

The Microcirculatory Society, Inc.

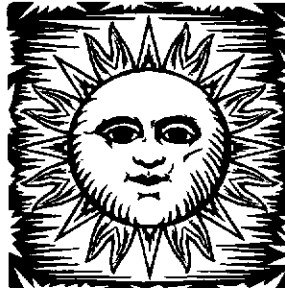
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After July 1, please see Page 7

President's Message

Ron Tuma

The Society remains in excellent condition despite a year of incredible difficulties and hardships. This is due to the extraordinary efforts of the officers and committee members of the society. They all deserve our most sincere thanks. The combination of problems with our previous publisher and the failure of the Management Service to perform the functions promised have presented serious impediments to the well-being of the Society. Bruce has done an exceptional job in guiding us through the storm. The dedication and commitment of Mary and Paul in their respective roles as Secretary and Treasurer have helped keep things together in a very difficult time. We are all indebted to them. The other individuals that have contributed beyond the call of duty are too numerous to mention. One individual must, however be recognized for his truly heroic efforts on behalf of the Society. This individual is Bob Gore. Bob's efforts in creating, and maintaining the Web Site are in themselves remarkable. He has also agreed to take on the additional burden of helping to establish a reliable database for our membership. I would like to thank Bob, on behalf of everyone in the Society for all the time and effort he has put into these critically important jobs.

During the coming years the Society will be faced with significant opportunities and challenges. I am confident that we are again entering a time when there will be increasing demand for research related to the microcirculation. The Society will continue to represent the individuals that are at the forefront of these efforts. Among the challenges that we will face are the ability to retain our identity as a unique research group and to maintain the traditions of our predecessors. In my opinion the most important accomplishment of the society has been the outstanding job the members have done in mentoring young scientists. It is crucial that we retain this tradition and that our activities are always designed to keep this function a priority. A second important challenge that we will face in recovering from the failure of the firm that was managing the Societies records, dues collection and other functions. The decision to employ an outside professional firm to manage the Society seemed at the time to be a good idea but in retrospect turned out to be a disaster. A decision was made at the Council Meeting that we would, at least during a period of recovery and transition, move to self management. Paul McDonagh and Bob Gore are spearheading these efforts. It is important that ev-

everyone makes a concerted effort to provide all the information necessary to establish appropriate data bases. It is also critically important that everyone is current in their dues payments. This has become increasingly important because of the commitments the Society has made regarding the number of member subscriptions to "Microcirculation". Your cooperation in these areas is essential.

I think we all can take heart in the opportunities that the future will offer to the Society. We will increasingly take advantage of technologic changes to enhance the exchange of ideas, interaction of members, and management of society functions. I look forward to the opportunity of working together will everyone during the coming year.

Past-President's Message

A few notes from Bruce Klitzman

1. At the International Liaison Committee for Microcirculatory Societies meeting in Paris, The Microcirculatory Society proposed to host the Eighth World Congress for Microcirculation in North America in conjunction with the 2005 IUPS meeting in Washington, D.C. This is one year ahead of the typical five year cycle. Some concern was expressed that since the Seventh World Congress in Australia will be held in "conjunction" with the 2001 IUPS meeting in New Zealand, a precedence is being set to have the World Congresses regularly aligned with the IUPS. It was specifically stated that this concern is justified, but that it is not the intent to have this association of meetings on an ongoing basis. The International Committee voted in favor of this proposal. With the acceptance of our proposal in mind, we will entertain detailed proposals at the next annual business meeting (anticipated to be in April in San Diego) from those individuals seeking to Chair the Eighth

World Congress for Microcirculation meeting to be held in conjunction with the 2005 IUPS meeting currently scheduled for August 7-12 in Washington, D.C. Please be prepared to present specific proposals, including such details as costs of registration and housing, planned scientific program, likely social activities, external funding, and other aspects of the meeting.

2. With the changes in the By-Laws, we must begin planning our annual meetings three years in advance. The Chair of the Long-Range Planning Committee is given the responsibility of contacting other societies with whom we may want to meet narrow down co-hosts, sites and dates. At the meeting in San Diego, we will discuss possibilities for the 2002 annual meeting (EB'02 is scheduled for New Orleans). Any suggestions for this important decision may be forwarded to Bruce Klitzman at klitz@duke.edu.

A Big Thank You!

*To Fine Science Tools for Their Financial
Contribution to our Society Awards.*

It is greatly appreciated!

Minutes of Society Business Meeting - April 16, 1999

The Business meeting was called to order at 4:10 P.M. in the Room 38 of the Washington Convention Center by Bruce Klitzman.

The minutes of the 1998 Business meeting previously published in the June Newsletter were approved.

Information was provided on the status of the Society Web Site being managed expertly by Bob Gore. He is to be commended for his efforts. Bruce informed the membership that there will be a searchable directory on the Web site in late June and he requested that all members check it to assure that it is correct. Included with this database will be a field to indicate dues status and that needs to be checked as well. It is vital to the future of the Society that the eroded database of members be recompiled and it will take the efforts of the entire membership to accomplish this in a timely fashion.

Bob Gore will continue to Chair the Communications Committee and will also take on the responsibility as Chair of the Membership Committee to hopefully aid the database reconstruction.

