

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** The meeting was called to order at 08:00 a.m.
2. **PRESIDENT'S WELCOME.** President J. Patterson welcomed the attendees. She introduced the members of the Executive Board, Committee Chairs, Committee Members and ANCDS Members.
3. **TREASURER'S REPORT.** Treasurer Y. Rogalski reported financial numbers from January 1, 2021 through 9/30/21. She indicated that the organization appears to be financially healthy, with income a bit higher than last year. Expenses this year were similar to last year.
4. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT.** President J. Patterson reported on several efforts from the past year.
  - 4.1 Sustained membership in 2021
  - 4.2 Diversity and Inclusion Committee initiated
    - \* Session at the Annual Meeting today
    - \* Executive board workshop in 2022
  - 4.3 Enhanced virtual presence in activities during the year and for this meeting
  - 4.4 Continued effort for ANCDS Residency program
    - Initially in partnership with VA
  - 4.5 Pilot initiative for single-use request for committee funding
  - 4.6 Presentation to Association of VA Speech-Language Pathologists national meeting
    - ANCDS membership
    - Certification process and benefits
  - 4.7 Revised website under the leadership of the Communications Committee
  - 4.8 Created mentorship program for incoming EB members and Committee Chairs
5. **COMMITTEE REPORTS.**
  - 5.1. **Certification Board.** Ramani Voleti (Chair) reported the following committee accomplishments
    - Record 12 applicants in the last year; 2 successfully defended and certified in 2020-21.
    - Group mentoring program working well.
    - Recertification and CECs submission is online
    - Three committee members Kim Eichhorn, Julie Carpenter and Diana Petroi will present on ANCDS board certification at ASHA this year
    - Congratulations to newly certified members: Jaime Payne, Jolynn Thomas, and Emily Cook
  - 5.2. **Communications Committee.** M. Sherrill reported the following committee accomplishments:
    - Launched the website re-design – focused on organization, accessibility and visual appeal.
      - Optimized member directory
      - Mobile-friendly event calendar
    - Newsletter
      - Spring and Summer completed
      - Fall/winter in progress
    - Increased social media presence
      - Average of 3 posts per week
    - 2022 Projects
      - Newsletter updates
      - Website edits and editions
        - social media handles in member directory
        - exploring options to advertise member labs and members-only resources

- Newsletter: Spring and Summer completed; plan to update the newsletter format next year

**5.3. Education and Standards Committee.** M. De Riesthal reported the following committee accomplishments:

**2021 Scientific Meeting Program**

- Planned and organized the meeting, invited speakers, worked with other committees to advertise, completed CE process
- Modified the meeting for the virtual format
- Special thanks to Louise Keegan, Chair for the Annual Meeting

**Webinars**

- Completed 3 webinars:
  - Natalie Douglas: “How to Practice Person-Centered Care for People with Dementia in Nursing Homes”
  - Kelly Knollman-Porter: “The Speech-Language Pathologist’s Role in Collegiate Athletic Concussion Management: Looking Back and Pushing Forward”
  - Margaret Lehman Blake: “Apraxia: Right Hemisphere Brain Damage Communication Disorders”

**Podcasts**

- Completed one podcast: July 28 – A conversation with Peter Meulenbroek: ANCDs Writing Group for Traumatic Brain Injury

**5.4. Evidence-Based Clinical Research Committee.** J. Silkes reported progress with writing groups:

**Writing Groups:**

- Apraxia of Speech (AOS) (Chair: Kirrie Ballard): Beginning a new review investigating the outcome measures, effect sizes, and moderating factors associated with treatments targeting acquired apraxia of speech
- Aphasia (Chair: Jamie Mayer): Two presentations at CAC (a review of auditory comprehension treatments; physical activity and aphasia recovery). Manuscripts for both of these projects have been submitted for review.
- Dysarthria (Chair: Deanna Britton): Two projects: The first is focused on behavioral interventions for respiratory/phonatory impairments in dysarthria due to neurodegenerative disease; The second paper is on intervention for VPI due to dysarthria. Reviews for these projects are in progress.
- [New] Pediatric Motor Speech Disorders (Edwin Maas): Project establishing standardized methods and criteria for diagnosis of pediatric motor speech disorders
- Progressive Neurological Disorders (Chair: Angela Roberts): Completed a comprehensive review of SLP interventions in PPA/PPAoS; manuscript ready to submit, including a comprehensive set of evidence tables and quality review tools to be made publicly available through an open science framework. Preliminary results presented at CAC and the International Society for Frontotemporal Dementias conference. Beginning a project to review the evidence on SLP counseling practices in dementia care.
- RHD (Chair: Peggy Blake): Three papers recently published or in press, addressing aspects of prosodic impairment in RHD; 4<sup>th</sup> paper submitted. One conference presentation completed. Currently undertaking a systematic review on language and pragmatic disorders
- TBI (Chair: Bryan Ness): Accepted paper on return to work after TBI. Beginning a review of SLP counseling techniques in cognitive-communication therapy
- New writing group being formed: Equity in clinical research in neurogenic disorders

