

North Dakota Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Annual Member Meeting
May 1, 2013
Meeting Room 1, St. Alexius Medical Center, 900 East Broadway Bismarck, ND

1. **Call to Order:** President Becky King called the general membership meeting to order at 12:22 pm.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Karen Ehrens moved to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Kathy Larson. Motion carried.
3. **Approval of Minutes from April 24, 2012, Annual Meeting:** Lori Murchie moved to accept the 2012 membership minutes as written, seconded by Desiree Steinberger, motion carried.

4. Board Reports

- a. **Treasurer Report:** Char Heer had the following report as of May 1, 2013:

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| Total Income for 2012: | \$37,767.50 |
| AND Rebates: | \$11,043.55 |
| Sponsorship: | \$ 8,051.00 |
| Convention Registration: | \$18,314.50 |
| Interest and Other: | \$ 358.45 |
| Total Expenses for 2012 (detailed report may be requested): | \$40,969.94 |
| Net Income for 2012 | -\$ 3202.44 |
| Total Assets: Year-to-Date | |
| NDAND Checking Account Balance* as of 4/30/2013: | \$23,169.24 |
| The Value of the Alerus Money Market Account as of 12/31/12: | \$ 4,706.08 |
| The value of the Alerus CD as off 3/31/13: | <u>\$19,674.61</u> |
| Total Assets: | \$47,549.93 |

*balance from Quicken Report – may reflect deposits and checks not cleared by bank

Preliminary Convention Income/Expenses:

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| Income from registration and sponsorships: | \$13,535 |
| Expenses as of 4/30/13: | none reported |

Char explained that the ND Academy planned on a deficit spending this year for funding towards public policy issues and member benefits. Additional registrations will increase the income side.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as is.

- b. **President-Elect and National Academy Foundation Chair:** Deanna Askew reported the board will work on revising the strategic plan and implementation of the plan at the upcoming summer board meeting. As the Foundation Chair she encouraged members to participate in several fundraisers including purchasing chances to win a target gift card, purchasing a \$5 bag, and donating cookbooks for others to purchase. Deanna

announced she is looking for a Convention Planning Chair, Media Representative, and Licensure Liaison. Carrie McLeod has accepted the Membership Chair position.

- c. **2013 Convention Chair:** Deb Strand served with Nancy Wahl and Shelley Porter for on the convention planning committee. By partnering with the Long Term Care Association, 54 education opportunities were available at the conference with twelve CEU's organized by the ND Academy. Deb encouraged participating in the exhibits and booths as well as the Gala dinner opportunity sponsored by FSA and Sysco. Deb noted that forty-five letters of support were mailed to different organizations with only five responding.

- d. **Delegate Bonita Hoverson:** Bonita was unavailable to report.

- e. **Reimbursement Representative:** Amy Davis shared a few highlights from this past year. Amy and Connie Hofland, our State Regulatory Specialist had a busy year following healthcare reform and advocating for medical nutritional therapy. In March, Amy attended the Public Policy Workshop in Washington, D.C. with Karen Ehrens and Amanda Ihmels. In April, she attended the Academy's Business of MNT Boot Camp in Chicago and learned about the business aspects of providing medical nutrition therapy services under changing health-care delivery and payment models and is looking forward to sharing information with members this upcoming year.

Amy also worked with the Academy regarding ND BCBS malnutrition coding guidelines released last summer. The Academy/ASPEN wrote a letter to ND BCBS informing them of their recent research and consensus statement regarding the characteristics recommended for the identification and documentation of adult malnutrition. ND BCBS acknowledged their letter; however, no changes were made.

Amy and several supporting members submitted a ND Academy commentary summary for the CMS proposed rule on RD order-writing privileges. The Academy expects a decision in the near future.

Additional information and reimbursement resources will be discussed in the in the panel session following the annual meeting.

- f. **Media Relations:** Sherri Stastny encouraged participation on the board. The media team has aired thirty second television commercials for the Nutrition Expert. Billboards promoting the dietitian as the nutrition expert have been aired in the past. Radio ads are an additional avenue available for promoting the dietitian.
- g. **New Member Liaison:** Anne Bodensteiner was not present. This position has changed titles from New Member Liaison to Membership Chair. The position expands responsibilities to include retention of current members as well as new members.
- h. **Council on Professional Issues:** Michelle Fundingsland reported that the goal is to build relationships/alliances and increase our visibility with other partnering organizations such as Long Term Care and Creating a Hunger Free ND. A call is issued to members to get to know other organizations and contact her if an alliance may be in the ND Academy's interest.
- i. **Public Policy Coordinator:** Amanda Ihmels encouraged members to attend the Public Policy Panel following the annual meeting. The Academy is taking a shift towards public policy emphasis. The committee met with State Legislators in March promoting the dietitian. Members were able to purchase a \$10 cup leftover from the event. A licensure liaison position needs to be filled. If you are passionate about public policies contact Amanda.

A State Reimbursement Representative is necessary to assist Amy Davis with the many current issues including malnutrition guidelines, prediabetes reimbursement, and RD privileges. Contact Deanna, Amy or Amanda if you are interested.

- j. **Nominating:** The 2013 nominating committee consists of Deborah Strand – Chairman, Desiree Steinberger - Two Year Term and Jerilyn Wass - One Year Term. Deborah will rotate off the committee for 2013. Desiree will move into the Chair position for 2013.

The election was held via Survey Monkey with 91 members voting.

The NDAND Nominating Committee is pleased to present our new officers for 2013 - 2014:

- President-Elect - Anne Bodensteiner
- Delegate - Bonita Hoverson
- Treasurer - Vanessa Lennick
- Nominating Committee – 2 year term - Jane Myers
- Nominating Committee – 1 year term - Barbi Narum
- Nominating Committee - 1 year term - Bridget Bullinger

- k. **Awards:** Naomi Hass announced the following awards for 2013:

1. Outstanding Dietetics Student Award: Olivia DeLeon
2. Emerging Dietitian of the Year: Megan Myrdal
3. Outstanding Dietitian of the Year: Constance Hofland
4. Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year: Bridget Bullinger
5. Golden Grains Award: North Dakota Long Term Care Association

- l. **President:** Becky King thanked the members for a good year. Deanna presented Becky with a token of appreciation.

5. **2014 ND Academy Annual Convention:** Becky announced that the 2014 Spring convention will be held in Fargo. More information to be announced.

6. **Passing of the Gavel:** President Becky gave the gavel to the incoming President Deanna Askew and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:

Brenna Swanson
North Dakota Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Secretary