



Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists

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Membership Services Report
April 18 - 20, 2022
Diane Wingenter
Committee Member

Dear members of the WSRT,

The new on-line system continues to be working well. Christina continues to be a great resource for any problems that may arise.

When I send a reminder email to expired members, I also send a letter describing why their membership is important, list of board members and a “save the date” for the annual meeting.

When I send a new membership email, I include a pdf card, certificate, welcome letter from the President, list of board members and a “save the date” for the annual meeting.

When I send a renewed membership email, I include a pdf card, a letter describing why their membership is important, list of board members and a “save the date” for the annual meeting.

With this new system, I also receive various questions which I answer or forward to the appropriate individuals.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to improve this procedure.

If anyone is interested in taking over Membership Services, please let Dan/Board/Committee members know. I will gladly step out of this position if someone is willing to take over. It has been a pleasure being a part of the WSRT.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Wingenter
Member Services



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TREASURER REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020 - AUGUST 2021

CHECKING ACCOUNT

TAX YEAR END

Beginning Balance 9-1-2020	\$ 5342.58
Revenue	\$ 24,758.47
Expenses	\$ 10,154.60
Ending Balance 8-31-2021	\$ 13,676.35

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance 9-1-2021	\$ 13,676.35
Revenue	\$ 44,500.00
Expenses	\$ 44,370.00
Ending Balance 3-28-2022	\$ 44,555.83

INVESTMENT FUND (Ameriprise)

Beginning Value 9-1-2020	\$27,426.96
Ending Value 8-31-2021	\$38,903.04
Withdrawal	\$ 0
Ending Balance 2-28-2022	\$40,487.05

GAVEL CLUB

Checking Account	
Balance as of 3-28-2022	\$ 7,845.05

TOTAL NET WORTH **\$ 50,457.05**

Respectfully submitted,
Christina Smith
WSRT Treasurer



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WSRT 2022 Annual Conference
April 18-20, 2022
Conference Status Report
Dan Vander Meulen, WSRT President

Dear members of the WSRT,

The WSRT and WAERT subcommittee are returning the annual conference to an in-person event at the Kalahari Resort and Waterpark in Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. All three days feature a great lineup of speakers and activities for both technologists and students, with several sponsors and recruiters also to attend. The cost for educators and technologists is \$100 per day or \$250 for all three days, and the cost for students is \$100 for all three days. In the interest of fiscal restraint, the board decided to provide two breaks with water and soda on Monday, but breaks and lunch will be provided Tuesday and Wednesday.

The WSRT Business meeting will occur on Monday April 18. The morning meeting will be from 8-8:45 and the voting meeting during the afternoon will occur from 5-6:00. Anyone interested in volunteering or board membership is encouraged to reach out to the board for information on how to contribute their time and expertise to the WSRT.

The conference is approved for 21 CEU credits which are applicable to CQR requirements as well. The WSRT website addresses individual speakers and other details of the conference. Thanks to all board members who contributed to the conference, but special thanks go out to Christina Smith and Ali Liezert-Dale for an amazing job with lining up speakers and planning the conference and Deb Kjelstad for working so hard to get the best deal from the Kalahari.

ASRT sent an email blast early in April, and the conference has been actively advertised on social media. There are 19 total vendors and recruiters presenting at the conference. We look forward to reconnecting at this first conference since 2019!

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Vander Meulen R.T., (R)
President, Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists



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Bylaws Report
April 3rd 2022
Marsha Jones
By-laws committee

Dear members of the WSRT,

The WSRT BY-LAWS were presented at the WSRT Teleconference in 2021 and were voted upon and By-laws were sent to the ASRT and accepted. The By-laws are available for viewing on the WSRT.NET website.

There is no new activity to report at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Jones
WSRT By-laws Committee



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April 18, 2022, WSRT Board Meeting
WSRT Member Delegate Report
Mary G. Gehin BS RTR

WSRT Member Delegate Report:

Telephone Conferences that I have participated in were:

April 27, 2021
July 28, 2021
November 03, 2021
January 12, 2022
February 23, 2022

I have continued to serve on the ASRT Region 5 Advocacy Sub Committee as a volunteer.

