

Business Meeting: Saturday, November 5

Called to order at 1240pm

Welcome given by President Pam Baumann. Mention of congratulations to all as this week is National Radiologic Technology Week. It has been 50 years now since the ARRT recognized Radiation therapists as its own speciality. It is also the 25th year celebration of the Radiation Therapist Journal through the ASRT.

All the students were asked to stand. They were recognized as our future welcomed warmly by all in attendance.

**Board member Reports:**

Treasurer: As of March 1, 2016 balance was \$18, 570.48. We had expenses of \$5343.78. We had income of \$2954.80 for a new balance of \$16, 181.50.

South West: Given by Jeana as Ninah was not available.

1. St. Clare Hospital in Baraboo:--Moved from Mosaiq to Aria in May. The facility also upgraded their 2100 EX linear accelerator to a new True Beam and went live as of November 1!

2. UW Health and Clinics:--Congratulations to Stephanie Bailey who has been promoted to Radiation Therapy Technical Supervisor. With a very busy treatment schedule, they have also hired three radiation therapists and are looking to hire another PRN therapist soon. At their east side clinic, they have commissioned a new True Beam Linac and, at the Main Hospital, they are in the process of replacing their Trilogy with a True Beam Linac. In addition, UW Health and Clinics also held their first annual fundraiser called "The Ride" in September to raise money for cancer research at their hospital. They exceeded their goal of 300 bike riders and had over 800! This exciting event was a huge success and will be continue to be held every September.

3. Turville Bay in Madison:---Went live with Aria in May and are currently in the process of hiring a 0.8FTE radiation therapist.

4. St. Mary's Janesville Hospital:--Welcome as a new southwest center as they recently completed their radiation oncology expansion and opened in August!

South East: given by Brie

1. ProHealth--installed a Varian Vital Beam on 11/1

2. One Ascension merger is going forward bringing together Columbia Saint Mary, Affinity, Ministry, and the Wheaton Franciscan facilities

3. Froedert installed a MRI High AdaptiveLinear Accelerator. Potential PRN position

4. St. Luke's Hospital opened a new Cyber knife room, hired new radiation therapists, new doctors, and new physicists.

North East: given by Jamiee

1. St. Vincent's is hiring a PRN position, please head to their website to apply.

2. Door County is utilizing the RPM system for gating now

3. Bellin is opening a new center in the Marinette system opening in July of 2017

4. Mercy and St. Elizabeth partnering with Ascension

North West: given by Kim

•Aspirus will again host a spring forum, date is April 22, 2017. Location will be the Westwood Conference Center. Registration will open sometime in February.

•Saint Joseph's Hospital is currently working with Marshfield Clinic to be merged into the clinic. It is supporting all in patient txs, Gamma knife to, and HDR txs.

- Marshfield Clinic Radiation Oncology Marshfield: Started SBRT tx on TrueBeam and Align RT early October. Started the first left breast deep inspiration breath hold on TrueBeam and with Align RT this week. Installing Large Bore CT scanner this week and will be updating training on that next week.
- Marshfield Clinic Radiation Oncology Stevens Point Campus is slotted to open in February of 2017. 2 therapists have been hired along with a dosimetrist, TrueBeam with Align RT, Siemens ct scanner Nucletron HDR, HDRcT suite.
- Marshfield Clinic Radiation Oncology Eau Claire is slotted to open in October of 2017, job postings have not happened yet, look for more information to come later.
- Marshfield Clinic Radiation Oncology Rice Lake, is in the interviewing process for a new therapist. There is also interest to host a RTOW meeting through the Rice Lake RONC location to potentially be in Eau Claire.

### **Student Reports:**

Class of 2017: Given by Erin

1. All the students are getting more comfortable in their clinicals. They are all working hard having a little stress. Really appreciate all the support from the therapists and RTOW.

Class of 2018: Given by Julie

1. Class is really active with Radiation Club. Sept 10 they had 11 out of 18 students participate in the Stepping out in Pink walk. Held first meeting on Sept 17 had a huge turn out. They also went to the Hope Lodge in Rochester MN with cookies and stayed to interact with guests.

**UW-L RT Program:** Given by Melissa Weege

1: Very busy time at UW-L. The 2016 graduation class graduated 19 with all passing at 100% on the ARRT certification. 17 of those students are employed. Ell Jansen received a \$5,000 scholarship from the ASRT. Amy and Melissa were able to both give 2 talks at the ASRT meeting. 3 graduates have been published in the Radiation Therapist Journal. Goal this year for students is to work on constructive criticism, comments, and feedback. Melissa extends a large thank you to the RTOW for the support it has given the students and a thank you to all the members in helping to support the students as well.

By-Laws: All changes were approved.

Pam mentioned that all information need to the ASRT and WRST has been submitted.

**Nominations:** Brie (Brienne Lortiz) was voted in by her south east members to be the south east representative.

There was some confusion on whether the treasurer position was up for nomination. Cheryl Crump did speak up in being interested in the treasurer position. More clarification to come on this from Pam and Steve.

President Elect is not up at this time, but there was an appeal by Pam for members to seriously consider running.

### **New Business:**

Spring Meeting: Looking for volunteer(s)

Passing of the Gavel: Pam Baumann's term of President is at its end, she invited Steve Feirn up to the podium and officially passed on the gavel who will be the first to hold office for a 2 year term.

A huge thank you to the planning committee for a great location and great choices in speakers.

Meeting adjourned at 1:14pm.

Submitted by Kimberly Steen