

## SDSMA Secretary's Report 2008

The 13<sup>th</sup> annual business meeting of the SDSMA was called to order at @2:15 pm on Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at the Best Western Ramkota, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

All officers were in attendance except President Jo Penning, who was ill. The meeting was conducted by Vice President Brenda Ramstad. The treasurer's report was read by Amy Zobel, and was approved as written by Laura Munkvold. The secretary's report was read by Dianne Hudson, and was approved as written by Cindy Pulscher.

The first order of business was the Public Policy: CMA's do still need a physician signature in order to register with the Board of Nursing, although it went from 7 pages to 1 page. The first time you register with the Board of Nursing the signature cannot be from a Dentist or Chiropractor.

The second item of business was the National Convention. Because of the number of AAMA members in South Dakota we can have 3 delegates and 3 alternates attend the National Convention. The costs were discussed, such as hotel, flights (due to the increase gas prices) vs. driving, and registration. The National Convention this year will be in Chicago. Carlene Van Egdome moved that the SDSMA allow up to \$1000.00 be given to each delegate and alternate. The motion was seconded and approved.

The third item of business was the SDSMA convention for 2009. The location and price was discussed and it was moved and seconded that we have the SDSMA 2009 convention at the Best Western Ramkota, in Sioux Falls. The dates are March 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. A suggestion was made that we have a one day cost since some members cannot attend both days but are still paying for both days. It would be discussed when the planning begins for the convention.

It was also discussed with all attending if there would be interest in having a fall symposium sometime in September or October. Although the National convention would be in October, members agreed they would like to attend the symposium. The hours possibly being 8am-12pm.

Meeting dates for the executive board was discussed and everyone is invited to attend. The dates are as follows: May 13<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>, September 9<sup>th</sup>, and November 11<sup>th</sup>. All will be held at Colorado Technical University and 5:30pm. The website was also discussed and items members wanted to see on the website were Chapter meeting dates, times and locations, as well as topics and speakers. It was also approved to pay Scott Beyer's membership each year starting with 2008 as long as he is updating the website.

This year our scholarship winner was, Beth VanHerdee, congratulations!

It was also discussed that we need volunteers to help with all aspects of the SDSMA. If you are interested in helping please contact any SDSMA officer. Also encourage all students who are graduating to join the AAMA, there are many benefits to belonging.

A final note, there were 103 people attending this years SDSMA convention. Next year we would like more.

This year there is not an election of officers.

They are:	President	Jo Penning
	Vice President	Brenda Ramstad
	Secretary	Dianne Hudson
	Treasurer	Amy Zobel

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Dianne Hudson, CMA, Secretary of the SDSMA