives and vision for his term as chair.
- XVII. NEHA Mangold** **Farquhar/Radke**  
Doug Farquhar was going to speak about the Mangold Award, but had to leave before this part of the agenda. It has been a struggle to get nominations for the Mangold the past few years. The Academy and NEHA will be working to determine a plan to move forward with the award.
- XVIII. Diplomate/Awards Criteria** **Radke**  
Chair Radke discussed some feedback that was received from some Diplomates regarding the need to revise the requirements for Diplomate Laureate, Diplomate Emeritus and Honorary Diplomate. A committee will be put together to develop recommendations.
- XIX. Open Discussion** **All**
- XX. Meetings** **Radke**  
Board meeting dates to be determined
- XXI. Adjournment** **Radke**  
Chair Radke adjourned the meeting.



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*Chair's Report  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, June 30, 2022*

*Facilitated Board elections, Constitution and Bylaws and Sanitarian Definition approvals.*

*Submitted two (2) Emeritus and one (1) Honorary Diplomat nominations to Awards Committee.*

*Participated with NEHA Government Affairs regarding advocacy and Mangold Award.*

*Donated funds for AAS Diplomat lapel pins.*

*Representing AAS at NEHA Town Hall, Awards Ceremony and EAHAC/AEHAP meetings.*

*Managed several "delicate" Academy internal matters.*

*Worked meeting logistics with NEHA and AAS Executive Secretary.*

*Acquired Wagner Award Plaque, Board Chair Gavel, and Past Chair Plaque for presentations.*

*Wrote many letters and made many calls on behalf of the Academy.*

*Interacted regularly with V-Chair, Ex. Secretary and Board.*

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### **Vice-Chair Annual Report Board of Directors Annual Business Meeting Thursday, June 30, 2022**

1. Member of the AAS Credentialing Committee
2. Member of a AAS Ad Hoc Working Group reviewing the definition and meaning of what it means to be a Sanitarian as well as the scope of practice and KSAs of the sanitarian profession
3. Member of the Diplomate Laureate Committee
4. Recruiting AAS members to run for a AAS BOD position
5. Worked with the AAS Chair on issues involving the AAS
6. Member of the NEHA Policy and Bylaws Committee
7. Member of the NEHA History Task Force
8. Interim Chair of the AAS Finance Committee
9. Wrote an AAS article for the May, 2022 issue of the NEHA JEH
10. Gave a talk at the NEHA annual meeting on May 3, 2022
11. Attended all BOD meeting of the AAS

Vince Radke  
Vice Chair  
American Academy of Sanitarians, Inc.



**2022**  
**AMERICAN ACADEMY OF SANITARIANS**  
**TREASURERS REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
September 16, 2021 to June 23, 2022

**INCOME**

Dues 2022	\$ 4,170.00
Miscellaneous Donations	\$ 1,690.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,860.00</b>

**EXPENSES**

AffiniPay (Website Transaction Fee)	\$ 199.05
Conference on Food Protection - Crumline (2022)	\$ 550.00
AEC Booth Rental (2022)	\$ 1,410.00
Wild Apricot Assn. Management and Web Hosting (2021-2022)	\$ 648.00
Survey Monkey Teams	\$ 981.01
Lapel Pins / Ribbons	\$ 754.25
In Memoria (Donations/Flowers)	\$ 330.27
Miscellaneous & Office Expenses (Certificates, State fees, shipping, Plaques, stamps, Administrative work)	\$ 1,506.67
Award Honorariums (Wagner and Todd)	\$ 1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,379.25</b>

**ASSETS****ON HAND**

Checking Account (GreenState CU)	\$ 23,633.18
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**LONG TERM INVESTMENTS**

Wagner Fund Account CD (GreenState CU)	\$ 50,187.58
0.8% Matures 01/12/2023	
(Combined Fidelity #1096 & 1094)	

Scholarship Fund Account (GreenState CU)	\$ 17,565.65
0.8% Matures 01/12/2023	

Misc. Account (GreenState CU)	\$ <u>17,565.65</u>
0.8% Matures 01/12/2023	

<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$ 85,318.88</b>
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 108,952.06</b>
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**TODD AWARD FUND**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 8,000.00</b>
Award for 2021	\$ - 500.00
<b>Additions for 2022</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>
Award for 2022	\$ - 500.00

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,600.00</b>
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### **Awards Committee Annual Report 2022**

#### **Purpose:**

Committee reviews petitions for the Davis Calvin Wagner Award, Diplomate Emeritus and Honorary Diplomate and makes recommendations to the Board for vote and final approval.