I virtually attended the 2021 ASRT 36th Annual Governance and House of Delegates Meeting that was held June 18-20, 2021. Due to the restrictions of COVID this annual meeting was held virtually. Once again, thank you WSRT for letting me have the privilege to attend by zoom and represent the board!

Respectfully submitted,

Mary G. Gehin BS RTR
WSRT Member Delegate



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Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists
Member At Large
April 3rd 2022
Marsha Jones
WSRT Member-at Large

Dear members of the WSRT,

I have attended multiple WSRT BOD meetings via Webex calls during the year and special meetings pertaining to the WSRT/WAERT Annual conference. There is no new activity to report at this time.

Respectfully submitted:
Marsha Jones
WSRT Member-At-Large



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 President's Report
 April 18-20, 2022
 Daniel Vander Meulen
 President

Dear members of the WSRT,

This year has been a challenge with the partial lifting of Covid protocols and a return to something like normalcy. The board has worked hard and I am proud to have helped out in whatever ways I have been able to. In the last year I have done the following on behalf of the membership of the WSRT:

- Attended the post conference meeting for elevation of officers.
- Attended the Virtual House of Delegates meeting.
 - general meeting
 - Education Affiliate meeting
 - Radiography Affiliate meeting
- Facilitated meetings throughout the rest of the year using current virtual meeting software.
 - these meetings are recorded on the WSRT Google drive
- Helped to facilitate the fall meeting in November.
- Worked with other board members to enroll the WSRT in the ASRT Affiliate Development Program.
- Completed the election report form to report changes in officers to the ASRT.
- Completed the year-end report and submitted this to the ASRT in late September.
- Completed the Affiliate Financial Aid request, with funds added to our account in early November.
- Reached out to Michael Blumenfeld and Associates to verify a continuation of his generous terms for another year of partnership on the legislative front.

I want to thank the board for their hard work on the many projects we had during the year. We would not be what we are together without our membership and the support we provide for one another. Thank you all!

Moving forward, members of the board who will enter terms that carry into 2023 are involved in the Affiliate Development Program with ASRT. Some of the activities included in this initiative include:

- A seven question survey ASRT will send to ASRT members in the state who are current and prospective members, asking their thoughts on what the WSRT could work on in the next few years, what members and technologists expect of us, and a few other questions. We intend to use these answers to tailor the activities of the Society around the needs of the technologists of the state.
- We will be working on a member and volunteer E-blast to try to solicit interest in board and volunteer activities from the membership at large.
- We will also be working on funding from the ASRT for a WSRT Microsoft Teams account or a similar service to streamline meetings and archiving in the future.
- Board members will complete ASRT Leadership Academy Modules.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve. I have learned much from my colleagues and am honored to work with such dedicated professionals throughout Wisconsin.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Vander Meulen R.T., (R)
President, Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists



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 WSRT Annual Conference
 April 18-20, 2022
 Chairman of the Board Report
 Jolynn Van Ert, WSRT Chairman of the Board

To Whom It May Concern,

It has been a privilege and honor to have served the membership this past year as the Chairman of the Board for the Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists. The Covid-19 pandemic certainly produced unprecedented challenges and difficulties directly influencing our families, healthcare organizations, and the communities we serve. I continue to be inspired by your tireless work ethic and faithful commitment to your patients. You are true healthcare heroes!

As an organization, the WSRT is fully committed to providing educational and professional development opportunities for radiologic technologists. This is especially important and relevant as the CQR process is now in force for technologists who have earned any ARRT credential after January 1, 2011. Coronavirus mitigation strategies continue to influence social events, but we are extremely pleased that conditions have allowed us to host the **2022 WAERT WSRT Educational Symposium April 18-20, 2022**. The Symposium is designed as a Multi-Day educational event; keeping the current structure of the WAERT Student Symposium but expanding its CEU offerings to additionally meet practicing technologists' needs.

I would like to share my sincere appreciation for my exceptional WSRT colleagues. First off, I want to thank the WSRT Board and Committee Members for their continued dedication and investment of time and talents to help the organization operate. Dan – you did a phenomenal job leading the WSRT this year. I would also like to express heartfelt gratitude for the tireless volunteers working so hard and diligently to organize this conference. Without these people, the conference would not be achievable. Thank you to all the vendors and sponsors. We sincerely appreciate your continued support for our society and profession.

