



2014-2015 Secretary's Annual Report Submitted By Nancy Sutcliffe, M.Ed RT(R)(QM)

The following are some of the highlights of actions and decisions that were made by the Board for year 2014-2015.

Scholarships

- MSRT board awarded 4 scholarships; 2 Quarter Century Club, 1 Florence Wakefield and 1 Presidential James Lampka

Half Day Seminars:

- The board voted to have two seminars for the 2014-2015 year.
- September 27, 2014 was held at Good Samaritan Medical Center, A Steward Family Hospital Inc.
- February 7, 2015 (rescheduled from Jan. 24th due to inclement weather) was held at Middlesex Community College

Affiliate Development Program

- The Board worked on and submitted to the ASRT an Action Plan based upon four goals to apply to the ASRT's Affiliate Development Program.
- The program provides an affiliate with an opportunity to work with ASRT and ultimately become a stronger organization and meet the needs of its members. The program gives financial assistance to the affiliate and the MSRT was approved based upon the Action Plan that the Board submitted.
- Reports must be submitted periodically to the ASRT as to the Board's progress in meeting the established goals of the plan.
- The MSRT was invited to present at the ASRT Annual Conference the MSRT's Development Program Plan as an example for other affiliates.

Website Development:

- The Board approved the hiring of a webmaster to improve its website so that it is easier to navigate for members and non-members. The costs for this will be covered by the ASRT as part of our affiliation with them as an affiliate in the Affiliate Development Program.
- The new website will be launched at the conference.

MSRT History

- Over the college winter break the radiology students at NECC got together to scan boxes & boxes of MSRT Archives. They not only preserved MSRT History but also saved the society a great deal on scanning costs.
- Board members have also been working on this endeavor.

Student Leadership Development Program and ASRT Delegates to the Annual Conference

- Monica Caggiano of Suffolk University & Emily Knox of Northern Essex Community College have been selected to represent Massachusetts at the 2015 ASRT Student Leadership Development Program.
- David LeClair, Darren Sack, Patricia Willett & Nancy Julin will be on hand at the 2015 House of Delegates Meeting to serve our members and as mentors to the students.
- Treasurer
- After much discussion the board balanced the 2014-2015 years budget at its June 11th meeting.
- Karl developed a Financial Procedure Policy which was needed to meet the requirements for the MSRT to receive funds from the ASRT under the Affiliate Development Program. The policy is within the MSRT Policy and Procedure Manual.

MSRT Policy and Procedure Manual

- The Policy and Procedure manual was reviewed and revised. The new manual is available on the MSRT website.
- Insurance
- The Board has approved the purchase of an insurance policy from AON, an ASRT associate, for an AON office package that includes bonding, general liability, crime, and what the venues don't cover. The costs for the policy will be covered by the ASRT Affiliate Development Program.

Advocacy

- Board members have been working diligently to address concerns that affect the profession.
- The Board is looking into hiring a lobbyist to deal with regulatory and legislative issues. This would be funded by the ASRT's Affiliate Development Program.
- Discussions have been ongoing with RCP and DPH as to the dismissal of the Advisory Commission for RT's and will continue until completion.
- MSRT has been monitoring the activity of the Nurse Practitioner and Podiatrist Assistant professions as they are soliciting for an increase in their scope of practice to include using ionizing radiation.
- Dave has been taking part in conference calls with the ASRT and other affiliates as to the MSRT concerns.

Buzz Bowl

- The 2014-2015 Buzz Bowl committee members have been diligently working and participating in Board meetings to provide students, coaches and attendees of the competition with lots of fun within a learning environment.
- The committee requested a new buzzer system to replace the outdated one being used. The Board voted unanimously to purchase a new system.

Charitable Organization

- The MSRT Board chose to continue its association with the charitable organization Home For Our Troops for the 2014-2015 year.
- One of the more recent homes built in Hopkinton, NH for SSG Matthew DeWitt held a volunteer day on September 20, 2014.
- Seventeen members of the MSRT joined many others and the crew of "This Old House" to volunteer their time laying sod in the yard, planting shrubs or digging holes.

Annual Meeting Minutes 2014

- The Board accepted the recommendation of the Conference Committee to select the Westford Inn and Conference Center for the 2015 Annual Conference.
- The revised bylaws were approved by the membership in attendance.
- New officers for 2014-2015 were installed.
- New QCC members were inducted.
- Scholarships were awarded.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Sutcliffe, Secretary