

## WBAALAS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 29th, 2020, 4:00- 4:30 PM @ Teams Meeting

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- **Roll Call** – Michael sakara emily, joe, dave, Julie, Jonathan, Ashley, brooks, tony, sarah.
- **Approval of Meeting Minutes** –
  - October Minutes – approved.
- **Treasurer Report (David R.)**

**Checking: \$7686.53**

Transactions since the last meeting:

- Deposit of \$180.00 on 09/17 - picnic refund
- Deposit of 483.10 on 09/02 - transfer balance from PayPal
- Debit of 896.00 on 08/31 - insurance payment

**Savings: \$11,170.29**

No Transactions (other than +monthly interest).

**Credit card: No balance**

**PayPal: \$0.00**

No changes in memberships.

- **Events**
  1. **Q4 Manager's Virtual Round Table**
    - a. November 12<sup>th</sup> 1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
    - b. Tim moderates
    - c. Sponsor is SE Labs

### 2. **Holiday Event/Gift:**

- Budget for gifts to membership is roughly \$3K. equates to \$15 per member.
- Offer free press to commercial to piggyback on the gift for members

Digital gift card. Logistically makes sense.

Amazon.. all agree easiest way

Mid-December delivery date!!

Send email out to membership week-ish prior to delivery date talking about thanks and to be on the look out for gift..

### **3 Techs Round Table: October**

- Michael has running list of techs that were nominated by their managers to join.
- Kati Marshall to speak about handling rodents with tube
- NOVO perspective on tube handling – Jessica
- Michael will moderate.
- No sponsor needed

### **4 Vendor Fair – 2021**

Venue?

Date?

### **5 Newsletter Committee Report (Amanda K. - Sakara)**

#### **1. Newsletter Committee Update -**

Try to revamp this newsletter in 2021. Spend some time talking about it during the end of year email to membership.

Grab feed back from round table meeting to feature in newsletter coming 2021

### **6 Branch Outreach Committee Report (Michael M. / Joe A.) –**

Reach out to Fransis about 200 members. Michael will reach out to them November/December about planning for 2021 memberships.

### **7 Elections**

- **TBR:**  
**Advertise at roundtable.**  
**Amanda**  
**amber carte**  
**shawn Hooper**
- **President Elect:**
- **Secretary:**
  - Sakara @ Novo
  - Bio needed
- **Board Member Positions 1 & 2:**

**Julie Bakken board**

- Ashley Rennie @ SeaGen

Hello, my name is Ashley Rennie. I currently work as an Animal Care Technician in Bothell, Wa. I graduated from PIMA Medical Institute's Veterinary Technician program in 2013 and started my work at a dog and cat veterinary clinic before switching over to lab animal science in 2017. Outside of work I enjoy reading and anything outdoors including hiking, camping, and being out on the water.

It can be a challenge to work in this field, both mentally and emotionally. It's so important to have people who understand where you are and where you can go. I am a strong believer in community. Having this branch (as well as the national AALAS) to connect with others, is so valuable. I would love the opportunity to serve on the board and continue to grow those connections. Thank you to all current and past members for your dedication.

- Jonathan Montoya

I am applying for one of the Board Member positions. A little about my experience, I have a Bachelor's degree in Psychology as well as a Bachelor's degree in sociology. I recently received my Master's degree in Social Work.

I have worked as a crisis worker and helped teach new employees as well as previously worked as a child welfare supervisor assisting children and families in New Mexico.

I was also a Teacher's Assistant helping in research at the university level in order to further understand positive motivational factors for undergrad students. I was a Research Assistant conducting neuromodulation approached for detected regions of the brain in collaboration with DARPA all before I decided to go for my Masters degree.

While attending the University of Washington, I interned at Swedish Primary Care as well as the U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs. Each of which I conduct my own research projects.

Most recently, I was working at Alta-Sciences conducting toxicology research before an opportunity arose with working for the State of Washington.

A little about me personally, I am dedicated in accomplishing my goals and passionate in what I set my mind to. I love to laugh and might be too good at puns and dad jokes. I have excellent communication skills that range in demographic from children and teens to undergraduate and graduate students to adults and veterans and everywhere in between. I love to learn and tend to push myself to understand what I don't know. Recent hobbies, I have been learning how to play the ukulele and got into running. I hope to make an impact with WBAALAS as a board member. I am open to any way I can help. I look forward to talking with you all in the near future! Thank you.

- **District 8 Update from Michael**

Michael will be new D8 Rep. next meeting is October 30<sup>th</sup>. Michael will update the board on the goings ons.

**8 Branch SOP Committee Report (Sakara P. / Amanda K. / Traci W.)**

1. SOP Committee update – check back at start of next year..

**9 Branch Website Committee Report (Jen K. / Dave R.)**

**10 Branch Management Summit (Tony) –**

- Tony legal power point review? Tony send out power point by next meeting..

**11 New Business**

**Awards**

- Tech of the year -

- Member of the year –

Email announcement of winners?

**12 Next meeting:**