

## DELEGATE REPORT BY ANGELA CYZA

Friday June 22, 2018

### HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING

Opened by Beth Weber at 8:05

Presentation of the flags

First House of Delegates Meeting

Credential Report: 110 Affiliate, 57 Chapter, 157 Total Delegates: Vote and Adoption of report

Recognition of life members and fellows

Report Due August 23

Delegate Orientation

Adoption of Delegate Standing Rules

Adoption of Agenda

Memorial resolution (Francis Apple Art Collection)

Courtesy Resolution for Jonathan Mazal

Presentation of President Annual Report by Amanda Garlock

- New Student assistance programs

- MRI safety practices-White paper available on ASRT website in July/August 2018

- Power of A (associations) initiative –online portal created

- Officer Elections 2018-19: Stephanie Johnson-Pres Elect, Mike Odgren-VP, Kristie Moore Secretary, Danny Gonzalez-Treasurer (new position)

Most Foundation Affiliate Drawing Tickets sold: Most tickets sold Ohio, Philadelphia, most money per capita Vermont, Virginia: each receives \$750

Outstanding Grass Roots Advocacy: Individual: Brian Rich-Texas Society Winner: Pennsylvania PSRT

Most active chapter awards: CT 3rd<sup>t</sup>, Education and MRI 2<sup>nd</sup>, RA 1<sup>st</sup>

Nominations of speaker and vice speaker of the house are open:

Beth Weber: Speaker of the House

Vice Speaker: Joseph Whitton

## **ASRT UPDATE**

Sal Martino (CEO) will be with ASRT through 2020

154,000 members

Directed Reading Flex Plan: most popular benefit. Instant access to 15 CE credits

ASRT Live: new webcasts, members and non-members can log in and take monthly online classes for credits.

Successful Advocacy Efforts: 43 states have licensure laws.

Foundation: \$347,000 in awards, scholarships, research grants, international programs, a majority is funded by member support

### **Challenges:**

Encroachment on our profession: RN Encroachment on VA facilities- were able to defend

Threats to State Licensure: Kentucky, New Hampshire threatened

### **Support for Affiliates**

-affiliate development program-only 26 affiliates have met requirements, so the application requirements will be eased. \$1 million has been approved by the ASRT board of directors for 3 year extension. 1. ASRT will purchase comprehensive insurance for affiliates 2. Remove alternate delegate requirement to qualify for affiliate financial assistance program (will remain in the bylaws, but on the application it will be changed) 3. Minimum affiliate funding raised to \$5000. More information to come in ASRT communications.

-Online Advocacy academy

Compliance suite: supplies tools to refresh skills

20000 students have utilized the student exam assessment library "SEAL"

Scientific Journals

Track and transfer--#1 benefit

Power of A (associations)

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: 2020, Museum Expansion, New Shadowmakers (book about RT history), June 24-28, 2020 (2 days of education)

### **In Memory**

Francis Apple

Becky Kruse

Jonathan Mazal

Lynn May

### **Question Open Forum**

Removal of alternate affiliate delegates-16 affiliates have not been qualified for the financial assistance money because of this. This requirement has only been removed from the application, but it is still required for the bylaw, and you will go on probation.

New insurance: ASRT will provide insurance through one large company/policy. Everyone will be under this one policy and ASRT will pay for it all

Annual Report online has a detailed financial report for anyone interested, ASRT is in excellent financial shape and able to weather any upcoming storms per Sal Martino. 154,000 members 120 staff members. Lobbyists in DC are watching defensively instead of acting offensively. That budget has been cut by 85%. ARRT has funded some state lobbyists. State advocacy is more important for influence in these issues.

Next steps in Missouri, Penn, Idaho: The goal is to get the last 7 states to have licensure state laws.

**Presidential Initiative**: many white papers and other benefit advancements each year.

By Melissa Jackowski-

-Expanded Research Programs: new grants for novice researchers, published in ASRT journal

-New Leadership Academy: updated program with new curriculum and best practice skills, online component, on-site, mandatory commitments

-Increased State Advocacy Efforts-educating members about the state society roles and importance

### **OPEN FORUM ON ISSUE OF COMBINED DUES**

Sal Martino spoke about current membership trends and climate. Last investigation was in 2002 and actions taken, but ultimately it was determined that the financial burden did not outweigh the gain.

Results from recent survey taken Nov 2017:

Sent to current and former ASRT members and affiliate members

142,000 emails sent out. 11, 711 returned. 11, 600 of those were ASRT members. 2879 were both affiliate and ASRT. 28 were lapsed members and 5 were affiliate only.

Common definition (same as 2002): would combine affiliates and ASRT dues into a single fee. Members would be REQUIRED to be both. ASRT would combine dues and the same amounts would be given to all affiliates.

