

MINUTES

of the Meetings of the
Unified Federation of Osteopathic Societies (UFOS)

July 16, 2015

Fairmont Hotel - Chicago

Chair: Donald Krpan, DO

Vice Chair: Karen Nichols, DO

Secretary/Treasurer: Wayne McBride, DO, MPH

Welcome & Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by the UFOS Chair, Dr Krpan, at 7:35 pm.

Invocation: Offered by Jim Zini, DO

Introductions:

Dr. Krpan recognized those at the head table, including Norman Vinn, DO, immediate past AOA president; UFOS officers (as above); AOA Board of Trustees members present: Boyd Buser, DO, Michael Murphy, DO, Mark Cantieri, DO, Tom Ely, DO, Teresa Hubka, DO, William Mayo, DO, Geraldine O'Shea, DO, and Barbara Walker, DO; and Advisors to the Chair: Joseph Molinar, DO, and Paul Grayson-Smith, DO.

All delegates and alternate delegates present, as well as Executive Directors, briefly introduced themselves and indicated their state.

Election of UFOS Chair for a 2-Year Term:

Dr. Krpan was nominated for another term as UFOS Chair. Motion was seconded, and approved with no discussion.

Motion to Adopt the Rules of the Federation:

Dr. Krpan called for a motion to adopt the Rules of the Federation. Motion made, seconded, and approved without discussion.

Comments from the Immediate Past President:

Dr. Vinn spoke of some of the highlights of his tenure as AOA President and expressed his appreciation for the support he has received from UFOS. He spoke of the Single GME Accreditation process that had been controversial, but expressed that this move remains in the best interest of the profession. He acknowledged the remarkable efforts of Dr. Buser in promoting this cause and providing a greater understanding of the issues and benefits of a single accreditation system.

Report of Vice Chair:

Dr. Nichols provided a brief status report on the single GME accreditation process, praising the tireless work by many in pursuing this effort, and acknowledging the concerns some continue to have as further issues are addressed. She also spoke of the effort to review and update the Rules of the Federation and sought volunteers from within UFOS to assist in suggesting needed changes.

Report of the Secretary/Treasurer:

Copies of the UFOS Rules, meeting minutes from July 2014 UFOS meetings, and the current Treasurer's report were distributed for review and reference. Approval of the minutes and Treasurer's Report was moved; seconded; approved without discussion.

Call to Bind the Caucus for Chair and Vice-Chair to Represent UFOS:

Dr. Krpan called for a motion for binding support for Chair and Vice-Chair to represent UFOS as they meet with the other Caucuses. Motion made; seconded; no discussion, approved.

Call for Re-Affirmation Vote for UFOS candidates:

Dr. Krpan moved that a re-affirmation vote for UFOS candidates to the Board of Trustees by made. Motion made, seconded, and approved with no discussion.

Reports of Members of the Board Reference Committees:

Reports of actions on selected resolutions were delivered with recommendations by the Board of Trustees, including Drs. O'Shea, Murphy, and Cantieri..

Comments from the AOA President-Elect:

Dr. Buser expressed his thanks to UFOS and all its members for their support. He is looking forward to serving the AOA in his new role. He commented on the move to a single GME accreditation system and expressed confidence in this transition but acknowledged there is still much work to do.

UFOS Candidates for AOA Board of Trustees:

Dr. Krpan introduced the following nominees for the Board of Trustee positions (2015-2016). This was followed by each candidate providing brief comments on their AOA experience and qualifications.

Mark Bailey, DO (AL) '15
Bruce Cunningham, DO (MN) '00
Charles (Chip) Finch, DO AZ '13
James Jempsa, DO (NV) '04
Joel Kase, DO (ME) '11
Timothy Kowalski, DO (SC) '04

Ernest Miller, DO (WV) '03
Susan Moore-Riesbeck, DO (IN) '08
George Pasquarello, DO, (RI) '10
Donald Polk, DO (TN) '04
Derrick Sorweide, DO (OR) '15
Gina DiFranco, DO (TN) '15

As with previous years, Dr. Krpan indicated that the updated prioritization sheets for Board of Trustee nominations will be distributed at the end of the meeting this evening. Each divisional society is to complete one sheet.

Chair's Report

Dr. Krpan's remarks focused on process of vetting candidates for the Board from our UFOS Caucus. He related past experiences regarding representation from UFOS, indicating that prior to 2000, there had been only 2 candidates from UFOS member societies who became AOA presidents, while since 2000, there have been 7 AOA presidents from UFOS societies. He also spoke of the single GME accreditation system and expressed strong support for an expectation of this system benefitting the profession. He described how AOA leadership and representatives have been treated very cordially and how we have a number of DOs on the faculty of many programs

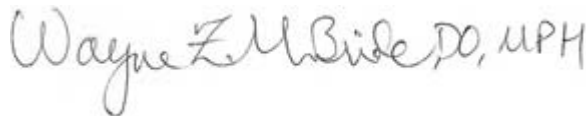
Reminder to Societies:

- Inasmuch as the business of the usual Friday afternoon UFOS meeting was attended to during this meeting, the Friday meeting was not held.
- UFOS traditionally has presided over and facilitated the AOA Caucus, held at 10:00 pm on Friday night.
- Each member society should send only 2 representatives to attend the Caucus and be prepared to nominate their candidate at the Caucus.
- Member societies must be prepared to nominate their candidate at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, July 19 on the floor of the House of Delegates.

Adjournment: 9:35 pm

Attendance: 195

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wayne Z. McBride, DO, MPH". The signature is written in a cursive style and is contained within a rectangular box.

Wayne Z. McBride, DO, MPH,
UFOS Secretary/Treasurer