WSRT membership - we need volunteers to fill the open board positions and committee posts. Please step up and help us as we look to the future and work to create a vibrant WSRT/WAERT Educational Symposium here in the Midwest; two distinct audiences but one shared message of high-quality professional education!

It is my sincere hope that I will enjoy the Symposium and the human connections.

Respectfully submitted,
 Jolynn M. Van Ert, BS, RT(R)(CT), CPC, CIRCC, RCC
 WSRT Chairman of the Board



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Legislative Committee Report-Annual Conference, April 2022
Sandra Helinski, MBA, RTR, QM, MR--Legislative Committee Chairperson

The WSRT legislative committee continued to monitor the regulatory activities of the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) and the Wisconsin state legislature. It was encouraging to see activity in Madison resume, as hearings on proposed legislation were once again held in person. The Radiography Examining Board (REB), our professional state board, held successful virtual meetings to oversee our profession in accordance with the provisions of our licensure law. The knowledge gained by adaptations in virtual communication will serve the WSRT, Radiography Examining Board (REB), and other state agencies in carrying out the business of the people well into the future, whatever it may bring.

As mentioned in last year's report, the effects of the pandemic highlighted the state's need to expedite licensure applications to promote a strong workforce in all licensed professions. The legislature took matters into its own hands to change the Department of Safety and Professional Service (DSPS) approval processes by the introduction of two bills. I submitted testimony on behalf of the WSRT Board of Directors in favor of both bills for the hearings held by the Senate Committee on Insurance, Licensing and Reform, and the Assembly Committee on Regulatory Licensing Reform, the committees to which these bills were assigned. Thank you to Randy Griswold, legislative committee member, for his input on the testimonials.

SB 232/AB217 PROVISIONAL LICENSURE would have required the DSPS to draft rules to set up a process for creation of a provisional license for persons who have applied, but are awaiting final approval. The individual credentialing boards, such as our Radiography Examining Board would have been allowed to set up their own rules that could supercede DSPS rules. The WSRT was in favor of this legislation as approval of the granting of provisional licenses remained in the control of our own the Radiography Examining board. Also, timely decisions would be made to allow qualified and credentialed applicants to begin working in their field, BY those working in the radiologic profession. This law did not pass in this legislative session and will have to be reintroduced next session.

AB 218/SB 233 PASSIVE LICENSURE REVIEW was a similar bill that required prompt review of licensure applications by a passive process. A 10-day limit is placed on the DSPS to issue a license once the respective occupational licensing board, our REB for example, approves the applicant's credentials. The DSPS must still ensure that the applicant satisfies eligibility requirements as set forth in the radiography licensure law (Chapter 462 State Statutes) including review of arrest and conviction records. The WSRT supported this legislation for the same reasons as the previous bill along with the fact that the integrity of the individual practicing in the field is upheld through DSPS review. **This bill was signed into law by Governor Evers on December 7, 2021 as 2021 Wisconsin Act 118.**

A DSPS Press Release dated April 1 announced the launch of "LicenseE", effective May 16. LicenseE will be a "new self- guided, online platform that is replacing paper-based applications in occupational licensing" according to the release. Details will be available on the DSPS website to assist applicants.

The Radiography Examining Board held hearings on the creation of **Radiography Rule 7**, regarding late renewal and reinstatement of radiography and LXMO (Limited X-ray Machine Operator) license and permits respectively. This was mostly a procedural matter to create guidelines for such applicants to successfully work in the radiographic profession in renewal and reinstatement circumstances. These provisions had not

yet been addressed in the original Rule creation of the licensure law. I submitted testimony to the REB in favor of the creation of Rad Rule 7. The REB has sent final rules to be published in the administrative register.

The ASRT Committee on Radiologic Technologist Advocacy (CRTA) Region 5 has held teleconference meetings to survey regulatory matters and inventory actions and concerns in the states of Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. I have created reports and submitted them to Mr. Scott Haglund, Region 5 leader with WSRT President Dan Vandermeulen's approval. The ASRT has continued to advocate for the passage of the federal MARCA Bill (Medicare Access to Radiology Care Act) introduced as Senate Bill 2641 and House Bill HR 3657 last summer. This bill would ensure that services provided by a radiologist assistant, supervised by a radiologist as part of radiologist-led patient care team receive complete Medicare reimbursement, regardless of the health care setting in which it is performed. Partisanship and mid-term election attention will make action on this bill unlikely in this Congressional session.

