



**Wisconsin Radiological Society
Board of Councilors Meeting
6:00pm, Friday, April 25, 2008
The American Club, Kohler, Wisconsin**

Call to order: M. Kristin Thorsen, MD, President; Lonnie Simmons, MD, President Elect; Michael Braun, MD, Vice President; Lynn S. Broderick, MD, FACR, Secretary/Treasurer; Gregg A. Bogost, MD, FACR, Paul Larson, MD, FACR, Cameron F. Roberts, MD, FACR, Board of Censors; Tim Crummy, MD, Councilor; William Pao, MD, Sara Arnold, MD, Timothy Andrew Bernauer, MD, Timothy Lee Swan, MD; Alternate Councilors; John Aufderheide, MD, Rick Gerard Thyges, MD; Directors-At-Large; Greg Heideman, MD, Resident Section; John Patti, MD, FACR, ACR Representative; Eric Dorn, MD, Member; Michael Blumenfeld, Legislative Counsel; Jenni Rodriguez, Jane A. Svinicki, CAE, Staff;

1.0 President's Report – M. Kristin Thorsen, MD: Dr. Thorsen called the meeting to order. She had four goals in mind for her Presidency, increasing membership, entering the ACR Chapter recognition awards, working with third party payers and promoting more Fellowship candidates. She also focused on increasing the involvement of residents.

2.0 Secretary Treasurer Report - Lynn S. Broderick, MD, FACR: L. Broderick presented the year-end and year to date financial report. WRS had a net gain of \$9,214 for 2007. Expenses will be higher in 2008 because of the expanded annual meeting.

2.1 Year End 2007

Asset Balance	\$48,498
Income	\$64,358
Expense	\$55,143
2007 net gain	\$9,214

2.2 2007 Year to Date (4/21/08)

Asset Balance	\$81,425	
	Budget	Year to Date
Income	\$69,350	\$43,754
Expense	\$61,900	\$7,838

2.3 Approval of the Minutes of October 20, 2007: The minutes of October 20, 2007 were distributed for in advance for review.

MOTION: It was moved by Dr. Simmons and seconded by Dr. Aufderheide to approve the minutes of the Board of Councilors meeting of October 20, 2007. **Motion passed.**

3.0 Committee Reports

3.1 Legislative: Dr. Thorsen reported that WRS has received an award for its Government Relations program from the ACR. The award will be presented at the ACR AMCLC in May. M. Blumenfeld said that the Legislature would be focused on fixing the ½ billion dollar budget deficit in the next session. The Wisconsin Medical Society is suing the State for taking funds from the Patient Compensation Fund to use for general expenses.

3.1.1 Rad Tech Licensing Bill: M. Blumenfeld said the Rad Tech licensing bill had died in the last legislative session. There was no opposition, but Leah Vukmir (R-14) has raised some questions at the end of the session and the Bill never received a vote. Blumenfeld said the members of the Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists (WSRT) needed additional funds to continue to pursue licensure. Dr. Bogost testified effectively at both hearings regarding the Bill. The WRS Council was in favor of continuing to support the legislation.

3.1.3 State Tele-medicine Bill: This legislation did not pass, but it may be re-introduced next legislative session.

3.1.4 Transparency/Fee Disclosure: This legislation did not pass, but it may be re-introduced next legislative session.

3.1.5 Legislator Events: Dr. Patti urged WRS to continue with its program of legislative visits. There have been over 90 visits by legislators nationally to radiologist work locations. ACR is strongly encouraging these visits. Wisconsin legislator visits to facilities last year included Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin and Congressman Paul Ryan. Congressman Steve Kagen was provided a donation of \$1,000 by RAD-PAC.

3.2 CAC: WPS is the current Midwest carrier for Medicare. The carrier contract was opened up for re-bidding in September 2008 and WPS is considered a leading bidder for this multi-state region.

3.3 Economic Committee: Dr. Thorsen said the Committees met with Dr. Jaeger at Anthem. Two presentations were given on radiology. The Committee is planning a second meeting and will continue to involve business managers. M. Braun is continuing to meet with WPS. The WPS Medicare contract may expand to as many as eight states, and they would have a major role in the Midwest.

3.4 Program Committee: The WRS annual educational program will be held tomorrow, April 26, 2008 at the American Club. There are 55 radiologists, 3 technicians and 10 exhibitors. A grant was received from Bayer. CME will be provided by the Medical College of Wisconsin and Michael O'Donnell, the MCW CME coordinator will be attending to oversee the program.

