1. Meeting Called to Order

Gilbert R. Upchurch, Jr., MD, President, welcomed the members of the Society for Clinical Vascular Surgery (SCVS) to the 47th Annual Business Meeting of the SCVS in Boca Raton, Florida. He called the meeting to order at 12:50 pm.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2018 Annual Business Meeting

Dr. Upchurch noted that the minutes of the March 19, 2018 Annual Business Meeting had been electronically circulated to the Membership in advance of the meeting.

It was moved, seconded, and VOTED to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2018 Annual Business Meeting as presented.

3. Report of the President

Dr. Upchurch thanked the Council for an excellent year of work on behalf of the Society, and other members who contributed a large amount of time and hard work to making the 2019 SCVS Annual Symposium a success. He gave special thanks to Dr. Samuel Money of Mayo Clinic (Phoenix, AZ) for being the Distinguished Visiting Professor, and further thanked the International Panelists of the 2019 program: Dr. Hans-Henning Eckstein (Munich, Germany) and Dr. Victor Costache (Grenoble, France). He reminded the Membership of the International Panelists being given Honorary Membership in the Society which had been the protocol for a number of years.

4. SVS Reports

- **Journal of Vascular Surgery (JVS)**

  As they had a representative present, Dr. Upchurch called upon Dr. Peter Gloviczki, also a Past President of the SCVS, to provide an update on activities of the journal. Dr. Gloviczki gave his report and answered questions.

5. Report of the Secretary

Dr. Upchurch called upon Jean Bismuth, MD to the podium to deliver the Report of the Secretary.

Dr. Bismuth reported that the SCVS has 979 Active members, 41 Honorary members, 2 Inactive members, 278 Senior members and 270 Candidate members for a total membership of 1,570. Dr. Bismuth reminded the Membership that the 2019 SCVS Fellows Program participants will automatically receive Candidate Membership as having participated in that program. This would bring the SCVS Membership to approximately 1,650 when including those from the Fellows Program, and while the other Candidates who are now eligible for Active status are upgraded. He further thanked Dr. Palma Shaw and the other members of the Membership Committee for their work in that upgrade effort.
Dr. Bismuth then reported that the 2019 Annual Symposium had advance professional registration of 462 with an additional 28 onsite registrations for a total of 490. He added that there were a total of 22 exhibitors at the 2019 Annual Symposium.

Dr. Bismuth then reported the Necrology of the SCVS for the period since the last Annual Member Business Meeting. A moment of silence was observed.

Dr. Upchurch thanked Dr. Bismuth and asked for a Motion to accept the Secretary’s Report.

It was moved, seconded, and VOTED to accept the Secretary’s Report as presented.

6. Report of the Treasurer

Dr. Upchurch then called upon Sean P. Roddy, MD to deliver the Report of the Treasurer.

a. Financial report for the period ending February 28, 2019

Dr. Roddy opened with a reminder that, as the SCVS Fiscal Year ended the prior September, the financials being reported reflected only those as of February 28, 2019; as of that date the SCVS had $1,141,822 in total assets with $744,162 in the checking account. He noted that total reserves in the investments account that the SCVS has with MEDIQUIS Asset Advisors and Charles Schwab stood at $357,660 as of the end of February.

Total Receipts were $645,150 and Total Disbursements were $164,762 as of the end of February. Dues and Initiation receipts were $47,642 and Meetings & Education realized income was $292,750 as of the end of February which included grants received to date in support of the Fellows and Incoming Fellows programs. Initial expenses for the 2019 Annual Symposium were $58,625 as of the end of February but the total expenses for both the meeting and the peripheral educational programs will not be realized until after the conclusion of the meeting in Boca Raton.

Dr. Roddy also reported that SCVS had again been successful in obtaining a good level of industry support for the 2019 Annual Symposium and thanked all industry supporters, including the 22 exhibiting companies who were at this meeting, for their overall support.

Dr. Upchurch thanked Dr. Roddy and asked for a Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report.

It was moved, seconded, and VOTED to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented.


Dr. Upchurch then called upon M. Ashraf Mansour, MD to deliver the Report of the Recorder.

Dr. Mansour summarized manuscript submissions to the Journal of Vascular Surgery (JVS) from authors who presented at the SCVS Annual Symposia as follows:

204 manuscripts had been submitted to the JVS to date with 128 accepted, 83 published, 2 currently with the author under revision, 70 rejected, and 3 currently under review.

Dr. Upchurch thanked Dr. Mansour and asked for a Motion to accept the Recorder’s Report.

It was moved, seconded, and VOTED to accept the Recorder’s Report as presented.
8. Reports of the Committees

a. Constitution & Bylaws Committee

Dr. Upchurch then called upon David A. Rigberg, MD to the podium to give a report for the Bylaws & Constitution Committee.

Dr. Rigberg reported that the committee had drafted a bylaws amendment which had been approved by the Council and was electronically circulated to the membership prior to the meeting in Boca Raton. The amendment addresses the involvement of Candidate members on the committees and was shown on a slide for the members to view.

It was moved, seconded, and VOTED to adopt the proposed Bylaws revisions.

b. Membership Committee

Dr. Upchurch then called upon Palma M. Shaw, MD to the podium to give the Membership Committee report.

Dr. Shaw reported the membership committee has continued an aggressive membership recruitment campaign, with a special focus on the Candidate to Active upgrades and as shown earlier by Dr. Bismuth. She noted how a large increase from Candidate to Active over the last year had been obtained and with over 400 upgrades being made. She also provided recommendations from the Membership Committee on how they planned to enhance SCVS membership in the near future and noted that these had already been shared with the leadership. Dr. Shaw and her committee where congratulated again on their hard work.

c. Program Committee

Dr. Upchurch then called upon Alik Farber, MD to the podium to give the Program Committee report.

