ASSOCIATION OF GENETIC TECHNOLOGISTS

42nd ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, June 17, 2017

St. Louis Union Station Hotel

St. Louis, MO

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

AGT President Pat Dowling called the 42nd Annual Business Meeting to order at 8:10 a.m. on Saturday, June 17.

* President Pat Dowling thanked members for their participation and continued support.
* The current, 2016-2017, AGT Board of Directors was introduced: President-Elect – Jason Yuhas, Secretary-Treasurer – Denise Juroske-Short, Education Director – Sally Kochmar, Public Relations Director – Ephrem Chin, Annual Meeting Director – Jennifer Sanmann and Annual Meeting Co-Director – Christina Mendiola.
* Members present at the business meeting RESOLVED to approve the 41st Annual Business Meeting Minutes.
* President Pat Dowling reported to the membership on the items completed in the past year and the initiatives taken at the Board of Directors Meeting.
	+ AGT provided more webinars in 2016-2017 than ever before (eight).
	+ AGT published the 4th edition of the Cytogenetics Laboratory Manual.
	+ AGT’s 2018 Annual Meeting planning will begin soon, and AGT will be surveying the membership for speaker and topic ideas.
	+ AGT will be transitioning to new management as of January 1, 2018 due to financial constraints.
		- Denise Juroske-Short will become AGT’s administrative leader starting January 1, 2018.
		- As no President-Elect candidate was nominated and then elected to the Board of Directors, Pat Dowling will continue on the AGT Board of Directors for one year as an Ex-Officio, Non-Voting member to assist with the transition.
* President Pat Dowling invited Secretary/Treasurer, Denise Juroske-Short, to present a brief overview of the current financial condition of the association and of the approved 2017-2018 budget.
* President Pat Dowling reported that the Bylaws revisions were sent to the membership in May for comment.
	+ Members present at the business meeting RESOLVED to approve the bylaws changes as written.
* Members were invited to ask questions about the Board initiatives, budget or any related organizations. No questions were asked.

President Pat Dowling introduced the following Council of Representatives members and asked them to provide brief reports:

* BOC – Representatives: Helen Bixenman, Amy Groszbach
* NAACLS – Representative: Peter Hu
* CAP – Representative: June Gu
* CCCLW – Representative: Hilary Blair

President Pat Dowling recognized FGT and their work each year and introduced FGT President Robin Vandergon.

President-Elect Jason Yuhas presented President Pat Dowling with the presidential plaque for her service as President-Elect (2013-2015) and President (2015-2017).

President Pat Dowling addressed the membership with some final remarks.

There being no further business to come before the AGT membership, President Pat Dowling adjourned the 42nd Annual Business Meeting at 9:05 a.m. Central Time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Juroske-Short

Secretary/Treasurer