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There was discussion if the Young Andrologist Award should be on a "one-year basis" as is true of that for Distinguished Andrologist. The consensus of opinion was that if such a change was made, regulations should stipulate the winner must be under 40 years of age by March 31 of the year in which the Award is first **announced.** There was some question concerning what functions, if any, the Young Andrologist would have during his/her year of "tenure" and if this general concept was desirable. Any role of the Young Andrologist on behalf of the Society would imply that he/she spoke for the Society which probably would not be the case. The question was not resolved and was directed to the Awards Committee for consideration of the question if the Young Andrologist should simply be **announced at one Annual Meeting or if he/she should "serve" for a one-year interval;** the Awards Committee was to make a recommendation at the April, 1985 Council Meeting.

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President Ansbacher gave a brief report on behalf of the Finance Committee which had written to 15 corporations involved in the general area of Andrology requesting that they might exhibit for the 1985 Annual Meeting and possibly join the Society as a Sustaining Member. The response to this request was not evident. The Finance Committee Chairman requested further guidelines concerning the question of liability for Council Members/officers and the Editor in terms of the extent of limits and deductibles desirable. **Consistent with previous discussion (see page 6 of March 13, 1984 Minutes), it was reaffirmed that the Society should consider either a \$1- or \$2-million liability policy with \$2500 deductible which would cover the Council Members, officers, Editor and Associate Editor while in conduct of their official business.** The policy also should cover costs of legal fees incurred in any defense. The Chairman of the Finance Committee was requested to obtain bids and make a formal and complete report to the Council in April, 1985.

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The **Secretary** gave a brief report noting that a mailing to all members was made in May, 1984. This mailing included a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws, the Membership Directory, the President's Letter, Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting, Treasurer's Report, an announcement of the Student Essay Award Contest, a series of notes to members including requests for nominations and the submission of nominees for Distinguished Andrologist and Young Andrologist, an ASA flyer and a membership application. Total cost for postage for this mailing was \$356.70 of which about 82% was used to mail the material by Airmail to members not resident in North America.

The Secretary stated that a mailing on behalf of the Membership Committee which would include a Letter from the President, the ASA brochure, a brochure outlining the 1985 Congress, and a membership application was to be mailed to 1,000 urologists, selected from about 7,000 in a membership list, in late July. (The mailing actually went out on July 31 to 994 northeast urologists.) The Secretary indicated that a mailing would be made to all ASA members of complete material pertaining to the 1985 Annual Meeting/Congress as soon as that material was obtained from Dr. R. Newton, the Program Chairman. Dr. Newton promised it would be in the Secretary's hands by 1 August. An insert in this mailing will be a reminder to submit nominations for officers. The Secretary reminded all present a **First Class Mailing is planned for approximately October 12 which will include the 1985 dues notices and other material submitted to the Secretary on or before October 1.** A second mailing is planned for December 14 which will include the ballot form for Executive Council and officers and, for delinquent members, a second dues notice. If appropriate, a ballot concerning Constitutional amendments could be included in this mailing. **Material for the mailing of December 14 must be received by the Secretary no later than December 4. No additional mailing is planned prior to the 1985 Annual Meeting; it is expected that the next mailing to members will occur in late May, 1985.**

President Ansbacher presented the report of the **Awards Committee** which noted that the winners of the Student Award in 1984 were P.C. Albertsen and R.S. Zane, that the Young Andrologist was L. Russell and that the Distinguished Andrologist was R.H. Foote. It was noted that the format for the Student Award for 1985, **only**, will be an essay contest because of the very limited number of oral presentations scheduled for the 1985 Meeting. The Chairman of the Awards Committee wished

to encourage all Council Members to encourage their colleagues to have their students submit essays prior to the deadline of September 28, 1984. **Members of the Council were encouraged to request their colleagues to submit nominations for the Society Awards, Distinguished Andrologist and Young Andrologist.** The Chairman of the Awards Committee also expressed in her report appreciation to the Louisiana Fertility Clinic for supporting the 1984 Student Award.

It was suggested that, at future meetings, the local Arrangements/Program Committee consider the use of student projectionists when such usage was consistent with local regulations. It was moved and seconded (Amann/Ansbacher) that **the registration fee for both the Annual Meeting and the Postgraduate Course be waived for any student serving in an official capacity such as a student projectionist.** Motion was approved by all present but must be submitted to a Council vote by mail ballot.

