

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANDROLOGY

BUSINESS MEETING

March 15, 1979

HOUSTON, TEXAS

1. The meeting was called into session by Dr. C. Alvin Paulsen, President, at 1700 hours.
2. The President thanked the Society for their support during the past year. In addition, he thanked the Officers, the Council, and the Committee Chairpersons for all that was accomplished. Finally, all appreciated the great efforts of the Program Chairperson, Dr. Anna Steinberger, for her dedication and the fine program she had arranged.
3. The Program Chairperson's Report was given by Dr. Anna Steinberger for this 4th Annual Meeting of the Society. The meeting was advertised in 11 Journals, 82 abstracts were received, of which 70 were selected for presentation (4 of which were cancelled by the submitters). Registration totals about 150, with 5 Industrial Exhibitors. She thanked the Univ. of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Ayerst Laboratories, and the Organon Company for their support towards this meeting.
4. The Treasurer's Report was given by Dr. Richard J. Sherins: at the end of the calendar year (fiscal year) 1978 there was a cash balance of \$10,100. The estimated cash balance at the end of 1979 should be around \$22,000. The detailed report is available for any member who would like to peruse it.
5. Constitution and By-Laws Committee Report was given by Dr. Richard M. Harrison: the By-Laws have been revised, with minor changes incorporated. It was proposed to mail the revised By-Laws to all members with the first mailing of the announcements of the next Annual Meeting in June, 1979, for approval or disapproval (with suggested additional changes). This was unanimously approved by those present (around 65 members).
6. Publication Committee: this information was presented by the President due to the excused absence of Dr. Eugenia Rosemberg. As all may recall, the Past President, Dr. Don Fawcett, polled the membership in late 1977 about having our own journal - 59% desired a journal, 32% were undecided, and only 9% voted to keep Andrologia.

J.B. Lippincott and Company has offered to publish a journal for us. The Editor-in-Chief has been identified as Dr. Andrzej Bartke, who has indicated he will accept this position pending approval by his university and a satisfactory contract with the publisher. A journal would cost about \$35.00 per year in addition to the dues, and all members would be billed. 6 issues per year are planned, around 400 pages per year.

The International Journal of Andrology desired to have us subscribe to that journal, but would only allow us 4 editorial pages, and the cost to each member would be much more than our own journal.

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Much discussion ensued, but almost all present agreed that the publication of our own Journal would enhance the image of the Society. Therefore, all must now consider submission of manuscripts to our Journal. The first issue will hopefully appear prior to the end of 1979, and it will be titled American Journal of Andrology.

The scope and definition of the Journal was discussed, the format for submission of manuscripts must be outlined soon, advertisements concerning this new Journal plus notification of those members not present must be accomplished, and subscription to the Journal is part of the membership to the Society.

7. Future Meetings Committee Report was presented by Dr. Nancy J. Alexander.

1980 - Chicago, the Palmer House, with Dr. Larry Zaneveld and Dr. Aquiles Sobrero co-program chairpersons. The main theme will be "Methods of Male Contraception." This meeting is scheduled from 11-14 March.

1981 - New Orleans, the Fairmont Hotel, from 11-14 March, with Dr. Richard M. Harrison and Dr. Ronald Lewis as co-program chairpersons.

Concern was expressed by several members about meetings being held in high priced hotels, the problems of clinical people, basic researchers, and students both meeting these costs and trying to attend back-to-back meetings (since our next two scheduled meetings are just prior to those of the American Fertility Society). The suggestion was made that when the program is sent, a list of available hotels in the area with less expensive accommodations be included.

8. Nominations Committee Report was presented by Dr. Rudi Ansbacher for Dr. Stuart S. Howards.

Dr. Philip Troen was elected as Vice President for 1979-1980. To fill the unexpired term on the Council of Dr. Troen to 1980 Dr. Wylie C. Hembree was elected. To serve on the Council from 1979 to 1982 the following were elected: Dr. Abraham T.K. Cockett, Dr. Martin Dym, Dr. Bruce D. Schanbacher, and Dr. Terry T. Turner.

To serve on the Nominating Committee with the chairperson, Dr. Howard R. Nankin, Dr. Gerald R. Bernstein and Dr. Lawrence Dubin were unanimously elected by those present at the meeting.

9. Dr. John Macleod has been selected for Honorary Membership, and will be presented with his certificate at our banquet this evening.
10. The President introduced Dr. Nancy J. Alexander, our incoming President, and she adjourned the meeting at 1800 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

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