72nd Annual Congress
of the
Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards

MINUTES

Annual Business Meeting
Saturday, April 18, 1998
San Diego, California
Chair: Lawrence M. Gerstein, D.C. - FCLB President

1. Call to Order - Dr. Gerstein called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. He introduced Nancy Jones, Professional Registered Parliamentarian and noted that Donna Liewer would serve as recording secretary. The FCLB officers and district directors were also introduced.

2. Dedication to Service - Dr. Paul M. Tullio led the dedication to service.

3. Invocation - Dr. Joseph Brimhall led the invocation.

Dr. Gerstein then introduced special guests, and noted there were 45 first time attendees at this year’s conference.

4. Credentials Committee Report - Dr. Jan Harbour reported that the delegates and alternates were properly credentialed, commenting on the emerging international flavor of the Federation’s membership. Hearing no objections, the chair declared the delegates and alternates seated.

5. Roll Call - Donna Liewer called the roll.

6. Adoption of Business Meeting Rules and Protocol - Hearing no objections, the chair declared the Business Rules and Protocol adopted as presented.

7. Approval of Agenda - Hearing no objection, the chair declared the Agenda approved as presented.
8. Announcement of the Approval of the 1997 Minutes by Committee - Palm Beach, FL

The chair announced the minutes for 1997 were approved by a minutes committee composed of Drs. Wayne Wolfson (FL) - Chair, Wendy Caro (MA) and James Powell (OH). The 1998 minutes committee will be chaired by Dr. George Phillips (WY) and include Drs. James Edwards (KS) and Bud Smith (TX).

9. Business Reports

A. President - Dr. Lawrence M. Gerstein presented his report for the past year, highlighting the successes of the FCLB and expressing his appreciation to the volunteers on the board and committees, and the staff of the FCLB.

B. Treasurer / Finance Committee - Dr. Wayne C. Wolfson called the attention of the members to the financial report in the current Annual Report, reporting that the FCLB had passed a rigorous review by our CPA. He noted the FCLB is in good financial health.

C. Executive Director - Donna M. Liewer expressed appreciation to the many volunteers and the professional staff of the FCLB, referring the members to the Achievements section of the Annual Report for details.

D. Legal Report - Dr. Gerstein noted there are no current or pending lawsuits involving the Federation, directing members to the Annual Report for details on the final ruling favoring the Federation in the suit involving Network Chiropractic.

There were no questions from the floor about the business reports.

10. Standing Committees

A. Standing Committee chairs were introduced. Dr. Gerstein referred the members to reports in the conference notebook. Dr. Hal Bowen (DE) requested clarification about the reports as there were few in the notebooks. Dr. Gerstein explained that some committee appointments had only been completed recently, and all the committees have not yet had time to report. He noted other information about the committee tasks is also in the Annual Report.

B. Resolutions and Bylaws Committee

BYLAWS

Dr. Earl Barbour (NC) reported on the single bylaws change before the members which would extend the period of time after leaving active board service that an individual could be considered a Fellow. The FCLB Board recommended extending this from the current three years to five years. He noted the Bylaws & Resolutions Committee’s recommendation was PASS.

The chair called for discussion or questions. Hearing none, he called for a vote by paddle, reminding members that a 2/3 majority is required for bylaws changes to be approved. The bylaws change passed with none opposed.
RESOLUTIONS

Dr. Barbour continued with a report on the single resolution before the membership, to adopt the mission statement:

*to protect the public and to serve our member boards
by promoting excellence in chiropractic regulation.*

The resolution was offered by the FCLB Board of Directors and the Bylaws & Resolutions Committee’s recommendation was PASS.

The chair called for discussion or questions. Hearing none, he called for a vote by paddle, reminding members that a simple majority is required for adoption of resolutions. *The resolution to adopt the mission statement passed with none opposed.*

11. **Special Committees and Task Forces** chairs were introduced, and Dr. Gerstein called the members’ attention to the reports in the notebooks and Annual Report. Dr. Gerstein noted three new task forces since last year: Universal Application Form, Interjurisdictional Mobility, and Minority Issues. There were no questions for the chairs.

12. **Reports of Other Organizations to Which FCLB has Voting Representation**

Dr. Gerstein recognized the FCLB representatives to other organizations: National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Council on Chiropractic Education and its Commission on Accreditation, Congressional Oversight Committee: Chiropractic Military Demonstration Project, Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters, and the Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards.

There were no questions from the floor for these representatives.

13. **New Business**

Dr. Jerry McCarter of West Virginia reported on their new law, especially highlighting required education and experience for manipulation / adjustments. Full text of the law is available through either West Virginia’s board office or the FCLB.

Dr. Rick Cole reported on Tennessee’s successful use of Alternative Dispute Resolution techniques to resolve pending disciplinary cases, and the board requirement for NBCE Parts I, II, and III.

14. **Nominating Committee Report**

Dr. Gerstein announced that Dr. James P. Powell had been elected by District II for his first three-year term. He had been appointed previously by the Board of Directors to fulfill the unexpired term of Dr. Peter D. Ferguson, who resigned to run for the United States Congress. Dr. Powell will be seated at the close of the annual business meeting.
A. Elections of Officers - President, Vice President, Treasurer

As chair, Dr. Robert M. Vaughn gave the report of the Nominating Committee, expressing his appreciation to committee members Drs. Ron Zoeller (KS), Vincent E. Greco (NH), John DeMatte (PA) and Carl Valvo (NY).

The committee unanimously nominated Dr. Lawrence M. Gerstein of Missouri for a second one-year term as president for 1998-99.

Hearing no other nominations from the floor, the chair declared Dr. Gerstein president for 1998-99.

Dr. Vaughn reported the committee unanimously nominated Dr. David E. Brown of Virginia for a second one-year term as vice president for 1998-99.

Hearing no other nominations from the floor, the chair declared Dr. Brown vice president for 1998-99.

Dr. Vaughn reported the committee unanimously nominated Dr. Wayne C. Wolfson of Florida for his first two-year term as treasurer for 1998-2000. (Dr. Wolfson had been appointed by the FCLB Board to fulfill the unexpired term of Dr. David E. Brown last year when Dr. Brown was elected vice president.)

Hearing no other nominations from the floor, the chair declared Dr. Wolfson treasurer for 1998-2000.

B. 1999 Nominating Committee Representation

The chair reported the FCLB Board of Directors nominated two members for the 1998-99 Nominating Committee, to be approved by the membership:

Dr. W. Ray Smith (WV) was approved without opposition.
Dr. William Swanson (ND) was approved without opposition.


Dr. David E. Brown reported the following:

1999 73rd Annual Congress - District III / Philadelphia, PA
April 14 - 18, 1999 / DoubleTree Hotel - Center City
$155 single/double

2000 74th Annual Congress - District I
Seattle, WA
Hotel and date to be determined

2001 75th Annual Congress - District II
City and date to be determined
16. **Special Awards and Recognition**

Drs. Roger Pope (IL) and Vernon Temple (VT) conducted a special awards presentation recognizing new inductees into the Fellows of the International College of Chiropractors honorary society.

Dr. Frank G. Hideg, Jr., retiring president of NBCE after six years, was recognized for his support of the FCLB and chiropractic regulation.

The *Kansas Board of Healing Arts* received *Special Presidential Recognition* for their service to the public.

The 1998 FCLB award for *Outstanding Chiropractic Regulatory Board* was presented to the *Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners*.

17. **Installation Ceremony** - Dr. Frank G. Hideg, Jr., past president of the FCLB, installed the FCLB board of directors for 1998-99.

18. **Adjournment** - there being no further business to come before the assembly, *the annual business meeting was adjourned until April 17, 1999 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*.

Donna M. Liewer  
Recording Secretary