There was discussion if the Young Andrologist Award should be on a "one-year basis" as is true of that for Distinguished Andrologist. The consensus of opinion was that if such a change was made, regulations should stipulate the winner must be under 40 years of age by March 31 of the year in which the Award is **first announced.** There was some question concerning what functions, if any, the Young Andrologist would have during his/her year of "tenure" and if this general concept was desirable. Any role of the Young Andrologist on behalf of the Society would imply that he/she spoke for the Society which probably would not be the case. The question was not resolved and **was directed to the Awards Committee for consideration of the question if the Young Andrologist should simply be announced at one Annual Meeting or if he/she should "serve" for a one-year interval; the Awards Committee was to make a recommendation at the April, 1985 Council Meeting.**

The report of the **Bylaws Committee** stated that there was no business or deliberations. It was noted, however, that any decisions concerning awards to those considered to be students would avoid use of the term "Student Member" and might consider use of the term "Member-in-Training" or "Junior Member".

President Ansbacher gave a brief report on behalf of the **Finance Committee** which had written to 15 corporations involved in the general area of Andrology requesting that they might exhibit for the 1985 Annual Meeting and possibly join the Society as a Sustaining Member. The response to this request was not evident. The Finance Committee Chairman requested further guidelines concerning the question of liability for Council Members/officers and the Editor in terms of the extent of limits and deductibles desirable. **Consistent with previous discussion (see page 6 of March 13, 1984 Minutes), it was reaffirmed that the Society should consider either a \$1- or \$2-million liability policy with \$2500 deductible which would cover the Council Members, officers, Editor and Associate Editor while in conduct of their official business.** The policy also should cover costs of legal fees incurred in any defense. **The Chairman of the Finance Committee was requested to obtain bids and make a formal and complete report to the Council in April, 1985.**

A report of the **Future Meeting Committee** was presented by the President on behalf of the Chairman, E. Rosenberg. Dr. H.G.M. Raj tendered an offer to hold the 1989 or 1990 meeting in New Orleans. Dr. B. Robaire extended a formal invitation to hold the 1989 or 1990 Meeting in Montreal. Dr. H.R. Nankin offered to host a future meeting at Hilton Head. The pros and cons of sequencing the 1989 and 1990 Meetings in Montreal and New Orleans were discussed; the Secretary was instructed to contact both Drs. Raj and Robaire and resolve the sequence. The Secretary also was requested to write to Drs. Raj and Robaire indicating the disposition of the question. (Discussions among the Secretary, Raj and Robaire several days later resulted in agreement that the **1989 Meeting would be held at Montreal** with Robaire, Sanford and others as co-hosts and the **1990 Meeting would be held in New Orleans** with Raj, White and Singh as co-hosts; R. Lewis also volunteered to help.)

The report of the **Editor of the Journal of Andrology** was presented. For 1984, 46 unsolicited manuscripts have been received as of June 27, an increase of 14 manuscripts, or 40%, over 1983. Of the 46 unsolicited manuscripts, 14 have been accepted, 10 have been rejected, 6 are being revised and 15 are under review. The mean interval between submission of a manuscript and completion of the initial review is 1.4 months. For manuscripts submitted in 1984, the mean interval between submission and publication was 8.3 months. The Editor noted that although she had been instructed to proceed to take a personal liability rider at a cost of possibly \$130/yr, she had been unable to obtain such a policy (\$1,000,000 coverage) for less than \$1000/yr. **The question, an integral part of that of liability coverage for the Society, was referred to the Finance Committee for resolution; a report and motion is to be presented to Council in 1985.**

The President reported, on behalf of the **Publication Committee**, that the Society had received a check in the amount of \$4990.33 from Lippincott Company representing the 1983 royalties for the Journal. Distribution of the Journal averaged about 500 copies to ASA members and about 275 copies to non-members during the latter part of 1983. Lippincott has undertaken an extensive sales effort through an independent sales firm which they hope will stimulate more interest on the behalf of advertisers. Robaire raised the question if the Society should publish books related to andrology with the view that this would be a public service and might bring some remuneration to the Society. The question was left unresolved but **should be considered by the Publication Committee for report to Council in April, 1985. This report should consider the feasibility of such an endeavor from the perspective of 4 or 5 topics that might serve as the theme for such books, identification of prospective editors, and the costs of such an endeavor.**

The **Publication Committee**, together with the Editor, were requested to consider the question if some (?) or all (?) of the state-of-the-art papers given at the Annual Meeting should be published in the Journal with (?) or without (?) peer review. The **Publication Committee** should report a recommendation to Council in April, 1985.

