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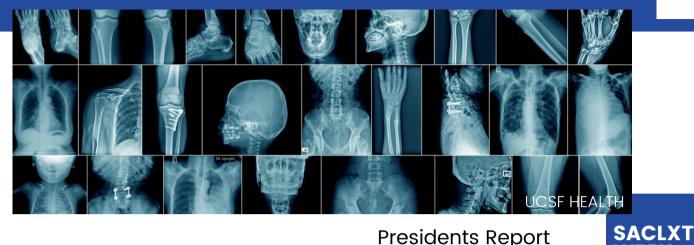


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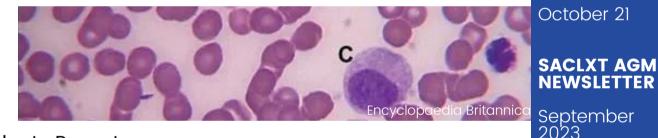
CONFERENCE



Presidents Report

It has been a busy time for the board members. One of many items that we have worked on this past year is the planning and upgrade to our 2023 conference that we hope everyone will enjoy! This year the board has been busy catching up on incomplete board business that we were not able to finalize due to the pandemic. We have also been working towards self regulation and look forward to updating the members with the progress that has been made. With conference fast approaching the board will be sending out a specific newsletter next month to cover all of the proposed bylaw and continuing education changes that we plan to bring to the members to vote on at the 2023 AGM. I look forward to seeing everyone at the fall conference!

Jessica Hinz



Vice Presidents Report

I hope you all have had a great summer so far! I have been working hard to bring you an exciting fall conference at the Saskatoon Inn on October 21st, 2023 with new conference prices, swag bags for all that register, AGM specific prize, a student specific prize, as well as numerous gifts from businesses that have donated some great items! This year we will also be offering the option of attending the conference via zoom but highly encourage all to attend in person to reconnect with old friends and new and to bring back a more enjoyable conference after the slow years of covid that we would all like to put behind us. Who doesn't want to have a day away from the hustle and bustle of our daily work lives right??

We will start our day at 0730 with registration/welcome and hot breakfast and continue with our 6 speakers that will spark interest on many topics and end at 1730 and breaks for lunch and coffee in between.

Booking for hotel rooms in now available through the following link <u>https://reservations.travelclick.com/6876?groupID=3722807</u> or call the Saskatoon Inn directly at (306)242-1440 ext.0 and ask to book under the SACLXT room block.

I will attach a separate form to be filled out for conference and for any dietary restrictions anyone may have. Please send the form back to me at the email below. Registration will also be available on our website very soon at sackt.ca and all payment will be done through e-transfer to treasurer@saclxt.ca with password conference 2023.

More details to come once we have the website set up. If anyone has any questions please email vicepresident@saclxt.ca and I hope to see you in October.

Donalee Olynick

Newsletter Report

It is my pleasure to take over the newsletter position this year and bring a new look and some fun changes to both the newsletter as you can see and hopefully the website too. This year conference is going to be DIFFERENT, FUN & EXCITING.. you will not want to miss out!!

Treasurer's Report

Hope summer is treating everyone well.

I have been working on finishing up the books for the year. Membership registration/renewal went good from my position. I would like to mention though at this time it is way more convenient to deal with electric fee transfers than cheques and to try and use this method when possible. Banks have long line ups and it is time consuming to go. So please when possible.

I always look forward to conference that is no surprise over the years. This one is also sure to please with a great line up of speakers. I hope to see you there! It is lovely to see new faces and reconnect with old friends. Enjoy what summer has left for us and see you in the fall.

Take Care; Nicole Allan



Continuing Education Report

This summer seems to be flying by way to fast, but nevertheless I hope everyone is enjoying themselves. I want to thank all the members who are continuously earning and entering their credits into their portals. With conference coming up, it is a good way to earn some of those credits, so if you are on the fence about registering please consider doing so. Also, another reminder as we head into fall that each members credits will be looked at and if you are deficient going into renewal, you will not be awarded membership until you have acquired our mandatory 20 credits per five years of membership. Thank you again for all that you do in our profession and enjoy the rest of the summer.

> Morgan Dafoe Continuing Education Director

Registrar Report

Hello everyone,

I have been learning a lot this year as the new registrar! Thank you everyone for your patience as I don't always have the answers for you right away. Registration went fairly smoothly this winter. I hope everyone is having a great summer, and getting some much needed holidays in!