52% affiliate only would drop membership

58% of ASRT members only would drop membership

17% of dual members would drop

Membership income 8 million last year, so this drop in membership would dramatically impact this financial total approx. 9 million

Decision will be made in Sept 2018 (adopt or not adopt)

Questions:

There would be 1 fee for all affiliates (would be set standard) 125 for ASRT 45 for affiliate. (Students, life members, etc would probably be incorporated into this but it is unsure how) In the past “operational complexities” prevented adoption.

The results of the survey are not posted. But anyone who wants a copy, it can be provided personally.

Possibly Online application would have a link to the state affiliate so people can join both at the same time (link to website or to ASRT assistance)

## **ARRT REPORT**

### **Obtaining Credentials : Eligibility Pathways. The distinction of primary and post-primary has been updated.**

Post-primary Eligibility Pathway

1. Supporting credential requirements
2. Clinical experience requirements
3. Structured education requirements

### **Transition from “related to” to “linked to” for structured education**

Sixteen hours linked to the exam’s main content categories, and at least one hour from each main category

CE sponsors and programs have to submit information

\*\*\*missed 3<sup>rd</sup> point

### **Impending change for Radiation Therapy Pass/fail point effective Early 2019**

#### **Obtaining and Maintaining: Ethics**

RT must notify of violations within 30 days and applicants must do the same

#### **Maintaining Credentials: Biennial CE**

Jan 2018 report educational activities does not result in credential. However, individual course work or structured education might qualify, but not the exam itself

#### **Maintaining Credentials: CQR**

Identify and remediate areas where knowledge and skills—10 year period (began Jan 1, 2011)

3 years to complete process

Participants will receive advance notice to guide them through the process

3 part process: professional profile, self-assessment, CQR to fill knowledge gaps

If there are no gaps in knowledge, you can choose which CE credits you want to do, it will not be directed to you.

### **Communications**

Stories of Quality Care

I am the Gold Standard nomination program

Outreach and education grants

Up to 52 \$500 educational grants yearly

One grant per ASRT active affiliate

Affiliate annual meeting resources

Grand brochures, ARRT publications, giveaways and signage

### **Advocacy**

State Legislation (RT, RRA) Federal Legislation (RA)

### **Online video library**

Includes 2 videos about the CQR process, ethics, exam development, exam security, CE requirements

### **Questions:**

What is the cost to take the CQR test (proctoring) ANSWER: if you miss the appointment without rescheduling there will be a fee, otherwise costs are covered by ARRT

Can the affiliates obtain the contact information from ARRT in order to reach out to them after they pass a new registry exam ANSWER: ARRT will take it under advisement

Can affiliates get a mailing list for all techs: if you go online and use this information. It will be provided 2 free per year (would pay after that). Art website and search mailing list.

### **JRCERT REPORT**

New member added: Director of Instructional Design and Technology: Tricia Legget

Standards Revision (every 10 years they are reviewed) can be viewed on the Standards Revision Webpage. The public can then review standards and then ask questions and make suggestions. 1<sup>st</sup> year of revisions process has been completed. Year 2 working on processing the comments from revisions.

Pulse Newsletter: Summary of April or Oct Board meetings and incorporates important news items for the JRCERT.

JRCERT: 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2019 and will be hosting a two day educational conference on Nov 4-5, 2019 in Chicago. Information regarding registration and a call for speakers will be posted to the website soon.

## **Standards Revision Timeline**

Initiated Fall 2015

Dec 2017-sum 2018 collection of feedback for draft one and development of draft 2

Draft two available for comment late Fall 2018

April 2020 Board approval of final version

Jan 1, 2021 new standards become effective

Separating standards into certificate vs degree programs and they are doing that for every discipline that they accredit.

Standard 3.1: The sponsoring institution provides an adequate number of faculty to meet all educational, programmatic, accreditation and administrative requirements.

- Clinical coordinator is required when more than 15 students are enrolled.

6.2 The program monitors and maintains the following program effectiveness data:

- 3 year average credentialing exam pass rate of not less than 75 percent at first attempt within 6 mo of grad

- 3 year average job placement rate of not less than 75 percent within 12 mo of grad

- final part they are waiting until fall 2018 to discuss at board meeting due to comments

## **Site Visitors**

Greatest need:

Hospital based individuals

Radiation therapists, medical dosimetrists

Practitioners and distance education experience

See site visitors tab on website for more info or to sign up

## **Workshops**

Half day outcomes assessment and half day accreditation seminar- Nov 5, 2018 chicago

Site visitor's workshop

## **Questions:**

3 year pass rate might affect military chapter

Saturday June 23

## **BYLAWS OPEN FORUM AND COMMISSION HEARING**

Dan DeMaio: Chairman of the Committee on Bylaws

The proposed bylaws can be found in the handbook on pages 18-21

Proposed Amendment #1: NO DISCUSSION

Proposed Amendment #2: NO DISCUSSION

### **Commission Hearing**

Mike Odgren: Chairman of the Commission

The RA chapter has asked us to support a push for MARCA, go to the ASRT advocacy page and send a message to your representatives.