A report was presented on behalf of Dr. R. Newton concerning the **1985 Annual Meeting**. It was noted that the ASA Awards will be made at the ASA Business Meeting rather than at the Congress General Assembly. At the ISA Council/General Assembly, the ASA will be represented by Bartke, Sherins, A. Steinberger, Troen and Ansbacher; Amann and Harrison will be alternate delegates. The delegates should note that the ISA General Assembly will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 1985, at 2:00 p.m. The Serono lecture at the 1985 Annual Meeting will be D. de Kretser.

A draft of the hotel registration form for the 1985 Annual Meeting/Congress was circulated. **The Executive Council was outraged at the cost for rooms set aside which apparently is \$98/single room. The President was directed to pursue this issue with the Local Committee for the 1985 Meeting and the hotel.** It was the recollection of all Council Members that earlier discussions focused on the facts that reservations with the Westin Hotel had been made prior to its construction and that, consequently, reduced rates had been obtained which were thought to be about \$60.

It was discussed if attendees at the Annual Meeting should receive a certificate of attendance. This item was considered unfavorably and died for lack of a motion.

The President stated that inquiries had been made concerning if a percentage of any profit from the International Congress to be held in Boston, and sponsored and underwritten by ASA, should be transferred to ISA. It was agreed that any discussion of this issue should be held in abeyance until such time as it was determined if there was a profit to distribute. In the absence of any profit, discussion would be premature, if not a waste of time. It also was noted, that ISA did not offer to underwrite the cost of any loss on the Congress.

The report concerning the **1986 Annual Meeting** was introduced by the President on behalf of Eward. The 1986 Council Meeting will be held on April 19, the Postgraduate Course is Sunday, April 20, and the Meeting proper on Monday, April 21 through noon on Wednesday, April 23. R. Swerdloff will run the Postgraduate Course and the three state-of-the-art lecturers are yet to be designated. At least one lecture will be in the area of toxicology. K. Smith will chair a workshop on some aspect of andrology. A. Payne will serve as Chairperson of the Abstract Review Committee.

L.D. Russell reported on behalf of the **Membership Committee**. He noted that Dr. Ansbacher had written to 109 individuals in a list prepared by Dr. Killinger. These individuals specialize in reproductive toxicology. J. Davis had obtained a list of members from the Urological Society and a mailing is scheduled to certain of these members (see above; 994 were mailed on July 31). The Membership Chairman has written to a number of attendees at last year's Meeting who are not members and plans to write to authors who are not members. A total of 35 new members joined in the Society since the last Annual Meeting; a number of former members have been dropped from the roster of individuals to receive the Journal because of failure to pay 1984 dues.

A report from P. Troen on behalf of the **International Liaison Committee** was read. The ISA Executive Council met in July. Plans for the Congress are well in hand.

T. Turner presented the report of the **Student Affairs Committee** and noted that individuals registered as students for 1984 Annual Meeting, but not members of the Society, were encouraged to join. Dr. S.S. Howards has been selected as the Student Colloquium Speaker in 1985 to address the topic "The Value of Interaction Between Basic and Clinical Scientists". The student mixer, job service and **hopefully an inexpensive place for students to stay** has been arranged for the 1985 Annual Meeting. B. Hinton has developed interim procedures for a student placement service. There apparently was some misunderstanding concerning the question if student members of the Society could serve on the Society's Committees. The Council enthusiastically endorsed the concept, adopted and reaffirmed on many occasions, that students can serve on Society Committees and should be encouraged to do so.

B. Hinton reported that announcements will be placed in several journals concerning an ASA placement service and the Secretary was requested, and Council approved, to include material on the placement service in the October mailing.

There was no report from the **Liaison Committee**.

