

Board of Directors Report

Presented by Senior Board Chair, Terri Bruckner

Every year is exciting for the OSRT. The volunteers associated with this organization are incredibly generous with their time and talents!

Board members begin their term at the post-annual board meeting, which has occurred in the past at the close of the Annual Meeting. There are two mid-year board meetings, and a meeting just prior to the annual meetings. Board members, committee chairs and appointees, contracted staff, and members attend each of these meetings. Please allow me to share some of the things our Board members, committee chairs, and members have accomplished this year.

The first goal of our strategic plan is to “Create a culture of leadership that incorporates guidance and quality governance.” With that in mind, a task force was formed with the charge to create and implement a leadership academy. The task force worked diligently for several years to create the materials needed, and this past January trialed the program with the board members. Those present agreed that the program was excellent and ready to accept members. This year for the first time, the OSRT is offering a full Leadership Academy here at this Annual Meeting. Our first class includes 9 participants. (Ask them to stand if this hasn’t been done already.)

The board continues to strive to offer educational offerings that are beneficial to all radiologic science imaging and therapy professions. We have decided to hold the 2019 and 2020 Annual Meetings in Columbus, so the central location will make it easier for members to attend from anywhere in the state.

A CT continuing education event will be held May 20-21, 2017 in Columbus. Check your folders for more information.

Our Health Policy committee members attend and participate in many of our Ohio Department of Health committee meetings. They also communicate frequently with our legislative advisers. Working with our webmaster, a Health Policy tab has been added to our main menu. Check back there frequently for what is happening legislatively in our state. Our first Advocacy Day was held March 21st. Six officers, technologists, one of our student leaders, and Health Policy committee members met face-to-face with state representatives, senators, of their legislative aides to highlight the medical imaging profession.

This year the following OSRT members were elected to ASRT delegate positions:

- Heather Moore, M.Ed., R.T.(R) – Education Alternate Chapter Delegate
- Kristin Seitz, R.T.(R)(CT)(MR), MRSO – MRI Chapter Delegate
- Lucas Gross, M.S., R.T.(N), CNMT, NMTCB(CT) – NM Alternate Chapter Delegate
- Tiffany Roman, R.T.(R)(CT)(MR) – Radiography Alternate Chapter Delegate
- Debra Myers, M.Ed., R.T.(R), RDMS, RVT, RDCS – Sonography Chapter Delegate

Also, Dr. Julie Gill was elected as Director-at-large for the Association of Educators in Imaging and Radiologic Sciences.

Our webmaster, Denise Moore and Executive Secretary Sheryl Bacon have worked diligently to improve the membership and registration processes.

If you haven't seen our Facebook page—check it out. Watch for activities for both Twitter and Facebook.

Four student leaders were again selected and will assume their responsibilities after installation at our banquet.

Membership in OSRT continues to be a concern of the board. Numbers nationally are shrinking for state radiography societies, and we are no exception. Without your membership, the OSRT would not be able to monitor the legislative issues that affect technologists in Ohio, or offer the benefits of our Annual and Regional Educational meetings. If you are not members, ask us about the benefits to joining. If you are a member, share your story with a friend.

Again, this is only a small sample of the activities from this past year. If you have any questions about the board or the activities of the OSRT, please feel free to stop me and ask at this meeting.