Paul McDonagh provided the Treasurer's Report, a copy of which can be found on page 5.

Mary Ellsworth informed the membership that as of June 30, 1999 when our relationship with Associated Management ends, the Society will return to self-management. She reaffirmed the need for the Society membership to assist the officers as much as possible. She also indicated that within the next year or so it would be desirable for the Newsletter to be dispersed electronically although any member who wishes to receive a paper version would be able to do so.

Bruce reported on the efforts of the Development Committee. It is clear that they need to work diligently at obtaining Corporate sponsorship for awards etc.

Historical Committee - Bruce suggested that we make an effort to update the history of the Society. He also indicated that there are available in the Academy of Medicine a number of microcirculation films, many of which were donated by the Society although the Academy would not let us borrow them for even a day for this meeting.

Nomination Committee - New officers of the Society, President-elect: Walter Duran, Secretary, Mary Ellsworth, Councilors, Jeff Falcone and William Mayhan.

Awards Committee - Landis Award: Dr. Marcos Intaglietta; August Krogh Young Investigator Award: Dr. Travis W. Hein with a second place award given to Dr. Jefferson Frisbee. There were no nominations for either the Travel Award for the Crone award.

Future Meetings:

2000 with EB in San Diego

2001 with EB in Orlando. In addition, the World Congress will be held in Sydney Australia in August of 2001. The membership approved the 2001 meeting in Orlando unanimously.

2002 - The Long Range Planning Committee will explore options

2005 - MCS is hosting the World Congress to be held in conjunction with the next IUPS meeting in Washington, D.C. Proposals for hosting this need to be made ASAP. They should be sent to the Chairman of the Long Range Planning Committee who is the current Past President, Bruce Klitzman. It will be important to coordinate with IUPS to minimize overlap.

The Changes to the By-Laws which were published in the Winter Newsletter were approved unanimously.

Publications Committee - Ingrid Sarelius reported that the new editor, Neil Granger, is in place and has put together a very efficient editorial office. She thanked Mary Gerritsen for her efforts in the start up of the Journal. Two awards have been made this year in conjunction with the Journal, the Gerritsen award for the most cited review article went to Dr. Paul Kubes with the Curt A. Wiederhielm Award for the most cited paper going to Drs. Samina Kanwar and Paul Kubes. Bruce indicated that there has been discussion of increasing the number of issues published per year from 4 to 6. This would decrease turn-around time, and increase acceptance by libraries. The final decision lies with the Publisher although Chris Rawlins from Stockton indicated that it was really a joint decision rather than at the Publisher's discretion. In order for the Journal to publish 6 issues rather than 4, more funds need to be made available which will require an increase in the cost for the members of \$20.00 per year. Thus, full members would pay \$90.00 a year instead of the current \$70.00. A motion was made to approve the

increase. It was seconded. There was some discussion as to the necessity to increase the number of issues. Neil Granger indicated that it would decrease the time following acceptance to publication. Gabor Kaley questioned if there were a sufficient number of high quality papers to warrant an additional issue. Neil Granger indicated that there were and that he had not gone out soliciting manuscripts because of the lack of space. The motion to increase the dues by \$20.00 if the decision is made to increase the number of issues from 4 to 6 is made was approved unanimously.

Liaison committee reported that the IUPS meeting in St. Petersburg, Russia was a financial disaster due to the absconding of funds by the organizers. One million dollars disappeared. Since IUPS has no funds of its own, the member Societies have been requested to help make up the deficit. Bruce reported that Council approved the requested \$6000 contribution to the fund with the stipulation that a listing be made of who paid and who did not among world member Societies.

Carol Gervin sent a letter indicating that the North American Society of Lymphology has been dissolved. According to their By-Laws, the remaining in the Society Assets need to be allocated. They have proposed that these funds (\$3,599.42) be donated to the Microcirculatory Society for the purpose of funding an award for excellence in Research to a single junior investigator to recognize outstanding lymphatic research. Conditions associated with this transfer of funds are spelled out in a formal proposal. One of the conditions is that a manuscript reporting this research be published in the Society Journal, Microcirculation. Council agreed to accept the money with a single change to the proposal that being that the manuscript need only be submitted for publication thus leaving acceptance in the hands of the editorial office.

Wendy Chaite, President of the Lymphatic Research Foundation made a presentation describing lymphedema and other lymphatic pathologies with the goal of encouraging research efforts into this devastating condition. She provided a handout to the membership for all those interested.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15.

