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# ASA Board of Directors

## *Progress Report: October 2008*

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ASA Director – Academics

# ASA Board of Directors

## Voting Members:

- Officers: 10 (*12 total*)
- States: 50
- D of C 1
- Puerto Rico 1
- Residents 1
- Military 1
- Academic 1

**Total: 65**

HOD has 359  
voting  
members

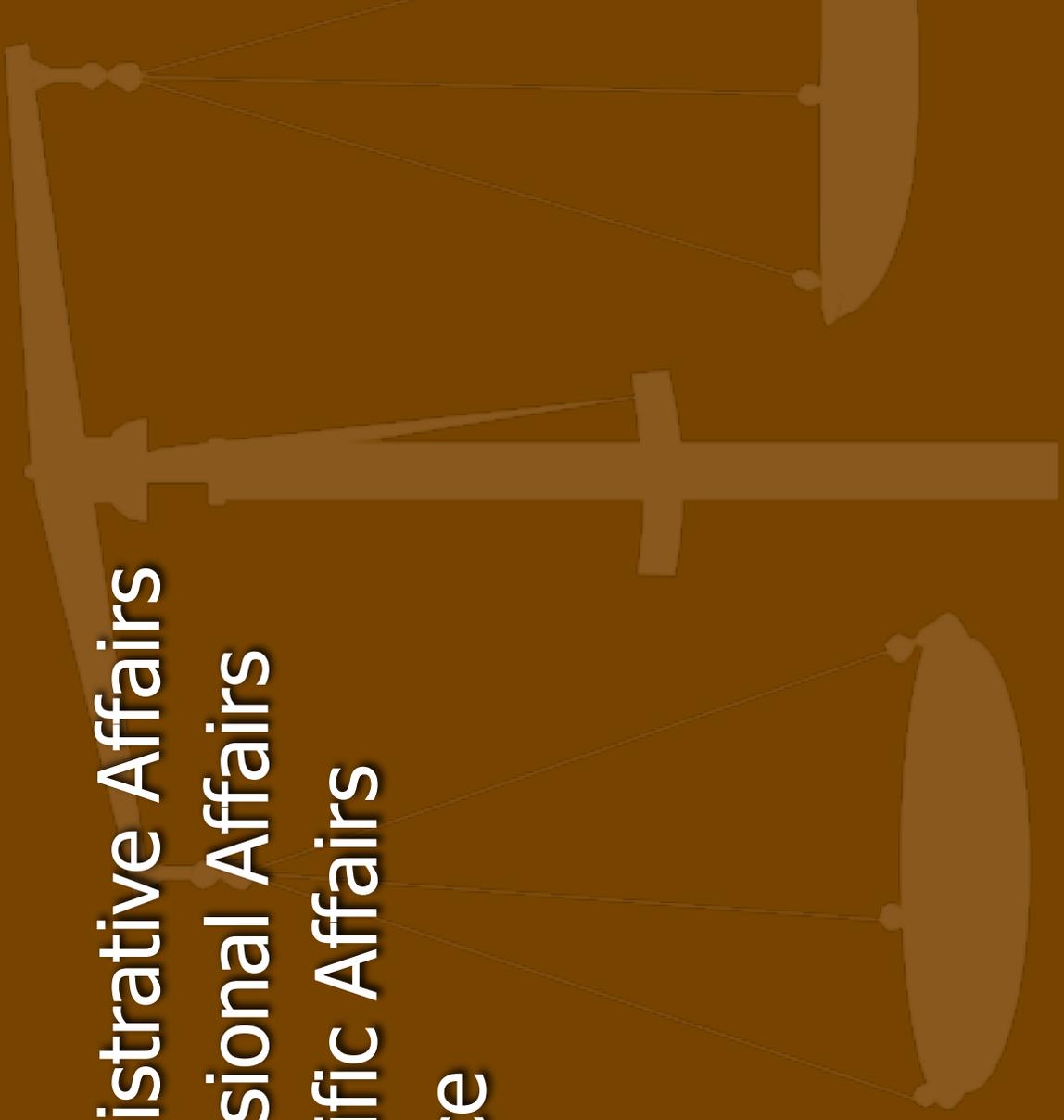
# ASA Board and HOD Meetings 2008

- February 23-24, 2008: Chicago O'Hare
- August 16-17, 2008: Chicago O'Hare
- October 18-22, 2008: Orlando FL



