

# ACADEMY OF NEUROLOGIC COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 14, 2001

Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans, LA.

## Items of Business

1. Call to order and welcome

The meeting was called to order by President Katz at 8: 31 a.m.

2. Acknowledgements

Dr. Katz acknowledged ANCDs members who are ASHA Fellows and Editors' Award recipients this year. He thanked the individuals involved in organizing this year's ANCDs meeting, including Janet Patterson, Continuing Education coordinator; Lee Ann Golper, who organized the morning session on practice guidelines; Carol Frattali, Education and Standards Committee Chair and organizer of the afternoon session; Carol Stach, the Meeting Chair; Singular Delmar-Thompson Publishing, which will have a table at the meeting; Frances Laven, the Association Executive; all those who came here to attend the meeting in difficult circumstances; and the general membership for how they represent the rest of us all year long, casting us in a positive light.

3. Practice guidelines

President Katz reported that in the past year, ANCDs has established plans to obtain support for the guidelines development process from ASHA, Special Interest Division 2, and the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

4. Dues

President Katz announced that there would be no increase this year. The billing cycle will be changed, however.

5. Minutes

Lyn Turkstra moved to accept the minutes as distributed. The motion was unanimously passed.

6. Treasurer's report (See attached report)

Mary Kennedy reported that the balance at year's end is expected to be just over \$19,000. Last year, there was no profit or loss from the annual meeting. This year's meeting has been about the same in terms of expenses. Dr. Kennedy noted that the grants from ASHA and SID2 to support the practice guidelines project are included in the budget. Kathryn Yorkston moved to accept the Treasurer's report, and the motion was unanimously passed.

7. Election results

Dr. Golper announced that the election was held this summer, and that there were stellar candidates on the slate. The Officers for 2002-2003 include Mary Kennedy, re-elected as Treasurer, and Lyn Turkstra, re-elected as Secretary. As members-at-large, Jennifer Horner and Gail Ramsberger are replacing Anita Halpern and Fran Tucker. Dr. Golper thanked the individuals who are rotating off and those who are on or joining the Executive Board for their service.

8. Report from the Executive Board Meeting

Dr. Katz summarized topics discussed at the Executive Board meeting, Tuesday, November 13, 2001. ANCDS has a continuing partnership with the Journal of Medical Speech-Language Pathology, which publishes regular ANCDS bulletins and where published practice guidelines will appear. Chick LaPointe acknowledged another year of this wonderful relationship. Dr. LaPointe reported that JMSLP has published four ANCDS bulletins and the proceedings from last year's meeting, and that practice guidelines will be published in Volume 10(4) in two articles: an introduction to the guidelines, and guidelines for management of velopharyngeal function from the Dysarthria Practice Guidelines Writing Committee. He also noted that Singular has a table at the meeting.

9. Membership Committee

Janet Patterson reported that there are 40 new members (12 full, 28 associate) for total of 228. The goal of Membership Committee is to increase membership, so they welcome any ideas for recruiting new members.

10. Continuing Education

Janet Patterson asked participants to note the scantron form in their meeting packet for ASHA. This form must be completed for ASHA CE's. She asked participants to complete the program evaluation forms. President Katz thanked Janet for her work setting up CE's for the meeting.

11. Certification Board

Carl Coelho announced that there would be a 90-minute ASHA session November 15, 2001, giving an overview of certification process. He reported that seven applicants are in the pipeline for certification. Four have just passed the process and Dr. Coelho acknowledged them as our newest certified members: Ruby Drew, from Western Carolina University; Jackie Hinckley, from the University of Florida; Dierdre Moore from the Center for Neurological Rehabilitation in Indianapolis; and Katie Ross, from the VA Medical Center in Phoenix. President Katz announced that new questions were being made up for the examination, and would be solicited from us. There have been and will be changes at the Certification Board to streamline the certification process. President Katz acknowledged Dr. Coelho's work on the Certification Board.

12. Announcements

Nancy Helm-Estabrooks announced the publication of A Stockbridge Homecoming by Penelope Duffy (aka Myers). Penny had just appeared in Boston at the New England

Book Fair and it was suggested that she might be available for book signing. Dr. Helm-Estabrooks noted that it was a wonderful story and anticipated that it would be adopted for television.

Nancy Helm-Estabrooks announced a post-doctoral fellowship to begin January 1, 2002, at the Harold Goodglass Center and circulated applications.

13. Education and Standards Committee

Carol Frattali circulated a form to solicit educational content requests from the membership for next year's meeting. She asked participants to list topics of interest and identify potential speakers to speak on those topics.

14. President Katz gave a special acknowledgement of Dr. Yorkston's work on the practice guidelines.

The meeting was adjourned by President Katz at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyn Turkstra, Ph.D., BC-NCD, Secretary

**Approval pending**