Respectively Submitted,
Mary L. Ellsworth, Secretary

New Members

Regular Members:

Paul A. Fraser, Kings College - London, UK
Wolfgang M. Kuebler, St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital,
New York, NY
Wenyan Li, SUNY Health Sciences Center, Brooklyn,
NY
Soichiro Miura, National Defense Medical College,
Saitama, JAPAN
Julian Panes, Hospital Clinic, Barcelona, SPAIN
Mauro Perretti, The William Harvey Res. Inst., Lon
don. UK
Christopher Ross, Kansas State Univ, Manhattan, KS
Leona J. Rubin, University of Missouri, Columbia
Rolando E. Rumbaut, Univ. of Missouri, Columbia
Thomas L. Smith, Wake Forest University, Winston-
Salem, NC
Ji Song, University of Virginia, Charlottesville
Tao Zheng, SUNY Health Sciences Center, Brooklyn,
NY

Associate Member:

Touichi Kawabe, University of Louisville, KY

Student Member:

Steven H. Platts, Texas A&M Univ., College Station



MICROCIRCULATORY SOCIETY TREASURER'S REPORT Final: April 13,1999

Submitted by Paul McDonagh, Treasurer

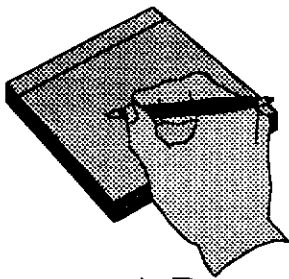
MCS Assets as of 1998 Meeting: \$229,142.81

Name	Purpose	Receipt	Expenditure
MCS Council	MCS Retreat Reimbursement		445.30
Perfect Palate	MCS Reception		4495.32
	1998 MCS Meeting Expenses		8941.01
	Weiderheim Award (old publ didn't pay)		1000.00
Deposit	Sale of Reception Tickets	3060.00	
Deposit	1998 Dues	5560.00	
Deposit	1999 Dues	17318.42	
Deposit	2000 Dues	30.00	
Milwaukee Bank	Cashed in CD #2		84159.74
Deposit in Chk Acct	CD #2	84159.74	
Vanguard	Invest in Asset Allocation Fund		60000.00
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ITPI	TSCI Editor's Fees for Journal	1875.00	
Gretchen Ferrante	1998 Journal Management Exp		16549.00
Simon et al Attorneys	Settlement of Kluwer Issue		3403.86
Robert Gore	MCS WEB Page Management		209.00
ITPS	Journ revenues fr non-members	11725.31	
Stockton Press	Transfer revenues to Stockton		11725.31
Stockton Press	Microcirc Vol 5 No 1 565 copies		4237.50
Stockton Press	Microcirc Vol 5 No 2&3 565 copies		8475.00
Stockton Press	Microcirc Vol 5, No 4		4200.00
Stockton Press	Microcirc.Vol 6, No. 1 214 copies		1605.00
Stockton Press	Journal Management	15000.00	
Stockton Press	Donation for Award	1000.00	
Lauren Vander Key	Operating Budget for Journal		3000.00
Lauren Vander Key	Compensation for J Management		7500.00
Simon et al Attorneys	Journal Attorney's Fees		249.00
Associate Editors	Operating Budget for Journal		7500.00
Neil Williamson & Staker	CPAs Inc Tax Return for 97-98		695.00
MCS	4 Banquet Tickets for Awardees		200.00
Deposit	MCS 1999 Banquet Tickets	5800.00	
Fine Science Tools	Donation for Award	500.00	
AMS	Management Fees for 1998		4200.00
Secretary's Account	Secr and Pres. Expenses		144.29
Bruce Klitzman	Closed out 'Secretary's' Acc't		257.71
Bruce Klitzman	Transfer from 'Secr'. Acc't	257.71	
Savings Acct	Interest Earned 4/98-3/99	3535.22	
Vanguard Acct	Earnings 4/3/98-3/30/99	7103.93	
CDs	Earnings	6059.83	
Total:		222985.16	233192.40

MCS Assets	As of	Amount
MCS Checking Acct.king Acct	Phone Call 4/13/99	\$40,163.74
MCS Savings Acct	Statement 3/31/99	\$36,007.54
Certificate of Deposit	Phone Call 3/5/99	\$72,000.30
Vanguard Asset Alloc.	Phone Call 3/30/99	\$77,199.00
Total Assets	As of 1999 Meeting	\$225,371.03
<i>Pending \$10,000 from APS, FASEB</i>		

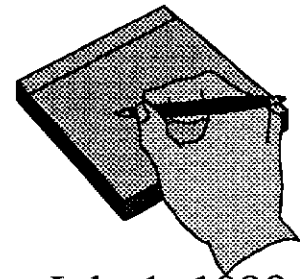
Microcirculatory Society Committees 1999-2000

