



REGION IX MEETING

DENVER, Colorado

OCTOBER 27, 2007

ROOM 210/212

TIME: 4:30 – 5:30 PM

Number of Region IX Members registered at the S/C: 85

Number of Region IX Attendees to the meeting: 49

Executive Committee Members Present:

- Heather Nymeyer – Region Director
- Michele Shackleton – Treasurer
- Ann Lynde – Secretary
- Michael Ho – Member at Large
- Mark Elliot – Education Chair
- Rose Clarke – Awards Chair

Regrets: - Kevin Gibbon

- 1. Welcome to all - Heather Nymeyer**
- 2. Count of Members present from each province**
 - British Columbia - 12
 - Alberta - 9
 - Saskatchewan
 - Manitoba - 3
 - Ontario -22
 - New Brunswick - 1
 - Prince Edward Island - 2
- 3. Approval of Minutes September 9, 2006 Phoenix Arizona**
- 4. Introduction of 2007 Region IX House of Delegates**
 - Ann Lynde – Medicine Hat Alberta
 - Richard Loewen – Abbotsford, B.C
 - Mark Elliot – Vancouver, B.C
 - Anissa Choi – Burnaby, B.C
 - Joanne Taylor – Coquitlam, B.C
 - Verner Hurst – Sudbury, Ontario
 - Heather Nymeyer – Kamloops, B.C
 - Janet Tunnicliffe – NSH Vice President - New Westminster, BC
 - Rose Clarke - Secretary to the House of Delegates - Vancouver. B.C.

5. Treasures Report – Michele Shackleton

- Motion by Michele Shackleton to accept the Treasures report
- Second by Michael Ho
- Motion approved
- Region IX will be sending a questionnaire regarding Region IX funds regarding how extra funds could be used within the Region.
- *Note: A question regarding excess funds for non-profit organizations was asked at both the Region IX's and Board of Directors meetings. The answer obtained was that non-profit organization status is not determined by its bank account balance but how the non-profit organization spends these funds.*
- Suggested by Michael Ho that we send a letter of Thanks to Fuller Landau Chartered Accountants
ACTION: Heather to send letter of thanks.

6. Elections for Treasurer

- Michele Shackleton nominated for Region IX Treasurer
- No other nominations
- Michele Shackleton accepted position of Treasurer

7. Region IX Updates- Heather Nymeyer

- Region IX Bylaws revisions sent to members September 25, 2007
- Motion by Michael Ho to accept circulated bylaws
- Seconded by David Hilchie
- Motion approved
- Newcomer-Newcomer Supplies: The following is criteria for this award:

This award will be available annually to qualified applicants from each NSH Region based on financial need to attend a histotechnology meeting/symposium on a state, regional, or national level. A qualified applicant will be a first timer attendee or a returning attendee that has not attended a meeting within the past 5 years. Applicants must be a member in good standing of NSH. Winners will be selected by a random drawing from all qualified applications submitted from their region and notified by their region directory by July 1st of each year.

Applicant must submit the following: A completed application with plans for utilization of the scholarship. These plans must be utilized within two years after the scholarship is awarded

8. Education Report – Mark Elliott

- Region IX Educational Day held in Calgary June 8-9,2007
Excellent turnout of members and 17 vendors
- Education Day 2008 in Halifax, date and location to be announced
- Education Day 2009 in Toronto, date and location to be announced.

9. Awards Committee Report/Presentation – Rose Clarke

- Vendor Plaque of Appreciation Award - Somogen Diagnostics
- Surgipath Award of Excellence - Michael Ho
- Region IX Newsletter Contributor - May Chin
- Region IX Dako Award Immunohistochemistry/In-situ - Mark Elliott
- Ventana Medical Systems Immunohistochemistry - Michael Ho
- Lecia Biosystems Immunohistochemistry -Michael Ho

10. **Region IX T-Shirt Competition – Michael Ho**
 - T-Shirt Design presented to: May Chin
 - Reminder from Michael Ho Region with the most T-shirt participation on Tuesday October 30, 12 noon in Exhibit Hall

11. **Membership Regional Scholarship Draw – Heather Nymeyer**
 - Membership draw won by Shannon Klassen – Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

12. **Reminder for all social meetings in Denver:**
 - First Time Attendee Breakfast Sunday 7 am
 - Somagen Diagnostic 9th Annual Canadian Dinner, Monday October 29, held at Marlowe's
 - Surgipath Event October 30 held at Hyatt Regency

Meeting adjourned 27 October 2007 at 5:30 pm