#### **Authority:**

Article VII, Section 6. *Committees and Consultants*, AAS Bylaws (2006).  
Article IX, Sections 2 and 4. *Classes of Membership*, AAS Bylaws (2006)

#### **Committee:**

CAPT. Wendy Fanaselle, DAAS – Chair and DCW, DAAS(E), DAAS(H) Lead  
CAPT. Mike Welch, DAAS  
CAPT. John Sarisky, DAAS  
Stephen R. Tackitt, DAAS  
Dr. Herman Koren, DLASS  
Keith Krinn, DAAS (Crumbine Jurist)  
Dr. Sheila Davidson Pressley, DAAS (Deceased)  
George Nakamura, DAAS (Crumbine Jurist – Deceased))

#### **Committee Activity Report for 20021-2022:**

The lack of a Wagner Award winner in 2021 and the passing of Dr. Sheila Davidson Pressley and George Nakamura impacted our committee membership this year. We are grateful to CAPT Mike Welch (retired), CAPT John Sarisky (retired), Stephen R. Tackitt, and Keith Krinn to volunteer as Awards Committee members this year to help us fill committee member vacancies. The committee approved the nomination of James J. Balsamo Jr., DLASS and Charles D. Treser, DAAS to the Diplomate Emeritus status for contributions to the Academy above and beyond the normal call of duty. The committee also approved the nomination of Stan Hazen, MPH, MBA, Senior Director, Scientific and Regulatory Affairs, with the NSF International as an Honorary Diplomate, for his accomplishments, support, and contributions to the Environmental and Public Health profession. The committee also selected CAPT. Charles S. Otto III, REHS, DAAS (retired) as the 2022 recipient of the Davis Calvin Wagner Award. Based on discussion within the committee on the criteria for Diplomate Emeritus and Honorary Diplomate, the committee recommends that the Board approve an ad hoc committee to review and update (if needed) the criteria for Diplomate Emeritus and Honorary Diplomate status.





## American Academy of Sanitarians Committee Report

**Name of Committee:** Constitution and Bylaws Committee

**Committee Chair:** James Dingman, DLAAS

**Committee Members:** Dr. Timothy Murphy, RS, PhD, DAAS - Tom Vyles DAAS - Katie Bante, DAAS – Mary O'Conner, DAAS – Dr. Adam London, DAAS – Eric Bradley, DLAAS

**Committee Activities:** The charge of the committee was to review the AAS Constitution and Bylaws (Adopted 2006) and AAS Proposed Constitution and Bylaws (Proposed 2016). And to seek input from the Board of Directors and general membership. The committee then used those documents and selected feedback to create a draft AAS Constitution and Bylaws for Board review. After several drafts, and reviews the documents were submitted to the Board for review/revisions. Upon approval of the Board the new AAS Constitution and Bylaws were submitted to the membership for a vote. The revised documents were approved by the membership in May 2022.

**Requests for the Board:** None

**Report Date:** June 22, 2022

**Reported by:** Dr. Tim Murphy

## NEHA/AAS Scholarship Committee Report -2022

By

James J. Balsamo, Jr., Committee Chair

June 15, 2022

The NEHA/AAS Scholarship Committee has completed its work for 2022. Despite the many challenges we have all had during 2021 and 2022, the progress of the Committee moved forward. With the help of a new NEHA Liaison to the Committee, Heather Folker and the members of the Scholarship Committee, Bob Powitz, Keith Krinn, Robert Nelson, Harry Grenawitzke, Michele Samarya-Timm, Michele Dimaggio and Bob Washam, we were able to receive and review the qualified scholarship applications. Three longtime Scholarship Committee Members, Keith Johnson, Petrona Lee, and Marie Woodin resigned during the past year and a half. We were able to replace one of these members with Michele Dimaggio who did take part in this year's evaluation process. We will be contacting one excellently qualified NEHA-AAS member who applied for the vacant position last year to determine if that person is still interested in filling one of those two remaining vacant positions, and we will be moving to acquire other qualified candidates NEHA-AAS members from which to fill those two vacant positions.

We received a total of seventeen applications for the undergraduate and graduate scholarships, however, some applications were found not to contain all of the essential and clearly stated elements required for a complete application. Other applications were not qualified for review and ranking because some students submitted applications that showed they would have graduated before the scholarships were even announced, even though it is clearly stated in the scholarship application information that applicants must have, at least, one or more semesters of school remaining to be eligible for these scholarships. This means that the scholarship money would not have been able to be applied to tuition and fees for which the funds must be used. Such applicants would have already graduated from their university. Despite these bumps in the road, we did secure an excellent group of qualified applicants from which to choose this year. After completing the initial screening process, we were able to review and rank two undergraduate and eight graduate applications.

The Committee in response to the wishes of both NEHA and AAS of the need for well- educated and well-prepared Environmental Health students committed to working as Sanitarians/ Environmental Health professionals and contributing to the public health of communities, the application announcements and packets emphasized these points. The result of this emphasis yielded many outstanding applications from which the Committee could review and rank which made the work challenging but worthwhile. Below are the student scholarship winners for 2022.

### Graduate Scholarship:

The graduate scholarship winner is Mindy Chambrelli, who is a member of NEHA, is enrolled in the Master's in Public Health Program at the University of New England, where she maintained a 3.86 GPA (on 4.0 system) GPA and expects to graduate in May of 2023. She is presently employed by Darien Connecticut Health Department where she is currently the Acting Director of Health, and she holds A State of Connecticut RS Certification and also a REHS from NEHA. She is the 2020 President of the Connecticut Environmental Health Association (CTEHA) and received the 2020 "Sanitarian of the Year Award from CTEHA. Mindy has stated that she wants to focus on recruitment and branding of the

environmental health profession along with highlighting the environmental health profession and informing the public about the protective role these professionals provide.

Undergraduate Scholarships:

The undergraduate scholarships were awarded to Haley Ritchie and Michell Leonard.

Haley Ritchie is an undergraduate student at the University of Findlay majoring in Environmental Health, Safety, and Sustainability and expects to graduate in May 2024. She has a 3.7 GPA on a 4.0 System. She has a passion for problem solving to help mitigate and/or eliminate hazards. Haley serves as Public Relation Officer for the Oiler Environmental Safety and Health Organization. She plans after graduation to concurrently pursue a career protecting the environment and the health of individuals in her community. Later she hopes to pursue a master's degree in environmental policy and help shape the next generation of Environmental Health and Safety Professionals.

Michell Leonard is a Montana resident where she learned the value and importance of healthy waters resources. She is an undergraduate student at Montana State University, Bozeman majoring in their Accredited Environmental Health degree program where she has maintained a 3.72 GPA on a 4.0 System degree program. She stated that she realizes the beauty of nature and how it impacts people through food sources, transportation, and recreation but also she has observed the negative impacts of pollution and erosion as well as the death of many fragile ecosystems. It has been said of Michell that she is the type of person who can actually solve problems on the fly and does not let things overwhelm her. She expects to graduate with a BS in Microbiology and Environmental Health in May 2023.

The NEHA-AAS Scholarship Program is being planned for great expansion as per the stated vision of Dr. David Dyjack and which has begun with the voluntary financial support of the NEHA Board and Officers as well as the NEHA Staff. There have been discussions about plans to expand outward to other environmentally based organizations and philanthropic organizations to support the NEHA- AAS Scholarship Program. I invite all of you to think how this can be accomplished so that we can offer more scholarships with increases in the size/amounts of the scholarship awards. Please just drop me a note explaining your ideas to expand our outreach program so we can support more environmental health students pursuing degrees from accredited universities with recognized programs in environmental health.

Lastly, I want to thank NEHA and AAS for their continued financial support of this student scholarship program and being equal partners in making it possible to support student education through this program.