Committee Members	Term	Telephone number	Committee Members	Term	Telephone number
<u>Executive Council</u>			<u>Membership</u>		
Frederick Miller	(00)	502-852-7562	Bob Gore (C)	(02)	520-626-6569
Thomas Skalak	(00)	804-982-0270	Donald Buerk	(00)	215-898-9097
Edward Messina	(01)	914-594-4099	Lih Kuo	(00)	409-845-7482
James Faber	(01)	919-966-4453	John Barker	(01)	502-852-4675
Jeff Falcone	(02)	502-852-5384	Robert Hester	(01)	601-984-1816
William G. Mayhan	(02)	402-559-5329	Mike Davis	(02)	409-845-7819
<u>Awards</u>			<u>Liason</u>		
Harvey Mayrowitz (C)	(02)	305-674-3175	Virginia Huxley (C)	(00)	573-882-8069
Fay Hansen-Smith	(00)	248-370-3574	Mary Ellsworth	(00)	314-577-8236
Richard Schaeffer, Jr.	(00)	520-629-4962	Bruce Klitzman	(00)	919-684-6686
Steven House	(01)	973-761-9052	<u>Long-Range Planning</u>		
Irving Joshua	(01)	502-852-5371	Bruce Klitzman (C)	(09)	919-684-6686
William Joyner	(02)	423-439-4999	Julian Lombard	(08)	414-456-8530
<u>Finance</u>			Virginia Huxley	(07)	573-882-8069
Paul McDonagh (C)	(00)	520-626-2329	Gerry Meininger	(06)	409-845-7491
Russell Prewitt	(00)	804-446-5105	Fitz-Roy Curry	(05)	530-752-1973
Antal Hudetz	(00)	414-456-5622	Roland Pittman	(04)	804-828-9545
Odile Mathieu-Costello	(01)	619-534-2790	Herbert Lipowsky	(03)	814-865-1407
Bruce Klitzman	(02)	919-684-6686	Neil Granger	(02)	318-674-6011
<u>Development</u>			Jim Bassingthwaight	(01)	206-685-2005
Herb Lipowsky (C)	(02)	814-865-1407	Harris Granger	(00)	409-845-7816
Jan Schnitzer	(00)	617-667-3577	<u>Program</u>		
Richard Klabunde	(00)	609-893-1016	Walter Durán (C)	(00)	973-972-4372
Ronald Korthuis	(01)	318-675-6028	Kathryn Lamping	(00)	319-339-7019
Mark Dewhirst	(01)	919-684-4180	Donna Wang	(00)	409-772-7644
Mary Gerritsen	(02)	650-225-8297	Donald Buerk	(01)	215-898-9100
<u>Historical</u>			Mark Clemens	(01)	704-547-4040
Aubrey Taylor (C)	(00)	334-460-7004	Art Ritter	(02)	973-972-4397
Bob Gore	(01)	520-626-6569	<u>Publication</u>		
Paul Johnson	(02)	619-534-5686	Ingrid Sarelius (C)	(00)	716-275-7729
<u>Nominating</u>			Andrew Greene	(00)	414-456-8532
Roger Adamson (C)	(00)	530-752-2180	William Jackson	(00)	616-387-5631
Thomas Skalak	(01)	804-982-0270	Maria Siemionow	(01)	216-444-2405
Sara Yuan	(02)	817-899-2270	Roland Pittman	(02)	804-828-9545



Secretary's Corner

IMPORTANT!



A Return to Self-Management Effective July 1, 1999

As of July 1, 1999, Associated Management Service will no longer be serving as our agent. Therefore, as we return to the realm of self-management in July, you, as members need to be aware of the following. Paul McDonagh, our Treasurer, will be sending out dues notices and receiving checks at his office in Arizona. As Secretary, I will be responsible for the other details unrelated to finances. We would both appreciate your cooperation in making this transition as smooth as possible.

You are all aware that our membership records need to be recompiled. For this, we need you all to help us as it is a daunting task to say the least. Bob Gore with the help of Paul McDonagh and Mrs. Holly Lopez are reconstructing it, diligently checking records. If you are aware of anyone who has been lost in the management fiasco, please let us know. If anyone who is a member is not receiving the Newsletter, please have them contact us. Currently on the Web site under **membership** is a form for updating/entering your information. We are working very diligently on this task and appreciate your assistance. In early July, the current membership directory will be up on the Web at <http://microcirc.org>. Please check it to see if you are listed. Make any corrections to your entry which are necessary. If you are missing, use the available form and enter your information. If the information is correct, please indicate that as well. You will also be able to check on your dues status at that time. If you have not paid your dues please send your check to Paul McDonagh. It is also important that we have your correct E-mail address so that we can provide you with up-to-date information about the Society including notification of when the Newsletter is available on the Web for your perusal.

Listed below is information on how to reach the Society Officers. We would all appreciate your cooperation in communicating with us via E-mail if at all possible. We all check our E-mail on a regular basis and will respond as quickly as possible. Certainly, if there is an urgent question or something which requires discussion, we will be happy to address that via phone although we are all a bit difficult to reach that way.

President: Ron Tuma
phone: (215) 221-3248
tumarf@astro.ocis.temple.edu

Secretary: Mary Ellsworth
phone: (314) 577-8236
ellsworthm@slu.edu

Treasurer: Paul McDonagh
phone: (520) 626-2329
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By-Laws

The Microcirculatory Society, Inc

approved at the Society Business Meeting, April 16, 1999

ARTICLE I. Microcirculatory Society

Section 1. The name of this organization is The Microcirculatory Society, Inc. (hereinafter known as the Society). The official abbreviation for the name is MCS.

ARTICLE II. Purposes

Section 1. The purposes of the Society are to promote an increase in knowledge of the microcirculation and associated phenomena of the blood and other extracellular fluids of the body, and the utilization of such knowledge. The interchange of knowledge, ideas and data can be realized through publication and interaction at national and international scientific meetings.

ARTICLE III. Membership

Section 1. The Society shall consist of regular members, student members, associate members, emeritus members, honorary members, supporting members, and sustaining members.

