

# House of Delegates

### **REPORT OF THE**

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

ON

## **NOMINATIONS FOR ASHP TREASURER**

June 9, 2019

Boston, Massachusetts

This year, our Treasurer, Dr. Thomas J. Johnson, will complete his term in that office. Accordingly, and pursuant to section 4.1.3 of the Bylaws, the Board hereby submits two names as nominees to the office of Treasurer. As provided in section 7.4.1 of the Bylaws, ASHP members will elect by majority vote a Treasurer to a three-year term of office.

Through announcements in various ASHP communications, the entire membership was advised of the forthcoming opening in the Treasurer's office and recommendations and expressions of interest were solicited. That solicitation outlined the formal duties of the Treasurer and summarized other qualities that the Board would consider in selecting the most qualified nominees.

To facilitate selection of the nominees, the Board formed a committee consisting of Todd Karpinski (Chair), Kathleen S. Pawlicki, Linda S. Tyler, Paul C. Walker, and Paul W. Abramowitz. The committee met on March 13, 2019, via teleconference and reviewed the qualifications of members who had agreed to be considered as candidates, and selected two candidates. The Board of Directors approved the slated candidates on April 11.

The role of the Treasurer is unique among the Board members and selection of these nominees involved special consideration of these unique responsibilities. In addition to serving as a member of the Board and providing leadership to the profession, the Treasurer is specifically charged with significant and specific fiduciary responsibilities for financial oversight of ASHP and, thereby, the ability of this organization to serve the needs of the profession.

The Treasurer must be an active member and able to perform the duties of a Director, as set forth in article 5 of the Bylaws. Therefore, it is important that a nominee possess those qualities of commitment, leadership, vision, professional awareness, and intellect necessary for being a member of the Board, including:

- professional experience, involvement, vision, and perspective;
- communication and motivational skills; and
- involvement in ASHP and affiliated state societies.

Because of the uniqueness of the Treasurer's position in the governance process, additional assessments must be made. The Treasurer serves as the financial planner and overseer of ASHP under the obligations set forth in section 4.5 of the Bylaws. Under the Bylaws, the Treasurer must be able to:

- oversee conservation and prudent investment of ASHP assets;
- assure that expenditures are in accord with program priorities;
- approve internal controls relative to management and handling of funds;
- inform the Board and membership about ASHP's financial needs and projections;
- oversee ASHP activities to assure budget objectives are met; and
- serve as Chair of the Committee on Finance and Audit.

The Treasurer of ASHP also serves as Treasurer of the ASHP Research and Education Foundation.

Finally, the Board assessed those intangibles that would permit the Treasurer to balance technical financial capabilities with professional vision, so as to permit this person to serve as a cornerstone

of the Board. Among the qualities are:

- credibility with members, Board, and staff;
- ability to interrelate substantive ASHP policy, goals, objectives, and financial issues;
- willingness to commit the time to do the job;
- a sensitivity to membership needs and wants, and to practice; and
- ability to assess and evaluate the details of financial management of ASHP.

The Board's job was a difficult one because selection of the nominees involved matters of degree, not the mechanistic application of a formula. We are confident that our nominees are outstanding; both have the capacity to provide financially responsible and responsive leadership.

Your Board is pleased to place in formal nomination two members for election as the Treasurer of ASHP, Roger W. Anderson and Christene M. Jolowsky.

**Roger W. Anderson, M.S., Dr.P.H., FASHP** (anderson.roger183@gmail.com) was Head of the Division of Pharmacy, MD Anderson Cancer Center, 1978–2004. He was Senior Vice President and Chief Pharmacist, Medco, 2004–2009, and Chief Pharmacy Officer, US Oncology, 2009–2012.

He received his pharmacy degree from Ferris State University in 1964, obtained an M.S. from The Ohio State University in 1968, and completed his residency at Grant Hospital in 1967. He earned a Dr.P.H. from The University of Texas in 1997.

Anderson has served ASHP in several roles, including President, COSHP (1970); President, OSHP (1973); ASHP Board of Directors (1983–86); and President, ASHP (1987–88). He was President of the Texas Board of Pharmacy in 2002. He was awarded the Harvey A.K. Whitney Award in 1992 and an Honorary ASHP Membership in 2015 and currently serves on the ASHP Foundation Board.

#### Statement:

Throughout my practice career, and continuing today, I believe in and strive for excellence in well-managed pharmacy operations and patient-oriented clinical patient care. I fully support the granting of provider status for pharmacists. I support the process of pharmacists obtaining BPS certification in the variety of specialty areas. While my specific career positions have been in the administrative area, I have focused an equal priority on building high-impact practice and clinical programs. Throughout my career, and continuing today, I support and continue to be involved with residency training — both administrative and clinical. I also support and participate in a variety of clinical and practice research. Based on my past early research on occupational exposure to hazardous drugs, I continue involvement with ongoing research with a passion to further improve the handling of hazardous drugs. I fully support and have a personal history of membership and leadership in professional organizations on a local, state, and national level. I have a passion for and current role in the development of future leaders in health-system administrative and clinical practice. This includes the increased involvement and future roles for pharmacy technicians.

Christene M. Jolowsky, B.S.Pharm., M.S., FASHP (ciolowsky@gmail.com) is Director, Hennepin Healthcare System, Minneapolis. She completed her B.S.Pharm. and M.S. in Pharmacy Administration at the University of Minnesota, along with an ASHP-accredited administrative residency at the University of Minnesota Hospital. She is an Assistant Professor at the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy.

Jolowsky has led teams around patient safety and clinical service initiatives. Her expertise is in clinical and operational performance improvement. Key accomplishments

include promoting technicians, student and residency training, and expanding the roles and scope of pharmacy practice.

Jolowsky's service to ASHP includes serving as President and on the Board of Directors; President, MSHP; and chairing several councils, committees, and task forces for ASHP and local and state health-system chapters. Jolowsky received the 2009 Distinguished Service Award for ASHP's Section of Pharmacy Practice Managers and MSHP's Hallie Bruce Award in 2005.

#### Statement:

"Describe yourself in three words ..." This provides insight into how a person thinks, their priorities, and how others see them. The responses can help decide a candidate's fit with the team. These are words I would use —

As a Candidate: Passionate. Persistent. Optimistic.

- My focus is on obtaining the resources needed to support pharmacy's role in care. This means continually advocating for and constantly looking at opportunities. I seek to expand pharmacist and technician roles in all areas that impact our patients.

As your Treasurer: Alignment. Advancement. Resourcefulness.

Our decisions around resources must align with the goals and direction of the organization.
Thoughtful deliberations will assure resources meet current needs, maintain flexibility for new opportunities, and support a sustainable foundation.

As an ASHP Leader: Patients. Members. People.

 This is the core of ASHP's strategic plan. Our work connects directly to the patient; we as members provide the care; and ASHP's staff support this work.

Today's decisions impact our organization's and profession's future. Our Board deliberations must align with strategic goals, to assure balance with financial resources and demands. Thank you for the opportunity to serve the ASHP team as Treasurer. I am optimistic about pharmacy's future!