

SECRETARY / TREASURER'S REPORT

BY Howard C. Anderson, Jr, R.Ph.

It has been an active year for healthcare in general, and pharmacy in particular. Many things have gone on at NABP and most of our states are again struggling with budget issues which affect their ability to attend and interact at national and regional meetings, such as ours.

We had a great year in the Study Grant application area, with seven study grant applications being submitted, thus keeping our Study Grant Committee very busy. A great project was selected "*Attitudes and Behaviors of Pharmacy Staff toward Near Misses*" from the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority Regional Pharmacy Program. This group will report at our 2010 meeting in Iowa.

With the concurrence of the North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy, we have placed a webpage for District Five NABP/AACP on the Board of Pharmacy's website at www.nodakpharmacy.com/DistrictV. Or it can be accessed by going to the Board's website www.nodakpharmacy.com and clicking on the link on the left-hand side of the page. I am sure all of you will want to review the North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy website, but I do encourage you to particularly look at the District V pages and give me your feedback, if you have not already done so. I will continue to post things to our webpage for your reference and we will work towards an online registration for next year. We send out a booklet of proceedings to each of the Attendees, the Boards and the Colleges, within 60 days of the meeting. I do think we should have a discussion as to whether we should continue to print and mail this booklet, or whether you would prefer that we just post it on the website. We do have last years proceedings posted there. Currently summaries are available of the presentations in the booklet. These summaries are often very difficult to wrench out of the presenters and we could of course post their actual PowerPoint presentations, if you think that would be helpful. We spent \$ 298.40 on the printing and approximately \$330 in postage, that is \$628.40 without the cost of preparing the summaries and of course we are somewhat indebted to the ND Board of Pharmacy for allowing us to use their site and also their staff to prepare our materials.

A financial report is included with this report. I would like to point out that while it reports a loss figure, most of the income for the Fargo meeting came in before the beginning of our year July 1, 2008, while some of the expenses had not come in at that point. You will notice that we paid for two Study Grants during this year, as one came in at the end of one year and the other the beginning of the next. We also advanced Nebraska \$2,500 to get their account started. Nebraska chose to handle their receipts and disbursements all at the University of Nebraska and we will receive a financial report from Charles Krobot for posting, once he has completed all of the expenses for this meeting.

One of the things I learned last year was "please do not pass any resolutions and tell Anderson to write them later." It is one thing to write a resolution while we are all here together and quite another to try and write a resolution by correspondence from many different angles. I would not recommend that procedure. However, the resolution did make its way to NABP and did get adopted in substantially the form we had asked, which turned out to be an addition to what was already in the model act. North Dakota, as well as many others around the country has passed laws similar to "Justin's Law" in Minnesota, and of course the Feds have passed an internet law pertaining to controlled substances that is pretty strict as well. I am sure each of the Boards could tell some stories about their pursuit of internet pharmacies and internet prescribers over the past year. It is interesting that a recent solicitation for insurance, received by my son, advertised that he would be able to call a physician and then would not need to go into the clinic or the ER.

Lloyd Jessen has served notice that he intends to run for a second term on the NABP Executive Committee and I do not believe that any other individual has notified NABP that they intend to seek this position. Therefore, our Nominating Committee for this year will need to select a Resolutions Committee member for us and an alternate to serve at the 2010 Annual NABP Meeting. These nominations will be voted on in our final business session on Saturday.

As always, we will need some of you to work on our District committees at this meeting and on the interim study grant committee. Please share any interest you have for working on our committees with me, or the co-chairs for any District meeting. I would like to thank many of you for your work in the past. Committees to do the Business of the District during this meeting are as follows:

AUDIT Committee

2009-2010	Chair	Ron Guse [Manitoba]	Dennis Dobish [IA]
		Randy Jones [SD]	Karen Bergrud [MN]

DISTRICT Nominating Committee

2009 – 2010	Chair:	Gayle Ziegler [ND]	Roger Kaczmarek [NE]
		Mark Anliker [IA]	

DISTRICT RESOLUTIONS Committee

2009-2010	Chair:	Rick Zarek [NE]	Laurel Haroldson [ND]
		Ikram-Ul-Huq [MN]	Ron Huether [SD]

STUDY GRANT Committee

2009-2010	Chair:	Susan Lessard-Friesen – MB	Arlene Ham-Burr – SD
		Jeffrey Reist – U of IA	Marilyn Speedie - MN

TIME & PLACE

Lloyd Jessen - IA	<u>2010</u>	Jeffrey Reist
IA Board of Pharmacy		University of IA
Ray Joubert, Registrar	<u>2011</u>	Dennis KJ Gorecki, PhD, Dean
Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists		College of Pharmacy & Nutrition
700 – 4010 Pasqua Street		University of Saskatchewan
Regina Saskatchewan S4S 7B9		110 Science Place
Canada		Saskatoon Saskatchewan S7N 5C9 Canada

Remember that as soon as Lloyd decides to run for higher office, you will need to pay attention to the NABP nominations process, to get your name submitted in time for the nominations process at the subsequent District meeting.

I would also like to thank the loyal people of our District Colleges of Pharmacy, who have been such an important part of our meetings. Our participation has been excellent and we have worked together on some important issues. Last year’s discussion on Pharmacy Curriculum Outcomes Assessment® (PCOA®) must have been good, as I noticed that at least two of our District schools participated.

Thank you, Your humble servant
Howard C. Anderson Jr, R.Ph.