Section 2. Regular Members. Any person who has contributed to the increase in knowledge of the microcirculation, and is presently engaged in such work, shall be eligible for election to regular membership in the Society. Except in unusual circumstances, a regular member shall hold a doctoral degree. A regular member may attend and participate in the business meetings of the Society and is entitled to one vote.

Section 3. Student Members. Any person who is engaged as a full-time graduate student in a recognized University program, and is actively involved in research on the microcirculation or associated phenomena shall be eligible for election to student membership in the Society. Except in unusual cir-

cumstances, a student member shall not hold a doctoral degree. A student member may attend and participate in the business meetings of the Society, but shall not have the right to vote.

Section 4. Associate members. Individuals who are interested in and engaged in work related to the microcirculation, but who do not meet the requirements for regular or student membership, shall be eligible for election to associate membership. Associate members may attend and participate in the business meetings of the Society but shall not have the right to vote.

Section 5. Emeritus Members. On approval by the Council, a regular member, after 20 years of regular membership or on retirement from regular employment, may, upon his or her written request, become an emeritus member. Emeritus members may attend and participate in business meetings of the Society and shall have the right to vote.

Section 6. Honorary members. Individuals who have distinguished themselves by outstanding contributions in the study of microcirculatory phenomena may be elected honorary members by a special act of commendation. Honorary members may attend and participate in the business meetings of the Society, but shall not have the right to vote.

Section 7. Supporting members. Any regular member who voluntarily contributes \$50.00 or more annually over and above the dues of regular members shall be denoted a supporting member.

Section 8. Sustaining members. Individuals and organizations that have an interest in the purposes of the Society and wish to contribute to its support may be invited by the President, with the approval of the Council, to become sustaining members. Any such membership may be terminated by the President with the approval of the Council. Sus-

taining members may not attend or participate in business meetings of the Society and shall not have the right to vote.

Section 9. Nomination and election of members. Two regular members of the Society shall join in written proposal of the person for regular, student, or associate or honorary membership on appropriate forms provided by the Secretary. The Membership Committee shall receive these proposals and refer them with its recommendations to the President for approval. Those persons whose proposals are approved by the President shall be nominated for election to membership by a ballot of the Council. A two-thirds (2/3) majority positive vote by Council shall be required for election.

ARTICLE IV. Officers

Section 1. Council. The management of the Society shall be vested in its Council (all of whom must be regular members of the Society), with powers of direction, consisting of the President, President-Elect, immediate Past-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and six additional regular members elected by the members by mail written vote of the membership. The President and President-Elect shall not succeed themselves after having served a full term. The terms of President and President-Elect shall be for one year. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected to two-year terms and these officers may succeed themselves for one term. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected on an alternating year basis, and the terms of the six additional elected Councillors shall be three years, so elected that only two Councillors are elected each year. Councillors may not succeed themselves to serve consecutive terms. All terms of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting of the Society which follows the mail written ballot for election. The Council, by majority vote of its remaining qualified members, shall fill any interim vacancy in the office of the President-Elect, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Clerk, and may fill a vacancy of a Councillor. The term of office of a person elected to fill an interim vacancy shall expire following the tally of a mail written ballot

to elect his/her successor.

Section 2. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee of the Society shall be defined as the principal officers, namely the President, the President-Elect, the Past-President, the Secretary and the Treasurer. They shall attend to the ordinary running of the Society, making the decisions required for its smooth functioning. All major decisions shall be subject to the approval of Council or the full membership.

Section 3. President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Council and business meetings of the Society, and shall be an ex-officio member of all standing committees, and shall have other duties as prescribed in the appendix of these bylaws. The President, after consultation with the Council, shall appoint members of the standing committees where called for in these bylaws.

Section 4. President-Elect. The President-elect shall plan the Annual Meeting of the Society, and undertake other such duties as may be delegated by the President. The President-Elect shall become the next regular President of the Society after completion of the regular term as the President-Elect. In the absence or during the disability of the President, the President-Elect shall have all of the powers and perform all of the duties of the President. Any service as an interim president of the Society shall not reduce the term of the President-Elect as the next regular President of the Society.

Section 5. Past President. The immediate Past President shall chair the Long-range Planning Committee and shall review, and where needed, recommend revisions of the Society's Bylaws, as described in Article X, Section 2.

Section 6. Secretary. The Secretary shall give bond to the Society, if required by the Council, for the faithful performance of his/her duties. The Secretary shall have custody of all documents and papers belonging to the Society (except his/her own bond which shall be kept by the President) and shall

safely keep the same, and disburse the orders and rules of the Council. The Secretary shall have custody of a bank account to meet the day-to-day operational expenses of the Society. The Secretary shall give notice of all meetings as required by the bylaws, send out the various customary mailings to the membership, and shall inform the membership whatever the President or Council desires. The Secretary shall also keep a complete list of the name, title and address of each member of the Society. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Council and of Business Meetings of the Society and shall have other duties as prescribed in the Operations Manual. In the absence of the Secretary, the President shall appoint a temporary secretary to record the minutes.

