

ACBA 2008 ANNUAL MEETING
Wednesday, April 29, 2008
Marriott Renaissance Atlanta Downtown, Atlanta Georgia

Present:

Officers: Dr. Larry Spicer, President, Minnesota State Board
Beth Carter, Vice-President, Oklahoma State Board
Joe Baker, Treasurer, Florida State Board
Marcia Walter, Secretary, South Dakota State Board

Members: Dr. Jerry Blanchard, North Dakota State Board; Debra Bridges, Wyoming State Board ; Traci Collett, Montana State Board; Veida Forrest, Alaska State Board; Cynthia Graystone, New Mexico State Board; Sharon Guilford, Florida State Board; Barbara Johnson, West Virginia State Board; Anita Martin, Georgia State Board; Patricia Oliver, Louisiana State Board; Glenn Parker, Texas State Board; Sondra Stephenson, South Carolina State Board.

Dr. Spicer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with the above listed officers and members present as obtained through voice roll call.

The 2007 ACBA meeting minutes were originally reviewed and approved on June 4, 2007 by ACBA minutes committee consisting of Glenn Parker, Anita Martin and Marcia Walter.

M/S Martin / Stephenson to approve minutes of the 2007 ACBA meeting which was held in St. Louis, MO

Passed. Patricia Oliver offered a friendly amendment to add her name as being in attendance for the business meeting. Passed.

Joe Baker presented the current financial report. The ACBA balance as of 4/21/08 was \$5,993.88. It was noted the New York State Board registered for the ACBA meeting but did not pay dues. Also state boards of Oregon, Washington and North Carolina paid dues in support of the ACBA but were unable to attend the meeting. The cost for the 2008 ACBA meeting is estimated to be \$1,200. The dues for 2009 will remain at \$150. Discussion took place regarding the possibility of placing ACBA money in an interest bearing account to eliminate service fees or consider putting grant money into a certificate of deposit. It was recommended by Dr. Spicer that the executive committee investigate these options and act upon them if they feel conducive.

M/S Blanchard / Parker to approve financial report as presented
Passed, no opposition

Sondra Stephenson, South Carolina State Board was introduced as the recipient of the 2008 ACBA scholarship. Sondra shared her thoughts on receiving the award and the importance of encouraging other individuals to attend. There were three scholarship applications received for the current conference. Discussion was held regarding the continuation of the ACBA scholarship.

M/S Martin / Graystone to authorize up to \$1000 to sponsor board executive participation at 2009 meeting with executive committee to determine qualifications and award the grant

M/S Oliver / Carter

amended motion – to add unused portion from the 2008 grant money to apply to next years scholarship fund.

Passed, no opposition

Dr. Spicer then called the question on the initial motion

Passed, no opposition

Dr. Spicer opened the floor for elections for president. Joe Baker nominated Beth Carter. Glenn Parker nominated Joe Baker who respectfully declined the nomination. With no further nominations, Dr. Spicer closed nominations and a unanimous ballot was cast for Beth Carter as president. Motion carried.

Kelly Webb with the Federation discussed the ACBA online forum and revamping of all websites. She went through the process of registering and how to use the forum. Kelly will send links to all board executives and encouraged the use of the forum.

The issue of attendance for the ACBA was discussed. It was again suggested to send a survey to board executives regarding reason for non-attendance at meeting, question scholarship grant application submission, etc. along with a reminder to apply for next year's grant.

Discussion was held regarding implementing a mentoring program among board executives possibly by district. The question came up as to how to best find out who new board executives are. It was recommended that if and when anyone knows of a new executive in a district to notify the ACBA president who will make initial contact.

The 2009 ACBA / FCLB meeting will be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Hollywood, California, May 6-10, 2009. Discussion was held as to possible speakers for the event with suggestions of Steve Foreman, Joseph C. d'Oronzio, Affiliated Monitors Group, etc. Dr. Spicer deferred recommendations to the executive committee for consideration.

With no further business, Dr. Spicer entertained a motion to adjourn.

M/S Oliver / Graystone to adjourn meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Passed, no opposition

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Walter
ACBA Secretary

Minutes approved per Authority of the Executive Committee due to non-appointment of minutes committee - 5/20/08