James J. Balsamo, Jr., MS, MPH, MHA, R.S., CP-FS, CHSP, CHMM, CSP, DLAAS  
Chair, NEHA/AAS Scholarship

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### **Credentialing Committee Report for 2022 Annual Meeting 2021 - 2022**

#### **Objective:**

The Credentialing Committee shall review all candidate applications. A plurality of Committee member votes is needed to accept a candidate as a Diplomat in the Academy.

#### **Authority:**

Article VII. *Committees and Consultants*, AAS Constitution (2006).

#### **Process:**

Article IX. *Certification of Diplomates*, AAS Constitution (2006).

#### **Committee:**

Jason Finley, DAAS – Chair  
Gary Coleman, DAAS  
Eric Bradley, DLAAS  
Vince Radke, DLAAS  
Gary Noonan, DLAAS  
Robert Powitz, DLAAS  
Michele Samara-Timm, DLAAS

#### **Goal:**

Recruit, vet, review and approve five (5) or more qualified Diplomates per year 2021 – 2022. Chair reports in writing and verbally at Board of Directors meetings. Chair provides a summary of activities and recruitments for the year at the Annual Business Meeting.

#### **Accomplishment:**

Approval of following eight (8) candidates for Induction into the Academy:  
Sean Beeman, DAAS - March 2021; Bridget Sweet, DAAS – May 2021  
Brian Hanft, DAAS – June 2021; Henroy Scalett, DAAS – October 2021  
Kai Elgethun, DAAS – December 2021; Isaac Ampadu, DAAS – December 2021  
Andrea Tsatoke, DAAS – December 2021; Catherine Beaucham, DAAS – March 2022

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NEW DIPLOMATE'S  
SINCE THE 2019 AEC

KATIE L. BANTE

MARK A. OTTO

BRIAN M. LEFFERTS

MAURICE REDMOND

DANIELLE S. MILLS

LUIS O. RODRIGUEZ

JESSICA L. OTTO

MICHAEL A PASCUCILLA

SEAN P. BEEMAN

BRIDGET L. SWEET

BRIAN L. HANFT

HENROY P. SCARLETT

KAI E. ELGETHUN

ISAAC N. AMPADU

ANDREA L. TSATOKE

CATHERINE C. BEAUCHAM

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DIPLOMATE  
LAUREATE'S

SINCE THE 2019 AEC

WELFORD C. ROBERTS  
FRANCIS C. HART  
ERIC F. BRADLEY

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HONORARY  
DIPLOMATE'S

SINCE THE 2019 AEC

DAVID DYJACK  
STAN HAZAN



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DIPLOMATE  
EMERITUS

SINCE THE 2019 AEC

GARY NOONAN  
CHARLES TRESER  
JAMES BALSAMO, JR.





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*Office of the Chair  
Recognition of Exemplary Contribution*

*Vince Radke DLAAS – Vice Chair*

*Eric Bradley DLAAS – Secretary/Treasurer*

*Wendell A. Moore DAAS – Past Chair, Nominating and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee Chair*

*Vince Radke DLAAS, Eric Bradley DLAAS – Finance Committee Chairs*

*Jason Finley DAAS – Credentialing Committee Chair*

*James Balsamo DAAS - E – Scholarship Committee Chair, Former Director*

*Wendy Fanaselle DAAS – Awards Committee Chair*

*Robert Powitz DLAAS – Strategic Planning and DLAAS Committee Chair*

*Michele Samarya-Timm DLAAS – Communications and Marketing Chair*

*James Dingman DLAAS (deceased), Timothy Murphy DAAS –*

*Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chairs*

*Gary Noonan DAAS - E - Former Secretary/Treasurer (2008-2022)*

*Welford Roberts DLAAS – Secretary (2020-2021)*

*Dan Oerther DAAS, Former Board Director*

*David Dyjack DAAS - H – NEHA Executive Director and CEO*

*Doug Farquhar – NEHA Director of Government Affairs*

*Lily Gamaz – Contract Executive Assistant*

*NEHA/AAS Scholarship Donors*

*AAS Committee Members and Donors*

*NEHA Staff*

*American Academy of Sanitarians*

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Meeting Minutes:

Respectfully submitted: *Eric Bradley, DLAAS, Executive Secretary*

Date: 9/27/22

Approved: *Board*

Date: 11/4/22

Executive Secretary: *Eric Bradley, DLAAS*

Date: 11/4/22