Dr. Farber began by thanking everyone for coming to the 2019 SCVS Annual Symposium in Boca Raton, Florida. He reported that the SCVS had presented another outstanding program with attendance of over 450 physicians as noted earlier. He detailed the presentations and thanked the members of the Program Committee for an excellent job; Drs. Duncan, Faries, Mansour, Hardouin, and Upchurch. Dr. Farber extended additional thanks to the Poster Competition moderators. He recapped that the committee received over 300 abstracts this past year, critically reviewed and scored the abstracts online, and selected papers for full-length presentations, mini presentations, and moderated electronic poster presentations.

Dr. Farber also recognized the excellent work of Dr. Rockman in developing the two Focused Sessions, and Drs. Rowe, Moore, & Oderich for the excellent Special Interest Group breakfast sessions and those who moderated. In conclusion, he thanked Dr. Mitchell & Timaran for being the Co-Chairs on the SCVS Fellows Program, Drs. Schermerhorn and Lee for their work on the SCVS Incoming Fellows Program, Drs. Chaer and Cayne for their work with the SCVS Young Vascular Surgeons Program, and Drs. Robinson and Sheahan for their work on the SCVS Vascular Top Gun Competition. Dr. Farber also acknowledged the greatly appreciated support of the meeting by industry, particularly those who were the larger supporters of these various special programs.
Dr. Farber also took this time to note that at least one podium presentation in Boca Raton had recently been presented at another meeting and that author was asked to not present to which they had agreed. He added that some investigation on this repeated issue would be underway in the upcoming weeks.

Dr. Upchurch thanked Dr. Farber for a job well done on the 2019 Annual Symposium.

9. Reports of Representatives

Dr. Upchurch called upon each of the SCVS Representatives to the following affiliated organizations, who were in attendance, to the podium and their respective reports and added discussion is summarized as follows:

a. Society of Vascular Surgery (SVS)

Thomas C. Bower, MD announced the new SCVS Representative to the SVS would be William J. Quinones-Baldrich, MD. He recapped the recent meetings of the SVS leadership and answered questions.

b. American College of Surgeons (ACS) Advisory Council for Vascular Surgery

Dr. Upchurch announced that Ellen D. Dillavou, MD would be the new SCVS representative to the ACS and that there were no further updates at this time.

c. American Board of Surgery (ABS), Vascular Surgery Board

As he had been more familiar with details on the latest operations, Dr. Upchurch called Dr. Mansour back to the podium to report on that activity; Drs. Mansour and Upchurch both then answered questions.

d. Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC) Vascular Testing Board

Joann M. Lohr, MD reported details of recent meetings of this division of the IAC on behalf of Dr. Dawson, who was not present, and answered questions. She then announced the new representative to succeed her would be George H. Meier, MD.

e. Intersocietal Accreditation Commission (IAC) Accreditation Division

Alan M. Dietzek, MD and Dr. Dillavou collectively reported details of recent meetings of this division of the IAC. They then answered questions.

10. Old Business

Dr. Upchurch reminded the members present that the next Annual Symposium of the SCVS will be held March 14-18, 2020 at the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach in Huntington Beach, California and he hoped to see everyone there.

Dr. Upchurch then called for any additional Old Business and there was none presented.
11. New Business

a. Election of New Officers and Council Members

As its Chair, Dr. Upchurch reported on behalf of the Nominating Committee that they had convened twice and, after extensive review, were nominating the following slate:

- President: William D. Jordan, Jr., MD
- President-Elect: Caron R. Rockman, MD
- Vice President: Sean P. Roddy, MD
- Secretary: Jean Bismuth, MD
- Treasurer: Vincent L. Rowe, MD
- Recorder: M. Ashraf Mansour, MD
- Member-at-Large: Colleen J. Moore, MD
- Member-at-Large: Gustavo S. Oderich, MD
- Member-at-Large: Marc L. Schermerhorn, MD
- Chair – Constitution & Bylaws Committee: Mahmoud B. Malas, MD
- Chair – Membership Committee: William P. Robinson, MD
- Chair – Program Committee: Peter L. Faries, MD
- Chair – Finance Committee: Vincent L. Rowe, MD

Dr. Upchurch then asked for nominations from the floor.

After hearing none, it was moved, seconded, and VOTED to accept the slate as presented by the Nominating Committee.

b. Induction of New President

William D. Jordan, Jr., MD was called to the podium to accept the gavel as incoming President and to express any thoughts at this time. On behalf of the SCVS Dr. Jordan noted his appreciation to Dr. Upchurch for his hard work for the Society, and presented him with a PowerPoint facsimile of an engraved Chair which will be sent to Dr. Upchurch’s office commemorating his service to the Society.

c. Inaugural Comments by the new SCVS President - William D. Jordan, Jr., MD

Dr. Jordan commented that he was looking forward to the coming year and shared initial thoughts on what he was planning.

Dr. Jordan then announced the following SCVS members as his new Committee appointments:

- Constitution & Bylaws Committee: Kristina A. Giles, MD
- Finance Committee: Mohammad H. Eslami, MD
- Membership Committee: Ellen D. Dillavou, MD
- Program Committee: Karen Woo, MD
- Incoming Fellows Program Co-Chair: David A. Rigberg, MD
- Top Gun Competition Co-Chair: Benjamin J. Pearce, MD
11. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the SCVS Membership, the Annual Business Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Bismuth, MD
Secretary