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SHEA Board Meeting

The SHEA Board met Sunday, September 29, 1991, and the SHEA Annual Luncheon was held Tuesday, October 1, 1991—both in Chicago, Illinois, during the Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy (ICAAC).

At both meetings, SHEA Secretary William Mar-tone, MD, reported on the SHEA election results (see the October SHEA News) and Treasurer Bruce Hamory, MD, summarized the state of SHEA finances.

President C. Glen Mayhall, MD, presented SHEA highlights for 1990-1991, which included: the development of a profitable relationship with our journal; the preparations for annual meetings in 1992 (Baltimore, Maryland), 1993 (Chicago, Illinois), 1994 (New Orleans, Louisiana), 1995 (San Diego, California), and 1996 (Washington, DC); the plans for two educational course offerings in 1992; the creation of a Membership Committee charged with developing membership recruitment and retention strategies and improving services to members; and the contractual arrangements with Talley Management Group.

Dr. Mayhall noted SHEA's extensive involvement in acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) policy issues (see the October *SHEA News),* the initiation of a freestanding newsletter, and the development of several position papers, some of which have already been published (human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] -infected healthcare workers), are about to be published (medical waste), are soon to be submitted (surgical wound infections), or are still in committee (quality assurance).

In addition, at the Board meeting, committee reports were presented by the Publications, Education, Membership, Annual Meeting, AIDS, Quality Assurance, Surgical Wound Surveillance, Nominating, and Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations Manual committees. More detail on these committees (and on our liaisons with 20 other societies, government agencies, and interest groups) will be presented in the next edition of our *Newsletter*

SHEA Annual Scientific Meeting

The SHEA Annual Meeting will be held April 12-14, 1992, in Baltimore, Maryland. An invitation to submit abstracts to the meeting, and an abstract form and instructions appeared in the November *SHEA News.*

If one abstract form is not enough (or if your dog ate your last issue of the journal or if you want another form for its historical importance), you may request additional copies of the form and instructions by writing our headquarter's office at 875 Kings Highway, West Deptford, NJ 08096, or by calling (609) 8451636.

The deadline for receipt of abstracts is January 7, 1992.

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