

Society for Transplant Social Workers
Annual Society Business Meeting
October 21, 2010, 12 noon
Atlanta, Georgia

Welcome and Call to Order

- Mary Freeman, President call the meeting to order.
- She thanked David Cooper and his committee and presented them with gifts for their excellent work on providing this conference.
- In celebration of our organization's 25th anniversary, Sandi McMath gave the highlights of our 25 years as a society.
- The Members of the Board were introduced and recognized.
- The agenda was reviewed and approved.

Secretary's Report

Anne Lawler, Secretary, read the minutes from the October 15, 2009 luncheon business meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report

Jan Hart, Treasurer, gave our financial report. It was approved as read.

By Laws Report

Jan Hart, chairman of the by laws committee, gave an update on by law proposals and reported that we hope to have them and finances set up electronically by next year.

Website Report

Barrett Gray, Website Chairman, described significant changes for the better in process on our website.

Scholarship Report

Laurie McDonald reported that the Society gave 19 scholarships this year and NTAf generously gave 10 scholarships.

Credentialing Report

Laurie McDonald, Credentialing Chairman, recognized the new CCTSWs and presented each with a society silver pin.

Election Results

Mary Freeman, substituting for Julia LaMantia, Election Chairman,
Announced the newly elected Executive Officers:

President: Laurie McDonald

Vice President: Jan Hart

Secretary: Anne Lawler, re-elected

Treasurer: Nancy Arnold

The newly appointed Board Members are:

Pediatrics: David Cooper

By Laws: Kari Troxel

Living Donors: Sandi Cohen

Old Business

-Standards of Practice: a call was made for a committee to create standards of practice.

-Conference in Great Britain: after a lengthy discussion by the Executive Committee and Board it was decided to gather further information about cost and interest in going abroad. If there is sufficient interest and the cost can be reasonably contained we would consider it in four or five years from now.

New Business

-Board Member involvement: brainstorming about future goals and actions for Board Members and Members at large has been requested. The Society is growing and we want to meet all the needs of its membership.

-Laurie McDonald, President, is planning a survey for membership input re: Society expansion of services.

-An assessment will be made of the website forum vs. listserv for the most effective communication among members

-Mid year Web Conference for the Society Board Members will be arranged.

-Regional Meetings were discussed and if sufficient interest is demonstrated, will be planned.

Awards

The Lee Suszycki Memorial Award was presented to Carol Wientruab

The Judy Middefort Memorial Award was presented to Jan Hart

For their outstanding service to the Society and excellence demonstrated in their profession.

Passing of the Gavel:

The presidential gavel was ceremoniously passed from Mary Freeman to Laurie McDonald.

As Laurie's first presidential act, she presented Mary with a gift from the Society for her loyal, devoted and excellent service as President.

Laurie presented Phyllis McFarland a gift for her service as Treasurer, 2009. David Cooper, Conference Chair, and his outstanding committee were thanked once again.

STSW Conference 2011

Laurie Shore, Conference Chairman 2011, welcomed us to Tampa, Florida with a slide show and description of what joys await us in Florida next October. Details will be forthcoming in the near future.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned with reminders to attend the Gala in the evening.

**Respectfully submitted,
Anne Lawler, LCSW, CCTSW, ACSW, BCD
Executive Secretary
10-27-10**