

NAME OF SPECIALTY SECTION ____Ethical, Legal, Forensics, and Societal Issues_____

ANNUAL REPORT: 2017-2018

May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018

I. Officers/Committees:

<u>Officers</u>	<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>2017-2018</u>
President:	Daniele Staskal Wikoff	Judith T Zelikoff
Vice President:	Judith T Zelikoff	John Norman
Vice President-Elect:	John Norman	Marusia A Popovech
Secretary/Treasurer:	Tamara R House-Knight	Daniele Staskal Wikoff
Past President	Lynne T Haber	Tamara R. House-Knight
Councilors:	Esther M Haugabrooks	Linda G Roberts
	Robert G Tardiff	Robert G Tardiff
PDA Representative:		
GSLC Representative:	Benjamin R Kistingner	Trudi Denoon

II. Activities:

2018 SOT Annual Meeting Reception was held in San Antonio, Texas on Wednesday 12:00 - 1:30 pm, CC Room 209.

Approximately 45 people were in attendance.

Dr. Judith Zeikof called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

Business Meeting Speaker: Michael McCabe spoke on the differences between scientific standards and evidentiary standards in a courtroom.

Meeting Minutes: (see Attachment I)

Awards:

The ELFSI Student Award

Awardee: Katrina Jew

Abstract: "Ultrafine particulate matter air pollution affects reference memory and learning independent of Alzheimer's disease background.

The ELFSI Post-doctoral Award

Awardee: Kristal Rychlik

Abstract: "Prenatal and Early Life Exposure to Arsenic: Effects on Tuberculosis Pathogenesis."

2018 SOT Annual Meeting Courses/Sessions:

- Monday 12:10 - 1:30 pm, CC Room 302
Changes to the Common Rule Regulations and Implications for Human Research

- Monday 1:45 - 4:30 pm, CC Hemisfair Ballroom C3
- Marijuana Safety: Issues Facing the Regulatory, Medical, and Academic Environments
- Tuesday 1:30 - 4:15 pm, CC Room 302
- Big Data in Toxicology: How to Achieve Transparency and Reproducibility

Newsletters:

August 2018: https://toxchange.toxicology.org/p/do/sd/sid=14286#collapse_34896

Attachment 1

ELFSI Specialty Section Officers' Meeting – March 30, 2018

Attendees: Pres. Judith Zelikoff, VP John Norman, VP-Elect Marusia Popovech, Secretary/Treasurer Tamara House-Knight, incoming Secretary/Treasurer Herman Gibb, Councilor Linda Roberts, incoming Councilor Don Fox, Post-Doc Rep Nikaeta Sadekar, and Grad Student Trudi Denoon

The meeting (conference call) was called to order at 12:00 pm CT by Judy. Judy welcomed incoming officers and stated that transition of new officers is May 1.

Report of what came out of annual meeting luncheon:

- Marusia, Linda and Don stated the speaker and audience participation were good
- Don mentioned that he thought the round tables used during the luncheon decreased social interactions and suggested having high-top tables at the next meeting
- Judy stated that the luncheon was well attended and suggested that next year have the speaker present for only 15 minutes to allow for more Q&A

Program Sub-Committee

- Judy stated that around 25-30 signed-up to participate on the sub-committee and asked the group how many executive members and at-large members should form the sub-committee
 - Norm stated that according to the specialty section by-laws, the VP is to chair any committees and then chose other members
 - Marusia stated that she wanted to make sure that those selected were right for the position
 - Don stated that members on the sub-committee should be high energy and committed; also encompass all areas of ELFSI
 - Linda stated that she would be interested in being on the sub-committee
 - Judy stated that a mission statement for the sub-committee should be developed: review, rank and discuss submitted proposals and work with submitters to get proposals accepted on the program
 - Marusia suggested 3 at-large members; Judy suggested 4 to make it an odd number in the instance that a tie-break is needed; Don agreed that 4 at-large members should be chosen and emphasized that these members could be groomed for future leadership positions
 - Linda suggested sending out an email to solicit proposals for those not in attendance at this year's meeting

Drop-Box for ELFSI

- Judy asked if others thought a Drop-box account for ELFSI would be a good idea to save information that could be easily accessible by new officers
- Norm mentioned that he thinks SOT HQ would like to put everything relating to specialty sections on the ToxChange and that all emails (with attachments) that go through the listserv are stored on ToxChange
- It was determined that a Drop-box account was not needed

New Agenda Items

- Marusia asked that the officer's contact list that Tamara has sent out in the past be updated and resent to all officers
- Linda suggested that a newsletter be sent out to all members highlighting the activities during the year (i.e. luncheon speaker, award winners, etc)
 - Judy will write-up President Note
 - Marusia will write-up award winners
- Judy mentioned that one of this year's award winners also won an award in several different specialty sections. She suggested abstract submitters be limited to award consideration by one specialty section or not a previous winner
- It was mentioned that the award guidelines will be updated to be more specific about requirements for award consideration including being members of SOT
- Don suggested that a committee be formed to solicit funds in order to offer a monetary award to increase specialty section visibility

Judy stated that this was her last call as President and handed over duties to Norm.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:43 pm CT.