Summary Minutes
Annual Business Meeting
American Institute of the History of Pharmacy
30 November 2016, 2:00 PM EST
Teleconference

The annual Business Meeting teleconference of the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy was called to order on 30 November 2016 at 2:00 PM EST.

The Minutes of the 2015 Annual Business Meeting, as published in Pharmacy in History 57 (2015): 93-100 were approved.

President Zellmer thanked Dean Steven Swanson for the University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy’s continued support of the Institute, and Dean Swanson expressed his appreciation for the AIHP’s presence in the school as a mutually beneficial relationship.

Summary reports of the officers and committee reports were presented. Members were given the opportunity to comment or ask questions. Motions to accept each report were put forward, seconded and approved.

Executive Director Higby summarized his Director’s Report and discussed the vacant George Urdang Chair in the History of Pharmacy caused by Professor Joseph Gabriel leaving the University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy and returning to his previous position at Florida State University.

President Zellmer expressed his gratitude for the professional relationship between the Board of Directors and Greg Higby as Executive Director, and he also discussed the recognition of AIHP’s service to the profession as signified by the five pharmacist organizations participating in the National Pharmacy Association Sponsorship program.

Angela Long presented the AIHP Membership Committee’s Membership Action Plan. Long reviewed the three phases of the Membership Action Plan: (Phase I) enhance and improve AIHP’s membership communication infrastructure; (Phase II) develop and conduct membership outreach and development campaign that will retain existing members, attract new members, and re-engage lapsed members; (Phase III) evaluate AIHP’s membership model and discuss long-term goals and strategies for AIHP membership. The immediate goal of the AIHP Membership Committee’s Membership Action Plan is to increase AIHP membership by 33% (to 800 members) by December 2018.
David Baker reported on the activities of the Historical Studies Committee, which focused on the drafting of “AIHP Guidelines on Teaching History in Pharmacy Education. After Board approval, the AIHP Teaching Guidelines will be distributed to Schools/Colleges of Pharmacy as a guide for satisfying ACPE’s “Standards 2016.”

The Nominating Committee put forward the following slate of officers for the 2018-2019 AIHP Board:

- President William Zellmer
- Vice President Arthur Daemmrich
- Secretary Robert Buerki
- Member at Large David Herzberg

By a roll call vote, members unanimously approved the proposed amendments to the Bylaws.

The Board of Directors approved the recommendations of the Awards Committee to present the 2016 Glenn Sonnedecker Prize to Laura Phillips Sawyer for her article, “California Fair Trade: Antitrust and the Politics of ‘Fairness’ in U.S. Competition Policy” published in Business History Review. The Board of Directors also chose Louis D. Vottero as the recipient of the Robert P. Fischelis Award for his tireless work to secure the financial future of the Institute as AIHP Treasurer from 1979 to 2010

Executive Director Higby reported that the planning committee for the 2019 International Congress is moving forward with arrangements for the meeting in the Washington, D.C. area.

President Zellmer thanked Jole Shackelford for his service as Board member for two terms.

President Zellmer and Executive Director Higby extended the appreciation of the AIHP to Dr. Elaine Stroud, who will be retiring at the end of 2016, for her more than 30 years of service to the Institute.

Institute members were reminded that there are many volunteer opportunities available to them and were encouraged to let Executive Director Higby know of their interest in serving the Institute.

New AIHP Board Member at Large, Angela Long was installed at the conclusion of the Business Meeting.

At 4:12 PM EST the Business Meeting was adjourned.