

Report of the Nominating Committee

The 1980-81 Nominating Committee was charged with conducting an election for President-Elect, Secretary-Treasurer, three Members-at-Large, two members of the Publications Board, and one member of the Distinguished Lecture Committee.

The Committee asked for suggestions and volunteers for nominations at the 1980 Convention at Banff, Alberta. Those names combined with those available from previous lists and surveys were added to those recommended by members of the Nominations Committee. The master list created from these sources were sent to Committee members for an indication of preferences, and then for a second round in which members were asked to rank-order the lists. This process began in August, 1980, and took several months.

Because of a number of complications, delays, and refusals of various nominations the nominating process went on into February, 1981, before completion. The result of the process was a strong list of candidates, although there was a suggestion that the slate did not have sufficient female representation.

The nominees were: President-Elect—Alan Metcalfe and David Voigt; Secretary-Treasurer—Ron Smith; Members-at-Large—Bruce Bennett, Gerald Glassford, Richard Keller, Roberta Park, Michael Salter, and Alexander Young; Publications Board—William Baker, Thomas Jable, Harry Jebsen, Marc Onigman; Distinguished Lecture Committee—Maxine Hunter and Janet Russell.

The election process went on until May, 1981, and there were once again a few problems with the mails. Those elected were: President-Elect Alan Metcalfe; Secretary-Treasurer Ron Smith; Members-at-Large Bruce Bennett, Roberta Park and Michael Salter; Publications Board William Baker and Thomas Jable; Distinguished Lecture Committee Maxine Hunter. A total of 139 ballots were cast.

The Chairman of the Nominations Committee would like to apologize to all candidates for failing to notify them of those results by mail before the Annual Convention. But the late date of the election deadline, combined with the slow moving mails and a pressing schedule for the Chairman of the Committee all collaborated to produce the delay. All candidates will however be receiving notification of the results by mail, and their willingness to serve the organization is greatly appreciated.

The Chairman would also like to request that a comprehensive survey of the membership be conducted in the next mailing, concerning willingness to serve in the various offices and on the committees of NASSH, and for recommendations for nominations. Any suggestions for improvement of the work of this committee from the membership would be welcome.

Submitted by,

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