

**PA History Society
Archival & Website Committee
ZOOM Conference Call Minutes
October 9, 2023**

Trustees Participating: Robin Hunter-Buskey, DHSc, CPHP, CCHP, CDCES, PA-C,
Captain USPHS
Deb Munsell, DHSc, PA-C, DFAAPA
Sophi Leah Scarnewman, PA-S
Rich Vause, DHSc, MPAS, PA-C, FCPP, DFAAPA, *Chair*
Steve Wilson, PA-C, *President*

Excused: Bill Kohlhepp, DHSc, PA-C, DFAAPA

Staff Participating: Lori Konopka-Sauer, *Managing Director*
Tricia Marriott, *Historian*
Michelle Schabowski, *Senior Archivist*

Committee Chair Rich Vause called the meeting to order on October 9, 2023, at 7:03pm, and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Committee Chair Vause reviewed the materials that Senior Archivist Schabowski had compiled and emailed to the committee members regarding the status of completed and in-progress biographies and oral histories for 2023. He reminded the Archival & Website Committee members of the goal he set for everyone to write three BIOS this year to increase the number of interesting and inspiring biography stories to the Society's collection by more than 10% each year.

President Wilson mentioned that he had conducted an oral history interview with twin brothers, Blair and Fred Sadler, regarding their early involvement in the PA profession. He added that this was the first interview the Society had conducted with them together.

Dr. Vause shared the questions that President Wilson had originally drafted to be used as an alternative to requesting a CV or using the PAHx BIO Sketch Form when initiating a request with someone to draft their biography. President Wilson and Committee Chair Vause both agreed that it is often a quicker process to email questions to an individual and begin drafting their BIO from their answers. Student Trustee Scarnewman added after she conducted an oral history interview, it was a simpler process for her to draft the individual's BIO after reviewing the recorded interview. Trustee Munsell noted that she is currently completing biographies for Steve Shelton and Marie Gilbert.

As the discussions ensued, Chair Vause inquired about if the Society's collection had a copy of the University of Utah's 50th Anniversary publication which featured David Sundwell and his involvement in HRSA. Senior Archivist Schabowski confirmed that the featured in the University of Utah's 50th Anniversary book that Don Pedersen had donated. Dr. Vause said that he was in the process of preparing to conduct an oral history interview and draft a biography with Dr. Sundwall and would like to link to the Utah article in his BIO.

President Wilson shared his appreciation for the number of biographies and oral histories completed this year. He said that much work now needs to be done on recording more recent history and the PAs that are making a difference and having an impact on the profession today. Historian Marriott agreed on making the interviews and biographies more relevant and engaging to the younger generation of PAs.

Closing Comments

With no further discussions, Chair Vause adjourned the conference call at 7:45pm.