R. Lewis presented the report of the **Nominating Committee** and noted that the ballot will go out in late December. He requested members of the Council to **encourage their colleagues to submit nominations and to elicit nominations from other members of the Society for Vice-President and Council**. The reminder to members to submit nominations will be included in the August mailing to all members.

The issue was raised concerning if there should be a surcharge in the dues structure for members residing outside North America to help defray the cost of Airmail. A motion was made by Odell, seconded by Robaire that **the 1985 dues structure reflect a surcharge equivalent to \$5.00 + the cost (if any) for Airmail mailing of the Journal to overseas members**. This motion was approved by Council members present, but will be submitted to the entire Council by ballot.

The Constitution and Bylaws Committee was requested to consider if (a) proxy vote should be allowed during the Interim Council Meeting or (b) if the term "quorum" should be redefined in terms of an Interim Council Meeting? While the general consensus of members present probably was against any such change, **the Constitution and Bylaws Committee was requested to include this in its report in April, 1985**.

The Bylaws make it possible to remove a Council member from office for inactivity or lack of contribution. The basis for such removal has not been defined. It was moved by Robaire, seconded by Odell, that any Council member who misses three successive Council Meetings (either Interim Meetings or those at the Annual Meeting) should be voted out of Council by a unanimous decision of the other members of the Council (Article II, Section 8) and replaced at the next general

election (Article II, Section 5). The essence of this motion was that failure to attend three successive Council Meetings would be deemed as failure to execute duties. The interpretation should be approved by Council in the mail ballot.

The **Treasurer** presented his report and noted that, thanks to the diligent efforts of G. Bernstein, and some underwriting by his associate university/hospital, the 1984 Annual Meeting was a financial success and a profit of approximately \$4316 was made. He noted that the Society has approximately \$5,000 in the checking account, \$45,000 in money market and endowment funds, and approximately \$20,000 in a third account; total net worth of the Society is approximately \$70,000, which is a paltry amount given our annual budget.

The Treasurer suggested that Council might wish to budget a sum of \$3,000 for defrayment of expenses of Council Members for travel to the Interim Meetings. Following discussion, it was decided not to pursue this item at this time. The Treasurer agreed to draft a budget for 1985-86 for submission to the Council in April, 1985. The Treasurer moved, seconded by Amann, that **dues for 1985 remain at \$50.00 for a Regular Member, \$25.00 for a Student Member, with a surcharge (see above) for members not resident in North America to cover the costs of mailing Society information and the Journal.** Approved by Council members present.

Details were not available, but apparently A. Hoffer has contacted Iowa State University concerning its service as archivist for both ASA and the Journal of Andrology. **Dr. Hoffer was requested to further pursue this service, offered by the Department of History at Iowa State University, to ascertain in what form it wishes to obtain records and to insure that our assumption that it wishes to obtain all documents, both significant and trivial, for its archives. She was requested to relay appropriate information to the President and to Drs. Bartke and Rosemberg at her earliest convenience so that appropriate disposition can be taken in a timely fashion.**

The question of an Executive Secretary for the Society was discussed briefly. It was the general consensus that services of a part-time paid secretary or services through a Society such as the American Dairy Science Association might be cost prohibitive. The Secretary was requested to contact the Claude Cruse to ascertain the general nature of the services that his office might provide and an approximation of the costs which might be accrued; this request was based on the premise that Mr. Cruse would be in Laramie at the SSR Meetings which he was not. The Secretary has written to Mr. Cruse.

It was discussed if the Society should have an Education Director who might serve for a three-year term. It was noted that such an office was not provided for in the Bylaws. With further discussion, it was conceived that an Education Policy Committee, with members serving a three-year rotational term, might be desirable to coordinate the activities of the Program Committee/Local Arrangements Committee for the Annual Meeting and the Postgraduate Course Committee. **The Constitution and Bylaws Committee was requested to examine what changes**

might be necessary to accomplish this end and Council members were requested to give this concept thought for discussion at the April, 1985 Meeting.

The question of recognition for Life Members of ASA was discussed. It was concluded that a special certificate was not necessary. Rather, it seemed appropriate to list Life Members in a separate category in our Annual Membership List.

There being no further business, and because the President had been expeditious in conducting the Meeting, the Meeting was adjourned ahead of schedule at 14:30.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary