76th Annual Congress
of the
Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards

MINUTES

Annual Business Meeting
Saturday, May 4, 2002
Chicago, Illinois

Chair: Wayne C. Wolfson, D.C. - FCLB President

1. Call to Order - As chair, Dr. Wolfson called the meeting to order at 12:00 Noon. He introduced Alice Ragona, Professional Registered Parliamentarian and noted that Donna Liewer would serve as recording secretary. The FCLB officers and district directors were also introduced. It was noted that Dr. Linda Denham, District V Director, will be retiring at the end of this meeting, and that Dr. Steve Willen (NC) will be seated as new District V Director.

2. Dedication to Service - Dr. Jonathan Pomales (Puerto Rico) led the dedication to service.

3. Invocation - Dr. Brian Ashton (MD) led the invocation.

The chair then introduced special guests, including FCLB past presidents and executive board chairs, ACA and World Federation of Chiropractic representatives and various college officials. He noted that the ICA also had representatives at this week’s meetings. Finally, the chair expressed appreciation to those who traveled the farthest to be with the Federation, including delegates from Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Mexico and Canada.

4. Credentials Committee Report - Dr. Gretchen Gilbertson (NM) reported that the delegates and alternates were properly credentialed. Hearing no objections, the chair declared the delegates and alternates seated.

5. Roll Call - Donna Liewer called the roll. Based on 44 as the number of properly registered delegates present at the roll call, the chair declared 23 as the number of votes which constitute a majority, and 30 as the number for a 2/3 vote.

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 objections, the chair declared the Agenda approved as presented.
8. Announcement of the Approval of the 2001 Minutes by Committee - San Antonio, TX

The chair announced the minutes for 2001 were approved by the Minutes Approval Committee composed of Drs. Hal Bowen (DE) - Chair, Ed Weathersby (AZ) and Pam Blanchard (MT).

NOTE: The 2002 Minutes Approval Committee will be chaired by Dr. Henry W. Hulteen (SC), and include Drs. Ned Barowsky (MA) and Buckley VanBreemen (LA).

9. Business Reports

A. President’s Report - Dr. Wayne Wolfson (FL) commented on progress in the FCLB over the past year, and thanked the members, board and staff for their trust and support.

B. Treasurer/Finance Report - Dr. N. Edwin Weathersby (AZ) reported that the annual audit found the Federation to be in full compliance of required standards, and noted the report is available to any member for review. He referred delegates to the financial section of the Annual Report, noting appreciation to NBCE and ACA for generous grants and describing the other sources of income, including increased revenues from the ALLDOCS database in CIN-BAD which went on-line in August of last year.

He also reported on noteworthy expenses, particularly the costs of computer programming as the complete computer infrastructure of the FCLB continues to be restructured.

C. Executive Director’s Report - Donna Liewer drew the attention of the membership to the full report in the Annual Report, and reviewed some of the significant organizational events. She thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve as executive director for the past 12 years.

D. Legal Report - On behalf of our legal firm of Atkinson & Atkinson, the chair noted that there were no current or pending lawsuits.

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

10. Standing Committees - the chair introduced the chairs of the Federation’s standing committees and noted that committee activity is described either in the attendee notebooks or Annual Report. There were no questions from the floor for the standing committees.

11. Special Committees - the chair introduced the chairs of the Federation’s special committees and noted that committee activity is described either in the attendee notebooks or Annual Report. There were no questions from the floor for the special committees.

12. Reports of Other Organizations to Which FCLB Has Voting Representation - the chair introduced regulatory representatives who serve on the NBCE Board of Directors, CCE Board of Directors and Commission on Accreditation, Congressional Oversight Committee: Chiropractic Military Implementation Project, Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters, and Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards. There were no questions from the floor for these representatives.

13. Resolutions and Bylaws Report - Committee Chair Dr. Hal Bowen (DE) explained that no resolutions were submitted for consideration by the membership. He then reported on the process followed by the board of directors and the committee in soliciting comments and
suggestions for amendments to the bylaws, and for educational distribution of the final proposed document.

Dr. Henry W. Hulteen (SC) moved to adopt the bylaws amendments as a total package as presented, with a second by Dr. Daryl Wills (NE). The chair recognized Dr. Daryl Wills (NE) who thanked the committee and officers for streamlining the by-law process. The chair recognized Dr. Hulteen who thanked the delegates for their overwhelming support and applauded them for discarding the “me” and endorsing the “we”. The motion passed with 43 boards voting for adoption and none opposed.

On behalf of the Resolutions and Bylaws Committee, Dr. Hal Bowen moved that the Recording Secretary be authorized to correct article and section designations, punctuation, and cross-references, and to make such other technical and confirming changes as may be necessary to reflect the intent of the Federation in connection with the bylaws amendments adopted today. Passed with no opposition.

14. Nominating Committee Report - The chair noted that Dr. Steve Willen of North Carolina was elected at the fall 2001 regional meeting of District V as director to replace Dr. Linda Denham of Georgia, who is retiring. Dr. Willen is to be seated along with the rest of the board at the installation at the close of the annual meeting.

A. Elections

As Nominating Committee chair, Dr. David E. Brown (VA) reported the committee was polled by telephone on April 1, 2002, in compliance with the bylaws, to review the announced candidates for the three open offices. He noted that all candidates were qualified for the offices they sought.

He reported that the committee was unanimous in their recommendation of Dr. Wayne C. Wolfson (FL) for a second one-year term for president, commencing in 2002.

The chair called for additional nominations from the floor. Hearing none, the chair declared Dr. Wayne C. Wolfson of Florida president for a one year term, from 2002 - 2003, commencing at the close of this year’s annual meeting.

Dr. Brown continued with the report of the Nominating Committee, noting that the committee was unanimous in their recommendation of Dr. Richard L. Cole (TN) for a second one-year term for vice president, commencing in 2002.

The chair called for additional nominations from the floor. Hearing none, the chair declared Dr. Richard L. Cole of Tennessee vice president for a one year term, from 2002 - 2003, commencing at the close of this year’s annual meeting.

Dr. Brown continued with the report of the Nominating Committee, noting that the committee reviewed three candidates for the office of Treasurer, and while all were qualified, the committee was unanimous in their recommendation of Dr. N. Edwin Weathersby (AZ) for a one-year term for treasurer, commencing in 2002.

The chair called for additional nominations from the floor. Hearing none, the chair declared Dr. Patricia G. Conners-Allen (AK). Dr. Julia McDaniel nominated Dr. David Taylor (MA).

Hearing no other nominations from the floor, the chair announced the slate of three candidates. Each candidate was invited to speak for up to three minutes.

The Tellers Committee, chaired by Dr. Jeffrey Summers (WV) and including Drs. Salvatore
LaRusso (FL) and Mike Kelman (DE), distributed and collected the ballots. The count was supervised by parliamentarian Alice Ragona and legal counsel Dale Atkinson.

The chair announced that Dr. N. Edwin Weathersby was elected Treasurer for a one-year term, from 2002 - 2003, commencing at the close of this year’s annual meeting.

The chair noted that ballots would be available for inspection by any member for 15 minutes following the election, after which they would be destroyed.

B. 2003 Nominating Committee Representation

The chair reported that, in accordance with the Federation bylaws, the board of directors nominated two individuals to serve for one-year terms on the 2003 Nominating Committee, subject to the approval of the membership.

*Dr. Julia McDaniel (VT) and Dr. Steve Willen (NC) were approved by the membership with no opposition.*

15. New Business

Dr. Julia McDaniel (VT) observed that with the bylaws amendments adopted, the membership had the opportunity to elect an Executive Fellow to the new non-voting Executive Fellow seat on the Federation’s board of directors. She nominated Kevin Earle, executive director of the New Jersey State Board of Chiropractic Examiners. His nomination was seconded by Dr. Daniel Saint-Germain (Quebéc) and Dr. Oliver “Bud” Smith, Jr. (TX).

It was noted that the board administrators had taken the opportunity earlier in the week to caucus and discuss among themselves those who might be interested, and Mr. Earle had agreed to serve if nominated and elected.

The chair called for additional nominations. Hearing none, the chair declared Kevin Earle director for the Executive Fellow seat on the Federation’s board of directors for a two-year term, to commence at the close of the 2002 annual business meeting.


Dr. Wolfson expressed appreciation to the many volunteers and staff who worked on this year’s conference. He announced the calendar of fall regional networking meetings and encouraged everyone to attend.

He reported that next year’s annual meeting will be held in Orlando, Florida at the Hilton at the Walt Disney Resort April 30 - May 4, 2003, in conjunction with the World Federation of Chiropractic’s Biennial Congress.

17. Installation Ceremony

Dr. D. Brent Owens (FL), FCLB Past President, installed the FCLB Board of Directors for 2002-2003.

19. Adjournment

Hearing no further business to come before the assembly, the FCLB annual business meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m. until May 3, 2003, in Orlando, Florida.

Donna M. Liewer
Recording Secretary