

SDRME Executive Committee (Conference Call) 4-21-08

Participants: Linda Perkowski, Judy Shea, Maurice Hitchcock, Kristi Ferguson, James Shumway

List-Serve functioning:

Jamie Shumway gave a report of the functioning of the new list-serve (allmembers@sdrme.org) that has been created to replace Web Crossing as a communication system among SDRME members. Dr. Shumway reports no recent glitches in the list-serve. An early change to have replies to list-serve emails sent to the sender and not the entire membership has reduced the traffic of irrelevant emails received by members. He described the list-serve as a classic list-serve with a list of accepted recipients and senders; no one can send or receive emails but those listed in the database that he is managing. Dr. Shumway asked that we notify him promptly of new members to add to the database for the list-serve. He also said that he could create other list-serves for billing etc. whenever we asked.

International Membership Request:

The SDRME International Committee has reviewed the application for membership from Dr. H. Ibrahim Durak of the Ege University Medical Faculty (Izmir, Turkey). Dr. Perkowski asked if there were any objections. Hearing none, she agreed to send along word that the executive committee had approved his membership in SDRME.

AAMC Committee of Academic Societies:

Boyd Richards, immediate past president of SDRME, reported to Linda Perkowski that he and LuAnn Wilkerson, our CAS/SDRME Representative, felt that there needed to be a consistent representative on the CAS board in order to build influence on the committee. Dr. Perkowski agreed to ask Drs. Richards and Wilkerson to talk with Tony Mazzaschi (AAMC Chair of CAS) and report on this issue at the Business Meeting of SDRME scheduled in July at our summer meeting in Ashville, NC.

Nominating Committee:

Les Sandlow (chair) sent out a request for nominations to fill the upcoming vacancy on the SDRME Executive Committee. He expects to have a nomination by the summer meeting.

Summer Meeting Plans:

Much of the planning of the summer meeting was deferred to our May conference call when it was expected that Elaine Dannefer (meeting coordinator) would be available. It was noted that we now have 13 registrants. We hope to send out an agenda to all members in the middle of May as a reminder of the meeting. We have until May 27th for registrants to reserve rooms in the Grove Park Inn (conference hotel).

Submitted by Maurice Hitchcock 4-21-08