Section 7. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall give bond to the Society, if required by the Council, for the faithful performance of his/her duties. The Treasurer shall have custody of all monies (except a bank account to meet the day-to-day operational expenses of the Society), debts, obligations, contracts, and other property belonging to the Society (except his/her own bond which shall be kept by the President) and shall safely keep the same, and shall collect all properties and all monies from time to time due and owing to the Society. The Treasurer shall be chair of the Finance Committee to disburse the provision of Article VI, Section 4 of these bylaws.

Section 8. Clerk. The Clerk shall be a resident of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and need not be a member of the Society. (The office is required as a condition of incorporation by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.) The duties of the Clerk of this Society shall be those required by the statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Such duties, to the extent permitted by law, may be assigned to others by the Council. The Clerk shall be appointed annually by the President of the Society, and may serve in the Council and Business Meetings, without vote except as a member of the Society.

Section 9. Nomination and election of Officers and

Councillors. Nomination for all Officers and Council members of the Society will be obtained by mail, fax, or e-mail on or before December 1 by requesting the membership to propose nominees. The request for nominations will be made in the Society Newsletter preceding the December 1 deadline. Nominations will be sent to the Secretary or to the Chair of the Nominating Committee. For each office, the two persons (who agree to stand for election) with the highest number of nominations will be included on the ballot. In years in which two members of the Council are to be elected, a total of not more than four nominees will be included on the ballot. Once the nominations are complete, each member will receive and return by mail, fax, or e-mail the ballot of officers and Council members. The ballots will be returned to the Secretary or to the Chair of the Nominating Committee for tabulation and determination of outcome. In the event that a majority vote for a given office is not obtained by written vote, a secret ballot election will be held as part of the next annual business meeting.

ARTICLE V. Council

Section 1. Management of the Society. The property and affairs of the Society shall be managed and conducted by the Council with powers of directors. The members of the Council shall serve without compensation and shall be called Councillors.

Section 2. Qualifications, Elections and Vacancies. Specified in Article IV, Section 1 and Section 9.

Section 3. Meetings. At least one regular meeting of the Council shall be held during each annual meeting of the Society members, and for this regular meeting no notices shall be required. Other meetings of the Council shall be held as often as the needs of the Society may require. They may be held at regular intervals determined by the Council, or they may be called by the President or any three members of the Council. The Secretary shall notify each Councillor of each meeting of the Council. Notice of any meeting may be dispensed

with if each member of the Council, by writing filed with the records of the meeting, waives such notice. No notices shall be required to be given of any adjourned meeting of the Council.

Section 4. Quorum. A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn any meeting from time to time, and a meeting may be held as adjourned without further notice. A majority vote of Councillors in attendance (unless otherwise specified elsewhere), with each entitled to one vote, shall decide any question brought before the Council, except that a majority of the qualified Councillors shall be required for temporarily filling a vacancy of an office. In the event of a tie vote, the President shall then be entitled to two votes.

ARTICLE VI. Standing Committees

Section 1. Standing Committees. Standing committees and their Chairs shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the Council. The term of all standing committee members, except as otherwise provided elsewhere, shall be for three years. However, on adoption of these bylaws, the term shall be one, two, or three years for various committee members, as determined by the Council, so as to provide continuity of committee operation. Emeritus, Honorary, and Sustaining members may be appointed from time to time for terms up to one year. Sustaining members so appointed shall not have the right to vote. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. Guidelines for committee operation shall be approved by Council.

Section 2. Membership Committee. A Membership Committee, composed of three or more regular members of the Society, shall receive and review proposals for nomination to membership, and shall recommend regular, associate, and student nominees for membership to the Society according to Article III, Section 9.

Section 3. Finance Committee. A Finance Com-

mittee consisting of the Treasurer (who shall Chair the Committee) and two or more regular members appointed by the President shall receive and evaluate the impact of the various proposed budgets, shall determine the budgets and make recommendations and shall recommend a budget to the Council. This Committee shall supervise the capital investments of the Society, subject to the full authority of direction by the Council.

Section 4. Nominating Committee. A Nominating Committee shall consist of three or more regular members, none of whom shall simultaneously be an officer of the Society or the immediate Past-President. This Committee shall obtain nominations and conduct elections for officers and councillors as prescribed in Article IV, Section 9.

Section 5. Liaison Committee. The Liaison Committee shall consist of the President (who shall serve as Committee Chair), the MCS representative to the US National Committee for the International Union of Physiological Sciences (USNC for IUPS), the MCS member appointed liaison to the European Societies of Microcirculation, the MCS members appointed to the International Liaison committee, and the Secretary of the Society, and may include any other members at the pleasure of the President. This Committee shall maintain communication with scientific organizations that have interests in common with the Society, and shall officially represent the Society in the international community.

Section 6. Long-range Planning Committee. The Long-range Planning Committee shall consist of the ten (10) most recent Past-Presidents and shall be chaired by the immediate Past-President of the Society. This committee shall consider all aspects of society affairs to identify major issues of importance to the Society and to recommend future strategies, plan meetings for the Society for a minimum of 3 years in advance of the next annual meeting, and new policy directions for society function.

Section 7. Development Committee. The Devel-

opment Committee shall consist of three or more regular members of the Society. This committee shall seek new supporting and sustaining members of the Society, and shall consider and recommend fund-raising activities for Council consideration. Upon request of the President, this committee shall implement Council-approved fund-raising activities on behalf of the Society.

