



L.D. Britt Surgical Society 2007 Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2007

Dear Members:

It gives me great pleasure to serve as your president of the L. D. Britt Surgical Society and I hope this letter finds all doing well. We owe our many thanks to Terez Duane for instilling much energy and work into the Society bringing its organization to a new level. It may come as somewhat of a challenge to me to meet the fine dining expectations she has brought to the annual dinner but I can assure you that I will do my very best.

The 2007 annual dinner was held at K-Pauls in New Orleans on October 9th. Members in attendance were Brad Johnson, Terez Duane, Eric Dutson, Troy Glembot, Marybeth Scavone, Nathaniel McQuay, Bob Cortina and Timmothy Novocel. Nate Paulin was the resident representative, Eric Feliberti, Dr. Perry's new partner, and Marybeth's friends were also in attendance as well as, of course, Dr. Britt himself.

During the business meeting election of new officers was held. Brad Johnson was elected Vice President/President Elect and Eric Dutson was elected Secretary/Treasurer. The membership also voted to create an associate member status for physicians who would like membership in the Society such as EVMS faculty but did not have the advantage of doing their surgery training at EVMS. Each associate member will require approval by the leadership council and associate membership will be limited to 20% of the Society's total membership.

A motion was also approved for the President to give the guest lectureship at the Alumni Homecoming event one of the two years he or she is in office. Dr. Britt has also welcomed the input of the president in the selection of the speaker for the other year. A discussion also ensued regarding appointment of resident representatives to the Society. It was decided that this will be a two year appointment to be determined by the chief residents.

I will update the Society's Bylaws to reflect the changes agreed upon at the dinner and present the revisions next year in San Francisco for final approval.

Attached, you will also find the most recent alumni address list. Please use it to stay in contact with each other and if you know of any additions or revisions, please send them to me at Robert.Maxwell@universitysurgical.com so I can make the appropriate changes.

Finally, one of the EVMS faculty has suggested that we perhaps do something to recognize Dr. Jim Lind. For those more recent alum, Dr. Lind was the chair of the department of surgery at EVMS for twenty some years and apparently gave a fledgling department considerable growth and security before retiring. Maybe we could acknowledge him at one of the Alumni Homecoming events if he would come. If anybody has any further thoughts or ideas regarding this subject, drop me a line or something. Recently, I have spoken to some Alumni that finished under Dr. Lind and there may be some growing interest in this regard.

Very sincerely yours,
Bob Maxwell, MD, FACS
Associate Professor of Surgery

Program Director of Surgical Critical Care
Department of Surgery, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga