



Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 18th, 2020
Virtual Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: 3:00 pm

Approval of Minutes of 2019 Annual Business Meeting (ABM) and the 2020 ABM Agenda

1. President's Report – Rob Spinner – AACA President

a. 2020 Election Results

Rob announced the winners of the 2020 AACA election.

- Sarah Green is the new Association Secretary
- Gilbert Willett is the new Special Councilor - Allied Health
- Vaughan Lee and Kazzara Raeburn are our new Councilors-at-Large

b. 2021 Election – Positions open to the AACA Membership in 2020

- a. President-elect (1)
- b. Special councilor – Anatomical Services (1)
- c. Councilors-at-large (2)

c. Presidential Committee Appointments

Rob updated the membership regarding the committee appointments and elections.

Anatomical Services Committee

Anatomical Services Councilor, ex officio

Ex Officio: James Coey

Presidential Appointees

2018-2021: Bobbi Morgan, **Technical Chair**

2019-2022: Eileen Kalmar, **Academic Chair**

2020-2023: Nirusha Lachman

Members Elected at Annual SIG Meeting of Committee

2018-2021: Scott Barton

2019-2022: Kelsey Byers

2020-2023: Amanda Collins

Bylaws Committee

Presidential Appointees (2020-2022)

Kathleen Bubb, **Chair**

Mathangi Gilkes

Ameed Raouf

Elected Members-at-Large (2020-2021) - One year term

Two members to be elected during business meeting

Career Development Committee

Presidential Appointees

2018-2021: Estomih Mtui

2019-2022: Kirsten Moasio

2020-2023: Quentin Fogg

Members Elected at Annual SIG Meeting of Committee

2018-2021: Eiman Abdel Meguid

2019-2022: Adam Wilson

2020-2023: Padma Gadepally

Clinical Anatomy Terminology Committee

Clinical Councilor, ex officio

Koichi Watanabe

Presidential Appointees

2018-2021: Paul Gobee

2018-2021: Evan Goldman, **Chair**

2019-2022: Brad Martin

2019-2022: Ian Whitmore

2020-2023: Chelsea Lohman-Bonfiglio, Co-chair

2020-2023: Richard Tunstall

Members-at-Large

2018-2021: Noel Boaz

2018-2021: Amy Mork

2019-2022: Efrain Miranda

2019-2022: Sara Sulaiman

2020-2023: Anthony Weinhaus

2020-2023: Alexandra Wink

Educational Affairs Committee

Presidential Appointees

2018-2021: Priti Mishall, **Chair**

2019-2022: Lela Giannaris

2020-2023: Dolgor Baatar

Members-at-Large Elected at Annual SIG Meeting of Committee

2018-2021: Saskia Richter

2019-2022: Krista Johansen

2020-2023: Haley Nation

Financial Affairs Committee

Treasurer ex officio, Chair (non-voting)

Anthony D'Antoni

Presidential Appointees (2020-2023)

Beom Sun Chung

Lonie Salskowski

Elected Member-at-Large (2020-2021) - One year term

One member to be elected during business meeting

Journal Committee

AACA Past President, *ex officio*, Chair

Marios Loukas

AACA President

Robert Spinner

AACA Treasurer

Anthony D'Antoni

BACA President, *ex officio*, Vice-Chair

Peter Dangerfield

Publisher's Representative (non-voting)

Jinnie Kim - Wiley

Editor-in-Chief *ex officio* (non-voting member)

Shane Tubbs

Presidential Appointee (2020-2023)

Kazzara Raeburn (KRaeburn1@sgu.edu)

Membership Committee

President-Elect, *ex officio*, Chair

Tom Gest

Past President, *ex officio*

Marios Loukas

Presidential Appointee (2019-2021)

Rachael George

Presidential Appointee (2020-2022)

Jim Foster

Nominating Committee

Presidential Appointees (2020-2021)

Anthony D'Antoni, **Chair**

Jorge Lazareff

Elected Members-at-Large (2020-2021)

Three members to be elected during business meeting.

d. State of the Association

We had a great deal of momentum after the Tulsa meeting and we aligned the interim council meeting and regional meeting in Oakland, CA. This worked out very nicely.

Obviously, the COVID pandemic has derailed the finer points of many of our plans. Thankfully our decision to cancel the in-person meeting turned out to be the correct course of action and we were able to extricate ourselves from the hotel and other commitments with a minimum of financial trouble. Tremendous thanks are due to ASG for their efforts. We have adapted to the new circumstances admirably and the MOPP committee, Jennifer Burgoon, and ASG have created this virtual meeting with phenomenal efforts.

In addition to the COVID pandemic, recent events have highlighted the ongoing pandemic of racism. The AACA has put out a statement explicitly condemning racism and we hope that our organization can contribute to the equitable resolution of this crisis.

Rob has noticed that joy and positivity have begun to re-emerge in interactions with colleagues and that some benefits of our “cocooning” have begun to emerge. Completion of lingering projects, learning new skills, and embracing creative efforts have all been noted at his institution and he believes that similar growth and innovation will be coming from the AACA as well.