Current Membership Standing:

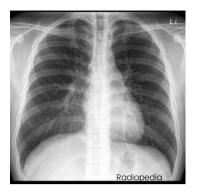
- 413 Active
- 29 Inactive
- 10 Life not working
- 5 Life working
- 17 students
- 6 New Grad
- 13 Active ACCLXT

Megan Little



COMBINED LABORATORY AND X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS ARE PROFESSIONALS DESIGNED TO FILL THE NEEDS IN RURAL HOSPITALS AND SMALLER COMMUNITIES (TYPICALLY LESS THAN 10,000 PEOPLE). SMALLER RURAL COMMUNITIES WILL ALLOW GRADUATES TO USE ALL OF THEIR TRAINING AND SKILLS. SOME CLXT GRADUATES DO FIND WORK IN PRIVATE URBAN CLINICS BUT WILL OFTEN USE LESS OF THEIR OVERALL TRAINING. IN RURAL HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CENTRES, YOU'LL USE THE FULL RANGE OF YOUR SKILLS AND PLAY AN INTEGRAL ROLE ON HEALTH CARE TEAMS. Saskotchewan Polytechnic Executive Advisor Report September 2023 Newsletter

The SACLXT Bylaws and Constitution have been revised by our lawyer for SACLXT, Merrilee Rasmussen. The Board brought forward a motion to AGM 2019 to have a revision done by our lawyer to ensure that bylaws were up to date and current. And along came Covid 19 in January 2020. Regular business was interrupted plus conferences postponed in addition to board members terms being extended, has us struggling to complete this task. Therefore, at AGM 2023, our current revised bylaws need to be presented and voted on so that we can implement the revised bylaws. Our Board has had a full plate this year. Meeting together has been a very difficult challenge that the board is trying hard to rectify by implementing zoom meetings on a regular basis. Although it is adequate for communication purposes, it does not replace in person meetings. The shortage of staff through out our members' worksites plus heavy workloads and heavy work schedules creates obstacles that our dedicated Board members are coping with. To balance work, life and board commitment is difficult and I am proud of the way our Board is working for our SACLXT membership on all of our behalf.



It remains to be my pleasure to serve SACLXT membership as Executive Advisor to the SACLXT Board of Directors. Paula Dupont

College of Physicians and Surgeons Program Management Committee September 2023 NEWSLETTER REPORT

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan is contracted by the Ministry of Health to operate the Laboratory Quality Assurance Program (LQAP). As designated in the Medical Laboratory Licensing Act and Regulations, the LQAP is responsible for the requirements and standards of Medical Laboratories in the Province. The two major components of the Program are proficiency testing and laboratory accreditation.

The Program Management Committee (PMC) is the oversight body for operations and decision-making for the program. It is made up of the chairs of the discipline-specific committees, along with representation from the Saskatchewan Association of Combined Laboratory and X-ray Technologists (SACLXT); Saskatchewan Medical Association (SMA); Saskatchewan Society of Medical Laboratory Technologists (SSMLT); and Laboratory Licensing of the Ministry of Health.

The Program has developed the following resources: Policy Manual , Guidelines for Laboratory Practice, Procedures and Guidelines for the Microbiology Laboratory. These current documents can be found on the Sask. Lab QA Website.

In person meetings have never resumed with PMC. There was one zoom meeting that took place in March 2023. Lab inspections continue throughout our Province. PMC continues to approve the final accreditation process and remains to be the focus of the PMC. Submitted by

Paula Dupont

SACLXT Rep to PMC

Medical Diagnostics Program Sask. Polytechnic September 2023 NEWSLETTER REPORT

The Program Advisory Committee for the Med Diagnostic Program at Sask. Polytechnic is comprised of faculty, Health Region stakeholder representation of Laboratory, Imaging, and Cardiology; Radiation Health and Safety, Laboratory Quality Assurance Program, Professional Association Representatives from SAMRT, SSMLT, SACLXT, ACCT. Also present are Ministry representatives from Workforce Planning and the Program Advisory Meetings took place in February 2023. There are now two PAC – one for laboratory and one for diagnostic imaging. There will only be one PAC Meeting per year now. The CLXT program is in it's final year of a 3 – year expansion of 40 CLXT students. Starting in Academic Year 2023-24 the permanent number of CLXT students is a capacity of 30 students per year with intakes beginning in January 2024. Applications for CLXT program remain strong. Applications for the CLXT program has moved to competitive admissions process. The first intake with competitive entry will begin with the January 2024 intake. Delegates attending our 2022 CLXT Fall Conference appreciated the attendance of Sask Polytechnic representatives who delivered a very informative presentation of all aspects of the CLXT Program. The information provided was much appreciated by our members. We hope they will attend yearly to keep all our members current and informed.

My term is now completed on the PAC. Our current president Jessica Hinz will now be SACLXT representative to the PAC. Paula Dupont



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