Section 8. Historical Committee. The Historical Committee shall consist of three or more regular members of the Society. This committee shall seek, identify, and obtain information, documents, films, and other items which have historical significance to the Society. This committee shall maintain updated lists of past officers and recipients of Society Awards.

Section 9. Awards Committee. An Awards Committee, composed of six regular members, shall solicit from the voting membership the names of candidates for any awards that the Council has authorized. After selection of the candidates is made by the Awards Committee, the names of the candidates shall be approved by the President and the Council prior to any announcement of the awardees. Announcements of the winners of awardees should be made known to voting members of the Society prior to the Annual Society scientific meeting.

Section 10. Program and Meetings Committee. The Program Committee shall be chaired by the President-Elect of the Society, serving a 1 year term. Members of the Committee shall be appointed for 3 years, by the President. The Committee shall: a) follow up on the recommendations to Council and the membership from the Long Range Planning Committee for the meeting(s) proposed for at least three years in advance. ab) Serve as the liaison to the program committees of other societies or associations with whom the MCS may meet; bc) Make recommendations, to be approved by the Executive Committee of the MCS, with respect to: program style and format, commitments to other societies, local arrangements, appointments to the program committees of umbrella as-

sociations.

Section 11. Publications Committee. The Publications Committee shall consist of a Chair and at least two other members of the Society, appointed by and responsible to the Council of the Society. The Chair of the Committee is an ex-officio member of Council, without vote. The President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Society are ex-officio members of the Committee, without vote. The duties are to oversee the journals and other publications of the Society, particularly with respect to the scientific quality of the journals and the fiscal interests of the Society. They shall appoint Editors and editorial boards, prepare an annual summary report and an annual financial report, and in general, manage the publications of the Society under the policies determined by Council. The ownership of the title "Microcirculation" and the copyright of material published in the journal shall be held by MCS. The term of the Publications Chair will be set to provide continuity during the time that contracts with publishers are negotiated or Editors of the Journal are chosen. When these decisions are being made, the term will likely be for two consecutive years.

The Editor of the journal will be appointed by Council for a five year term and no individual will serve more than two consecutive five year terms.

The appointment of Editor will be at the recommendation to Council by a committee which will consist of the Publications Committee plus the President of the Society. The Chair of the Publications Committee will chair this committee.

The Editor will nominate the Associate Editors and the Editorial Board. These appointments will be submitted to Council for approval. The Editorial Board members will be appointed for a two year term with one third of the Editorial Board being ineligible for reappointment to a consecutive term. All members of the Editorial Board must be members of MCS.

Section 12. Representative of the MCS to the US

National Committee of the International Union of Physiological Sciences. This position is to be filled by an appointee of the President of the MCS. The appointment is for three years, or four, designed to fit with the time interval between IUPS Congresses. The appointee should be a senior member of the Society, suitable to represent the Society's interests in international planning not only of scientific meetings but in providing international leadership in science and education. Reappointment for a second term is allowable, in accord with IUPS committee rules.

Section 13. Representative of the MCS to the European Societies for Microcirculation (ESM). This position is to be filled by an appointee of the President of the MCS. The appointment is for three years, or four, designed to fit with the requirement of ESM. The appointee should be a senior member of the Society, who participates in the European Microcirculatory Society meeting, suitable to represent the MCS's interests in international planning not only of scientific meetings but in providing international leadership in science and education. Reappointment for a second term is allowable, in accord with ESM rules.

Section 14. Representatives of the MCS to the International Liaison Committee. These three positions are to be filled by appointees of the President of the MCS. The appointment is for three years, or four, designed to fit with the time interval between World Congresses. The appointees should be senior members of the Society, suitable to represent the Society's interests in international planning not only of scientific meetings but in providing international leadership in science and education.

Section 15. Communications Committee. The Communications Committee shall consist of a Chair and at least three other members of the Society, appointed by the President of the Society for up to three year terms. This committee shall be responsible for the oversight of the Society's web page. The Society web site address, microcirc.org, is the property of MCS. The

committee's other primary function is to coordinate with the Program and Meetings committee, the Liaison Committee, the Publications Committee, as well as the parties who collect directory, dues, and newsletter information, to keep the membership informed of MCS activities. The Communications committee will develop an annual report and budget for review by Council.

Section 16 Other Committees. The President may appoint temporary (ad hoc) committees as desired. The term of office of these temporary committees shall end with the next annual business meeting of the Society following such appointment, or earlier as the President desires.

ARTICLE VII. Dues

Section 1. Annual Dues. Dues for members, in accordance with Article III, shall be proposed by the Council but shall be determined by majority vote of those voting at the annual business meeting of the Society. Dues shall be paid October 1 for the current fiscal year and shall be in arrears on December 31. Special assessments may be proposed by the Council but shall be determined by majority vote of those voting at the annual business meeting of the Society.