**Outreach**

- Podcast interviews with writing group coordinators to publicize the work of the writing groups to clinicians – thanks to Mike Biel and Zack DeWall!!
- Updated ANCDs website to make EBCR material easier to find and navigate and bring listed publications up to date

**Other activities:** Addressing issues related to sharing research, disseminating our review methods, and sharing our expertise with other professional organizations.

- 5.5. Finance Committee. S. Schellinger** reported the following:
- Updated the sponsorship materials which are sent to potential corporate sponsors
  - Identified additional companies to add to our list, and contacted potential sponsors by phone and email
  - Our scientific meeting sponsors: **Intelligent Video Solutions (silver level), University of Wyoming Maggie and Dick Scarlett Excellence Chair in Speech-Language Pathology (silver level), and Calipso (green level)**

- 5.6. Honors Committee. K. Youse** reported the following for M. Kennedy:
- Reviewed nominations for Honors of the ANCDs and selected an Honoree
  - The 2021 Honoree will be revealed at the midday lunch and honors break

- 5.7. Membership Committee. M. Carroll-Alfano** reported the following:
- Total Members = 354 (338 in 2020)
    - Life Members = 23 (19 in 2020)
    - Full Members = 261 (259 in 2020)
    - Student Members = 70 (60 in 2020)
    - BC-ANCDs Members = 56 (55 in 2020)
    - (Data as of September 2021)
  - Membership is up slightly in all categories compared to last year.
  - Student Fellowship
    - 14 Fellowships awarded
    - Made alternative plans for the Student Fellowship to fit into the Virtual Scientific Meeting format
      - Student Fellows meeting during Scientific Meeting
      - Care packages sent to the Student Fellows
  - Worked with other committees on membership survey
  - Membership survey poll open

- 5.8. Nominations Committee. J. Patterson** reported the following:
- President-Elect: Lynn Maher
  - Secretary: Deanna Britton
  - Members at Large:
    - Ellyn Riley
    - Jessica Galgano

- 5.9. Professional Affairs Committee. H. Clark** reported the following:
- ANCDs is partnered with 29 Related Professional Organizations (RPOs)
  - Collaborating with the Communications Committee to transition to social media focused partnerships
  - Published/presented in RPO venues, including SIG 2 Perspectives, and the Pennsylvania Speech-Language Hearing Association

#### **5.10. Ad hoc committees**

##### **VA SLP Residency Program. J. Patterson** reported:

- Residency proposal submitted to VA Office of Academic Affiliations
  - OAA and VA Speech-language pathology Field Advisory Council reviewed the document and posed questions
  - Resolution and discussion meeting last week
- Target implementation for 2023

##### **Diversity and Inclusion Committee Created**

2020 Activities included:

1. Ad Hoc committee formed and began monthly meetings in March

2. Initiated a workshop on Race, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for the Executive Board (to be presented in February 2022)
3. Presenting the first ANCDS session on Race, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

**6. PRESIDENT-ELECT REPORT.** J. Patterson reported:

Thoughts on Goals for 2022 from President-Elect, C. Roth:

- Bring annual meeting back live in New Orleans next year
- Continue to deliver high quality continuing education webinars
- Increase visibility of ANCDS among ASHA members
- Continue to promote ANCDS certification among ANCDS members
- Promote goals of Diversity and Inclusion Committee across ANCDS
- Advance collaboration between ANCDS and VA Residency Program

**7. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.** J. Patterson thanked the Board and Committee members, all donors to the student fellowship program, and to Sheryle Hazard and ADS.

**8. STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS.** M. Carroll-Alfano introduced this years' ANCDS Student Fellows.

**10. ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:55. AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanna Britton  
ANCDS Secretary