Rob would like us to contemplate how we can harness this creativity to put the “clinical” back in Clinical Anatomy. The invited speakers at the New York meeting would have discussed the history of transplant surgery and its deep links to clinical anatomy. We will also look for ways to showcase the efforts of the other speaker who has transitioned from artist to administrator and how this sort of shift allows for new and exciting interactions between colleagues. Looking toward the future, we should support and expand departments of clinical anatomy, making efforts like those of Nirusha Lachman at Mayo. These topics will be explored in the next annual meeting in Seattle in 2021. The social aspect of the annual meeting will be a challenge but this will undoubtedly be a venue we can explore to improve these sorts of virtual events.

The 2020 virtual meeting had 404 registrants with 254 members and 150 guests.

Rob thanked Tom and Marios for their support and help in carrying out the duties of the president. Nirusha thanked Rob for his push to keep clinicians and anatomists connected in their teaching and research.

2. Treasurer's Report – Anthony D'Antoni

We have not lost money in the past year despite the financial disruption caused by the pandemic. The majority of our funds are in the investment account with a significant amount in the checking account and some small funds in other accounts. We are not making money with registration for the virtual meeting but we are not losing money due to hotel contracts and travel reimbursement being cancelled. We received \$2000 in donations during registration.

3. Membership Committee Report – Tom Gest

While membership in some areas has increased, regular membership numbers are slightly down in 2020 compared to 2019.

Affiliate members from 2019-2020: 5 to 9

Associate members: 97 to 115

Regular members: 445 to 377

Senior members: 17 to 19

Honored members: 2 to 18

Total: 566 to 538

For the last 6 years, we have had an average of 39 members join or renew during the last 3 months of the year, so we may be back to 2019 levels before 2021.

a. Remembrance of Deceased Members – *Peter Ward*

The membership recognized the members who have passed away during the last year: Keith Moore, MSc, PhD, DSc, FIAC, FRSM, FAAA

4. **Journal Committee Report – *Marios Loukas***

Report of Editor-in-Chief of *Clinical Anatomy* – *R. Shane Tubbs*

Clinical Anatomy has had a banner year. The sources of our submissions continue to be diverse: USA, China, Turkey, India, and South Korea are in the top 5. Over 2,200 reviewer invitations were sent this year. We had a massive uptick in the number of article downloads to above 350,000. This puts us into a very good position with Wiley. Our impact factor for 2018 was 1.813 and the impact factor for 2019 is 1.967. Shane highlighted some upcoming papers of interest.

5. **Meeting Organization & Program Planning Committee Report–*Jennifer Burgoon***

a. **Report of 2020 Annual Meeting Committee**

The MOOP continued customizing the Planstone software, improved submission guidelines, reviewer guidelines, and the pos-conference survey. During submission of abstracts they screened for IRB approval. The committee had to shift from planning the in-person meeting in New York to the new virtual method, featuring ePosters and ePlatform presentations delivered via Planstone. Submissions to the 2020 virtual meeting were considerable greater in number than in 2019.

Initial abstracts submitted in 2019 and 2020: 97 to 141

Late-breaking submissions: 11 to 15

Registrants: 290 to 399 (as of this morning)

Platform presentations: 20 to 22

b. **Future Meetings:**

Jennifer thanked the New York hosts, Estomih Mtui, Anthony D'Antoni, and the Weil Cornell School of Medicine for their efforts despite the disruption of the pandemic. The committee chairs, meeting managers, and ASG pulled a high-quality, virtual conference together in short order. She then highlighted our upcoming meetings.

- Oct 3rd – AACAHAPS Fall Regional Meeting. Hosted by University of Massachusetts Medical School – meeting will be held virtually – *Lela Giannaris* and *Jon Wisco*
- 2021 AACAHAPS Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA. – *Shane Tubbs*
- 2022 AACAHAPS Annual Meeting, Fort Worth, TX. – *Rusty Reeves*
- 2023 AACAHAPS Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL (tentative)
- 2024 AACAHAPS Annual Meeting, New York, NY (tentative)

Jennifer concluded by welcoming members to email her if they are interested in hosting a regional or national meeting and to fill out their post-conference survey.

6. Committee Elections¹ – Rob Spinner

Rob updated the membership regarding the committee elections and we elected members to three committees during the business meeting.

- a. Election of Members-at-Large for Bylaws: 2 vacancies
- b. Financial Affairs Committee: 1 vacancy
- c. Nominating Committee: 3 vacancies

Bylaws Committee

Elected Members-at-Large (2020-2021) - One year term

Amy Amabile
Christina Lewis

Financial Affairs Committee

Elected Member-at-Large (2020-2021) - One year term

Jon Jackson

Nominating Committee

Elected Members-at-Large (2020-2021)

Estomih Mtui
Rebecca Pratt
Brandi Schmitt

7. Annual AACA Awards – Rob Spinner

Rob recognized our 2020 AACA Honored Member, Dr. Stephen Carmichael and the 2020 R. Benton Adkins Service Award Winner, Dr. Neil Norton

8. Old Business

None

9. New Business

Sarah Greene presented a short video highlighting the opportunities for incorporating sign language into the teaching and practice of clinical anatomy, along with possible outreach initiatives to the deaf and hard-of-hearing communities.

ADJOURNMENT: 4:00pm

¹ The Special Interest Group (SIG) Committees (Educational Affairs, Career Development, Clinical Anatomical Terminology, and Anatomical Services) elects members at their committee meetings.