What should become apparent in this report is the importance of the Radiography Examining Board, created by the passage of our licensure law in 2010 (Wisconsin Act 106, 2009). In the bills introduced this past year, our Wisconsin legislature had demonstrated their willingness to trust the occupational licensing boards, such as our REB, to be the body to confirm an individual's eligibility for a radiographic license, and even to supercede the DSPS's rules in some cases. During the legislative journey to radiographic licensure, our Senate Sponsor, former Senator John Lehman insisted that radiographers have the ability to oversee themselves, by a state board consisting of individuals **working** in the radiographic profession. Licensure, though our REB has made radiologic technologists **professionals** in our state, equal to nurses, respiratory therapists and other licensed individuals. If there were no REB, decisions about radiographic practices would be made by outsiders, encroaching upon our unique role in health care and potentially delegating our jobs to others. I am not able to close this report by emphasizing that licensure is more important **now** than ever. With the shortage of workers in all fields, the fact that unqualified and non-radiologic personnel **cannot** assume our role in medical imaging is more than significant. It might be attractive to think that we should move to alleviate the staffing gaps in our workplaces by diminishing the qualifications necessary to perform radiography. That would be a short sighted solution against the tenets of our licensure law. Such a move would undo what the WSRT accomplished for radiography, and most importantly, adversely impact proper radiologic health care for patients. We as technologists should be proud to have a state society, our WSRT, which stood up for our profession and patients to bring a high standard of radiologic competence to Wisconsin. Licensure, as a tangible example of the advocacy demonstrated by the WSRT, needs all of our ongoing support. If you are not already a member, I hope join the WSRT to become a part of its long standing efforts to improve the practice of radiologic patient care and associate yourself with its legacy of advocacy and education.

I want to thank Mr. Blumenfeld and Erin Fabrizio, our Madison policy advisors for continuing to work with us this past year. As advocacy experts, they guided us to the passage of our licensure law and have continued to help us safeguard its integrity. The members of the Radiography Examining Board chaired by Mr. Donald Borst, deserve recognition for their time and dedication to the oversight of radiography in Wisconsin. I thank the WSRT Board of Directors and the WSRT membership for their continued support and trust as Legislative Committee Chairperson.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Helinski MBA, RTR, QM, MR



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Annual President-elect Report
April 18-20
Donna Lee, President-elect

Dear members of the WSRT,

Since joining the board in April 2021, I have participated in all regularly scheduled and ad hoc meetings. All meetings have been held virtually. I want to thank the members of the board for their warm welcome and enthusiasm in joining them on the board and their interest in my learning the role of president-elect.

In the past year, I have contributed to the recruitment of speakers and vendors to the annual symposium and have been participating in the ASRT Affiliate Development program to help grow and address the challenges facing our society. I will continue to participate in this program through its conclusion in the Fall of 2022.

I will attend the ASRT Annual House of Delegates meeting June 23-26 as delegate for the WSRT and look forward to representing the WSRT and meeting other delegates from across the country and learning about their views and challenges. This meeting is an excellent opportunity to make connections with others and to share ideas regarding the challenges of our profession.

I am looking forward to learning more about our membership needs and helping to move our profession forward. In my future roles, I hope that I can meet the expectations of the members of the WSRT while trying to fill the large footsteps of those who have come before me.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Lee RT(R) MBA-HA



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Annual Secretary Report
April 18-20 2022
Chad Dall, Secretary

Dear members of the WSRT,

Since joining the board in April 2021, I have participated in most of the regularly scheduled and ad hoc meetings. All meetings have been held virtually. I have recorded the meeting minutes for all meetings since my appointment last year. The meeting minutes are stored on a shared Google drive that all WSRT Board members have access to.

In the past year, I have contributed to the recruitment of speakers and vendors to the annual symposium. I am participating in the ASRT Affiliate Development program to help grow and address the challenges facing our society. I will continue to participate in this program through its conclusion in the Fall of 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Chad Dall RT(R)(MR) MBA