Section 2. Non-payment of Dues. Any member whose dues are one year in arrears shall cease to be a member and become an inactive member of the Society, and will be notified by the Treasurer. An inactive member will not receive the journal and will be ineligible to vote. If an inactive member is in arrears for an additional year, he/she may reactivate membership in the Society by payment of all outstanding dues. The Treasurer shall notify the delinquent of the right to request reinstatement of membership at least one time after dues are two years in arrears before they cease to be a member of the Society.

Section 3. Emeritus Members. A regular member who has been granted emeritus membership will be relieved from dues payment for the current and subsequent fiscal years.

ARTICLE VIII. Meetings of Society Members

Section 1. Annual Meeting of Members. The Society shall hold an annual meeting of members, for the transaction of business, and for presentation of scientific communications and related activities. Such annual meetings shall be held each year at a time and place designated by the Council and approved by the membership. The time and place for the annual meeting shall be chosen at least eleven months in advance at an annual business meeting. The place, day, and hour shall be specified in the notice of any meeting of the Society.

Section 2. Special Meetings of Members. Special meetings of members shall be called by the Secretary or any other officer upon the request of the President or the Council or on the written request of one-quarter of the members entitled to vote. The current list of members with their addresses shall promptly be made available to any member entitled to vote, on request, but shall not be utilized by anyone for purposes not directly pertaining to the business of the Society without the written permission of the President.

Section 3. Notice to Members. Notice of all a meetings of the members shall be made known to each member not less than 30 nor more than 180 days before the meeting, but no notice shall be required if every member entitled thereto, or his/her attorney thereunto, authorizes, by a writing which is filed with the records of such a meeting, a waiver of such notice.

Section 4. Quorum for Annual and Special Meetings. At all meetings of members of the Society, 40 regular members, present in person and entitled to vote, shall constitute a quorum, but less than a quorum shall have power to adjourn from time to time until a quorum be present. No member shall cast a ballot by proxy at any meeting of the Society.

Section 5. Parliamentary Authority. The rules con-

tained in Roberts Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the conduct of the business meetings of the Society in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the bylaws or special rules of order of the Society.

ARTICLE IX. Miscellaneous

Section 1. Prohibitions. Notwithstanding any provision of these by laws which might be susceptible to contrary interpretation:

a. The Society is organized and operated exclusively for scientific and educational purposes.

b. No part of the net earnings of the Society shall accrue to the personal benefit of any member except as provided by the Society awards (Article VI, section 9).

c. No substantial part of the activities of the Society shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence local, state, or national legislation, except with respect to science policy or to other special issues such as the obligations to perform biological experimental studies. The Society shall not participate in or intervene in any campaign of any candidate for government public office.

d. No substantial part of the activities of the Society shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence local, state or national legislation. The Society shall not participate in or intervene (including publishing or distribution of statements) in any campaign of any candidate for governmental public office.

e. The Society is not organized for, nor is it to be operated for profit.

f. The membership list of the Society shall not be supplied to anyone for any purpose except as provided under Article VIII, Section 2, or except as specifically provided by Council.

Section 2. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the So-

ciety shall end with the 30th day of June of each year.

Section 3. Audit. All statements of net assets and related statements of income, expenditures, fund capital, and liabilities shall be audited annually in accord with the statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The audit will be made annually by the Finance Committee and every third year by an independent auditing firm.

Section 4. Term of Office. Where a term of office is stated in years, a year is to be considered as extending from the end of one annual business meeting to the end of the following one.

Section 5. Operations Manual. The Secretary of the Society shall maintain an operations manual providing outlines of procedures found useful by the Executive Council and Committees of the Society.

ARTICLE X. Amendments.

Section 1. Amendments. These bylaws may be amended, altered or repealed at any business meeting of the Society members by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the regular members in attendance or by mail ballot of the Society members by a vote of three-quarters (3/4) of the regular members and entitled to vote, provided notice of the proposed repeal, alteration or amendment, with a statement of the substance thereof and of the Articles to be affected thereby, is given in the call for the meeting. Approved bylaw changes will be added to the published bylaws by the immediate Past-President as stipulated in Article IV, Section 5.

Section 2. The Past-President shall review the Society Bylaws, incorporate approved changes following the annual business meeting of the Society, and submit a complete copy of the Bylaws to the President at least 3 months prior to the next annual meeting. Any proposed changes that require Council and membership approval shall be presented in a complete copy of the Bylaws, labeled with proposed revisions. All words and

phrases deleted from existing approved Bylaws shall be indicated by a horizontal line through them. All new words and phrases shall be indicated by continuous underlining or italics.

New Society Award Announced

We are pleased to announce that the Microcirculatory Society will present a new award at the next meeting for excellence in lymphatic research by a young investigator. Details will be presented in the next Newsletter. We would like to thank the former North American Society of Lymphology for their generous contribution to our Society in sponsorship of this award..

Society Banquets, Past and Future

I would like to Thank Dr. Greg Bulkley of John's Hopkins for his assistance in arranging the wonderful banquet at the Cosmos Club in Washington D.C. It was a fascinating place and I think all who attended had a great time. We all thank you.

For the next meeting in San Diego, I would like to request that the "locals" think about places in the San Diego area which would be appropriate for our banquet next year. **Any and all suggestions would be greatly appreciated.** Please send them to me at: ellsworthm@slu.edu.

Thanks!