See delegate handbook for consent calendar and commission report.

The proposed Practice Standard amendments can be found on pages 24-39 in the delegate handbook.

C-18.06: This motion will be withdrawn in favor of C-18.07

C-18.13: commission recommends non-adoption. However, after review, the quality management committee plans to rescind this motion.

PSC plans to withdraw motion C-18.14.

C-18.16: The nuclear medicine chapter voiced some concerns with this revision, and changes may be brought forward after the chapter meeting.

## **OPEN FORUM ON THE PRACTICE STANDARDS DOCUMENT REVISION PROCESS**

The practice standards revision process is discussed and explained to encourage involvement in the committee.

### **OBJECTIVES:**

- Provide information on the history of the practice standards
- Discuss the current challenges with the documents and review
- Review a process improvement plan for more efficiency with improved utility

Suspend the charge to revise the Practice Standards for one year

Recommend revisions of review cycle

Recommend revisions of the flow charts and timeline

Is there a possibility of one unified document for the Practice Standards (as it was in the 90s)?  
(Currently, there are 13 individual documents, leaving room for inconsistencies and redundancies and cumbersome review method)

A final document will be provided for vote by the membership at next year's House of Delegates meeting.

Postings for feedback will be on the community pages

### **SPEAKER/VICE SPEAKER ELECTION OPEN FORUM**

Speeches given by both candidates and questions are taken by both from the House. Both are running unopposed.

Beth Weber-Speaker of the House

Joseph Whitton -Vice Speaker of the House

### **EDUCATION CHAPTER MEETING**

Presided by Jeff Killion

**ARRT Report:** CQR compliance window will begin Jan 2019 for all eligible after 2011.

Educators are encouraged to send a newsletter to alum and to have them check the ARRT website dashboard to get started.

Annual seal are no longer issued. Check website to verify status.

**JRCERT Report:** input needed for Draft 2 in October. Check the website and provide feedback.

Minnesota, Texas, New York and Oklahoma has large opportunity for jobs. There are also limited availability in the programs in Minn.

New York has "academy" students who are pathway students, but these students still do not know what rad techs do.

Problems overall with low intake rates and trouble with attrition.

Many colleges are creating a course about all of the health programs that is required to be taken before a student can apply to any of the programs.

Leadership Academy for educators will be reopened. Applications open July 1. 15 educators will be selected to participate in the first class.

Potential for students to leave for 5 years but then reach out again to see if we can get them to "reactivate"

### **RADIOGRAPHY CHAPTER MEETING**

**ARRT Report:** CQR is now open for those who applied after 2011.

Practice Analysis for radiography in fall of 2018



**JRCERT Report:** There is currently a standards review underway. Please submit feedback starting in Oct 2018.

There is a push for programs to encourage departments to have techs using best or common practice (shielding etc).

You can report things to ARRT ethics that you did not witness and that were reported to you.

June 24, 2018

## **SECOND HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING**

### **Committee on Bylaws Report by Dan DeMaio**

Bylaw Revisions will become effective upon the adjournment of the 2018 (minus any with specific start dates): UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Proposed Amendment #1 (February Deadline): UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

Proposed Amendment #2 (February Deadline): UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

### **Commission Report by Mike Odgren**

Consent Calendar (p23 in handbook)

Motions to pull from the calendar: c-18.03, c-18.05, c-18.06, c-18.07, c-18.13, and c-18.14 (c-18.16 request to pull has been removed)

Consent Calendar motion has passed by consent.

Commission Report: (p21)

C-18.03 (as amended): Unanimously carried

C-18.05 (as amended): unanimously carried

C-18.06: commission suggests non adoption in favor of c-18.07: Donna Long requests to withdraw the motion

C-18.07: unanimously carried

C-18.13: commission recommends non adoption. Donna Long moves to withdraw.

C-18.14: commission recommends non adoption. Donna Long moves to withdraw

### **Late Motions**

No late motions have been received

### **Courtesy Resolutions**

SLDP military students offer their thanks to the ASRT.

### **Report and Election of Chairman and Vice Chairmen 2018-2019**

**Election of Speaker and Vice Speaker**

Beth Weber for Speaker and Joe Whitton for Vice Speaker elected unanimously by voice vote.