The Fall Meeting of the Council of State Association Presidents (CSAP), “Tools for Transforming Tomorrow: Together We Learn” was held at the Westin Peachtree Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia on Wednesday, November 20, 2002. There were 78 participants, and 37 states represented. The meeting opened at 8:00 a.m. with a welcome from Nancy McKinley, (WI), President.

The opening session, Organizations that Work: Get Them In and Get Them to Do the Job was a panel presentation facilitated by Barbara Moore-Brown, CSAP Past President. Panel members included Alex Johnson, ASHA VP for Professional Practices in Speech-Language Pathology, Steve Ryan, ASHA-CSAP Joint Committee on State-National Association Relations, Ann Alexander, ASHA-CSAP Joint Committee on State-National Association Relations, Mel Cohen, Healthcare Management Workshops and Helen Duhon, President, Tennessee Association of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists. This lively presentation ended with a “conga-line” of CSAPers dancing along the outer edge of the room! State recognition ceremonies followed, presented by Nancy Creaghead, ASHA President.

Bring, Brag and Moan followed next on the agenda, and was very well received, as usual.

A series of round-table lunch discussions were conducted during the lunch meal. Topics included Leadership Revisited, led by Vicki Lord Larson; Public Relations Issues led by Wendy Ellmo, What ASHA Can do for State Associations led by Eileen Crowe, Salary Supplement Issues led by Robert Hull, Work Caseload Issues led by Larry Biehl, Health Related Issues and Your State Association led by Maureen Thompson and Speech-to-Speech, led by Bob Segalman. Another option was offered to participants who felt the need to “get out” of the meeting for awhile; Eat and Run (actually walk) featured a walking tour of downtown Atlanta, led by Rosemary Brown Lewis (no CEUs for the walkers!).

After lunch, Lynn Flahive, national NSSLHA executive director, presented Partnering with NSSLHA and Our Students Members. In this presentation, Lynn gave wonderful suggestions for how to involve students in state associations and mentor them into productive volunteers for our future state associations! Breakout sessions were then conducted on the following topics: Growing a More Vital Association with a Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation, presented by Ron Bender; Presidential Oversight and Management of Your State Association’s Budgets, Investments and Inquiring Minds, presented by Mel Cohen and TechPractice 2002: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly, presented by Tina Radichel. A second round of breakout sessions followed, repeating the sessions by Mel Cohen and Tina Radichel, with the addition of a session on Running an Efficient Meeting, presented by Mariana Newton. The business meeting followed. The closing keynote presentation was On the Road to Becoming Past President, by Michael McKinley. The program culminated in an “Alumni Reunion” evening dinner and program at the World of Coca-Cola Museum, which was great fun for all who participated. In addition to the current CSAP members, more than 70 alumni attended for a total attendance of about 150.
1.0 Call to Order: Nancy McKinley (WI)

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 p.m.

2.0 Approval of Spring, 2002 Minutes: Marcia J. Brown (MO)

Minutes were read; a typographical error was noted. The minutes were approved as corrected.

3.0 Report of the Treasurer: Karlen Cantrell Brucker (MO)

3.1 A copy of CSAP’s current financial statement was provided for all members, as per the request of members at the spring 2002 meeting.

3.2 Assets were reported of $78,818.

3.3 Profit to date (as of 10-31-02) was reported as $23,991.

3.4 Karlen Cantrell Brucker (MO) explained the financial report, including losses on investments of $2,262.47.

4.0 Standing Committee Reports

   4.1 Fall 2002 Local Arrangements: Rosemary Brown Lewis (GA)

Rosemary Brown Lewis (GA) reported that the evening social would take place at the World of Coca-Cola Museum from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. She indicated that members of the local arrangements committee would be available to walk with members to the social from the lobby of the Westin at 6:30 p.m. She reported that dress is casual.

   4.2 Spring 2003 Local Arrangements: Diane Farrand (NE)

Diane Farrand (NE) reported that Nebraska is excited about the upcoming Spring 2003 CSAP meeting. The location will be at the Embassy Suites in Omaha, Nebraska. Diane gave highlights of Omaha, and reported that the social would include dining under the shark tank in the Omaha Zoo. Patti Iafrate-Bellini (RI) was recognized as past local arrangements chair.

   4.3 Nominations: Tracy Grammer (OK)

Tracy Grammer of OK reported the results of the election of officers as follows: President-Elect: Lisa O’Connor (CA); Secretary: Lezlie Pearce-Hopper (OR). Tracy thanked her committee, consisting of Jody O’Donnell (ID) and Christine Begay Vining (NM).

   4.4 Technology: Robert Hull (GA)

Marlene Salas-Provance of MO moved to California, thereby resigning her post as chair of the Technology Committee. Robert Hull (GA) agreed to fill this position for the remainder of Marlene’s
term. Robert reported that the technology committee consists of John Applegate (MO), Peggy Carlin (MS), Helen Duhon (TN), Pam Haas (NM), Rhonda Nitschelm (SD), and Claudia Shannon (KS). Robert also reported that the listserv is up and running, and being utilized by the membership. He also indicated that the slush pile has been updated with articles that can be used as space fillers in your state association newsletters. These articles have releases from the authors and are ready to be used.

4.5 Time and Place: Lezlie Pearce-Hopper (OR)

Lezlie Pearce-Hopper (OR) reported that the spring 2005 CSAP meeting will be held in Stillwater, MN, co-hosted by Minnesota and Wisconsin. This location is on-track with our new regionalization plan. Lezlie announced that she is currently accepting application from Region I for Spring of 2006.

4.6 By-Laws: Wendy Ellmo (NJ)

Wendy Ellmo of NJ reported that she, as chairperson of the By-Laws Committee, along with Barbara Moore-Brown of CA and Ron Bender of TX proposed revisions to CSAP’s existing By-Laws, which were accepted by the Executive Board and will be presented later for approval by the membership.

4.7 Legislative Council: Donise Pearson (TX)

CSAP’s LC representative, Donise Pearson (TX) reported that ASHA’s Legislative Council begins Friday at 1:00 p.m.. The membership forum is at 2:00 p.m. The resolution passed by CSAP on changing the rotation of ASHA from every six years to every five years in a given state will be voted on.

4.8 Issues and Planning: Mike Flahive (IN)

Mike Flahive (IN) announced that there were no needed meetings of the Issues and Planning Committee due to services provided by the management firm and the use of electronic communication among members.

5.0 Old Business

No old business was brought forth for discussion.

6.0 New Business

6.1 Barbara Moore-Brown (CA) and Wendy Ellmo (NJ) moved the resolution from the By-Laws Committee to the floor. Barbara explained the rationale of the proposed changes. Georgia moved to accept the revised By-Laws, California seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6.2 Nancy McKinley (WI) reported action taken by the CSAP Executive Board to begin meeting annually with representatives of the Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CAPCSD).
6.3 Ron Bender (TX) announced the theme for CSAP in 2003 will be *Growing a Vital Association through Volunteerism*. He also announced the intent to continue offering a strand at the spring CSAP meeting for association managers.

7.0 Recognition and Announcements:

7.1 Certificates to last timers included Marcia Brown (MO), Helen Duhon (TN), Mike Flahive (IN), Betholyn Gentry (AR), Joyce Goates-Maughan (UT), Barbara Moore-Brown (CA), Toni Moorehouse (NE), Jody O’Donnell (ID), Gary Jones (NY), Laura Young-Campbell (AK) and Rosemary Brown Lewis (GA).

7.2 50/50 Drawing: It was announced that the winner of the 50/50 drawing would be selected at the social at the World of Coca-Cola.

8.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Submitted by

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