

ASCLS-NM Meeting Notes from August 22, 2009

HSSB 205 @ 10:30

Members attending: Margaret Alba, Charles Faingnaert and Jean Griffin

1. Discussed the growing list of lapsed members and decreasing members list
 - a) Send reminder emails to renew membership
 - b) Start up a "grass roots" recruiting; go to the labs and promote joining ASCLS
2. Discussed printing up a bylaws template from the ASCLS website and modifying it so that the bylaws cover our unique circumstances (i.e. allowing new members to hold an office)
3. Discussed the phone calls Margaret received (August) from the VA Medical Center regarding their check for payment of registration (April) not being cashed.
 - a) Were other checks that were received ever deposited?
 - b) Possible temporary treasurer to assume the duties (Jean Griffin said she would volunteer if needed)
4. Discussed how to increase ASCLS-NM meeting attendance
 - a) Possibly hold meetings at different lab locations
 - b) Meet during the week around lunch time
5. Discussed the ever present question regarding joining ASCLS..."What's in it for me?"
 - a) Margaret will look at various state ASCLS sites and other MT programs that have active student participation in their local ASCLS group
 - b) Gather recruitment ideas to use to increase member participation
6. Brown bag talks: tabled till we have more members attending meeting
7. Next meeting depends on whether we decide on a change of venue