Action: Staff will contract with the American Club for the 2009 April annual meeting.

3.5 Fellowship Committee: Dr. Larson reported that all three candidates submitted for 2008 received Fellowship status, Dr. Bogost, Dr. Fred Lee and Dr. Beth A. E. Wittman. There are six candidates to be submitted for 2009 Fellowship status: Robert J. Gould, MD, Charles E. Kahn, MD, Fred Klein, MD, Myron Pozniak, MD, M. Kristin Thorsen, MD and Donald Yandow, II, MD. 2010 and Beyond Fellowship Candidates (Submitted Curriculum Vitae) are John F. Aufderheide, MD, Jannette Collins, MD, MEd, FCCP, William Pao, MD, Pamela Propeck, MD, Donald L. Renfrew, MD, Ken L. Schreibman, PhD, MD, Gary Sudakoff, MD and Michael J. Tuite, MD.

3.6 Membership Report: A report of the current membership was distributed. WRS has had an increase of 30 radiologist members since 12/31/2007. A prospect list of 118 was solicited for membership at year-end and invited to attend the WRS annual meeting.

3.7 Nominating Committee: The following slate was proposed:

**WRS Board of Directors
June 2008 to May 2009**

President: Lonnie Simmons, MD (one year term)
President-Elect: Michael A. Braun, MD (one year term)
Vice President: Lynn S. Broderick, MD, FACR (one year term)
Secretary/Treasurer: Timothy Andrew Crummy, MD (two year term 2008-2010)

Board of Censors (each Past President serves three years)

Paul A. Larson, MD, FACR 09
Gregg A. Bogost, MD, FACR 2010
M. Kristin Thorsen, MD 2011

Councilors to the American College of Radiology (6 total - 2 elected each year)

Timothy Andrew Crummy, MD 09
Gerald M. Mulligan, MD, FACR (2011) II
Lonnie D. Simmons, MD (2011) II
M. Kristin Thorsen, MD (2011) II
Timothy Lee Swan, MD 2011 (new in 2008)
Michael A. Braun, MD 2011 (new in 2008)

Alternate Councilors (one year term)

Sara Arnold, MD 08
Timothy Andrew Bernauer, MD 08
William J. Pao, MD 08
Patrick A. Turski, MD, FACR 08
Rick Gerard Thyges, MD (new in 2008)
John F. Aufderheide, MD (new in 2008)

Directors at Large (9 total – 3 elected each year)

Eric Dorn, MD 2011 (new in 2008)
Bob Gould, MD 2011 (new in 2008)
Robert K Breger, MD 2011 (new in 2008)
Beth Burnside, MD 10
Paul John Grebe, MD 09
Thomas Grist, MD 10
Cameron F. Roberts, MD, FACR 09
Gary S. Sudakoff, MD 09
Michael W. Zinda, MD 09

4.0 Resident & Fellows Section Report: Dr. Heideman reported that the Residents had a gathering in the fall at the Delafield Brew House, which was attended by 25 residents, and Dr. Thorsen. He will be attending the AMCLC with Tim Enright, VP of the Resident Section. They will be seeking a third resident to also attend with the support of the chapter.

Other Section activities include: organizing a career or fellowship fair, compiling the electronic records of the Section, and distributing three membership newsletters a year - March/April, July (new residents/AMCLC issues), December (officer nominations). He would also like to organize another social event in 2008.

5.0 RAA/RADPAC: Dr. Bogost reported on the RADPAC contributions from Wisconsin and encouraged members to give. Many members will be donating at the AMCLC. RADPAC gave away \$1.2 million in the 2007-08 election cycle. Wisconsin Legislators Kind, Baldwin and Kagen received funds.

6.0 Old Business

6.1 Rad Tech Education Fundraising: It was reported that \$5,876 was raised and twelve scholarships were given at the WSRT meeting in April.

6.2 WMS, MCOW: The WMS medical student forum was held and Dr. Crummy attended. WRS contributed \$500 to the event.

6.3 WRST Donation: The need for funding for the Wisconsin Society for Radiologic Technologists (WRST) was discussed.

MOTION: It was moved by P. Larson and seconded by J. Auferheide to donate \$5,000 to the Wisconsin Society for Radiologic Technologists (WRST) for quality initiatives planned by the organization. **Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted,
Jane A. Svinicki, CAE
(Drafted 04/28/08)