# REFERENCE COMMITTEES

- Administrative Affairs
- Professional Affairs
- Scientific Affairs
- Finance



# Administrative Affairs:

- Proposed dues increase:
  - Members: \$450 → \$600.
  - Affiliates: \$225 → \$300.
- Property Purchase:
  - Southeast of ASA Headquarters.
  - 3.015 acres @ \$4.25 million (\$32.36/ft<sup>2</sup>).
- Pediatric Anesthesia Board Cert.
  - *Discussed in SAAA panel.*
  - HOD voted opposition on 10/22/08

# Administrative Affairs (2)

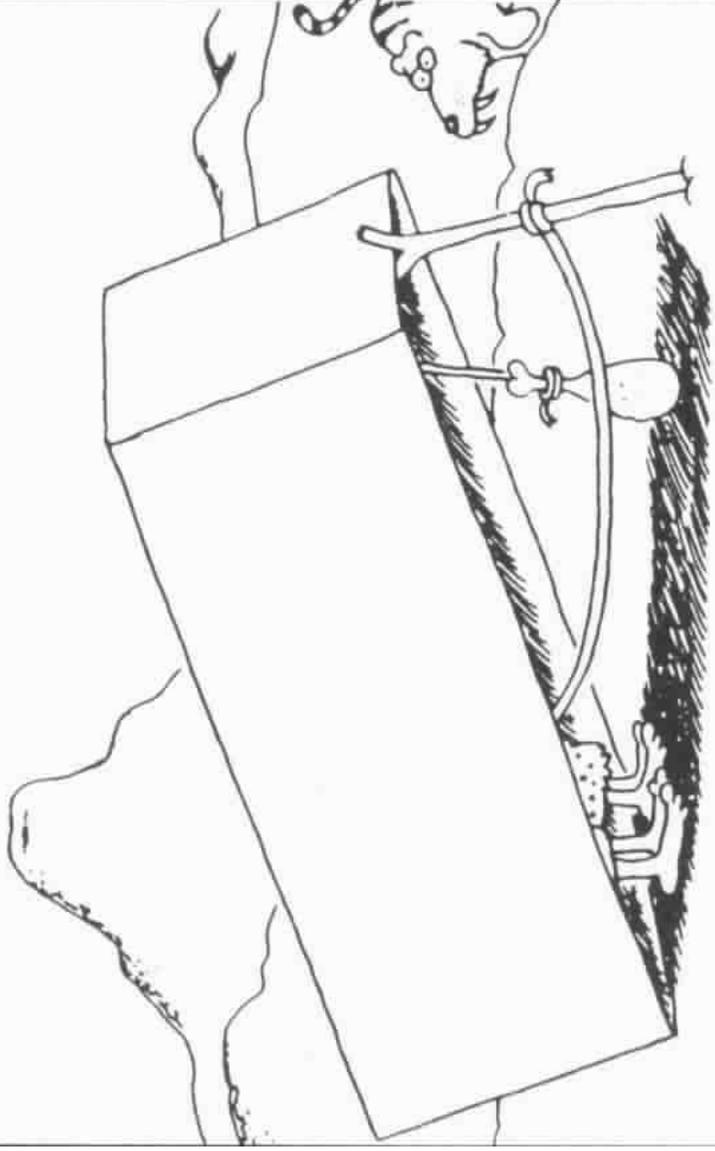
- National anesthesia data registry:
  - Under the new "ASA Quality Institute."
    - "...explore the feasibility of the construction of patient registries and databases with confidential bench marking of *individual practitioners* using measures developed by or in collaboration with the Committee on Performance and Outcomes Measurement and/or other subspecialty organizations as potentially more effective in improving physician performance....."
  - **BIG BROTHER?**

## Administrative Affairs (3)

- ASAQI has articles of incorporation [Wash, DC 509(a)(3) nonprofit] and bylaws.
- **Questions:**
  - Who has access to provider-specific data, and how is access controlled?
  - How is individual privacy protected?
  - Who decides when a group or individual provider needs their help?

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Bold, new ideas always have a few bugs.....



“Shhhh, Zog! ... Here come one now!”

# Administrative Affairs (4)

- Anesthesia Care Team (ACT):
  - Can perfusionists, SRNA's or SAA's (any non-physician students) be left in the OR alone as the sole anesthesia provider at any time?
  - NO!
- ASA Elections "Paraphernalia":
  - No more campaign buttons, signs, dancing girls, etc.
- SAAA Academic Director Report – *accepted.*
- Ref Comm adjourned at 10:15 PM!

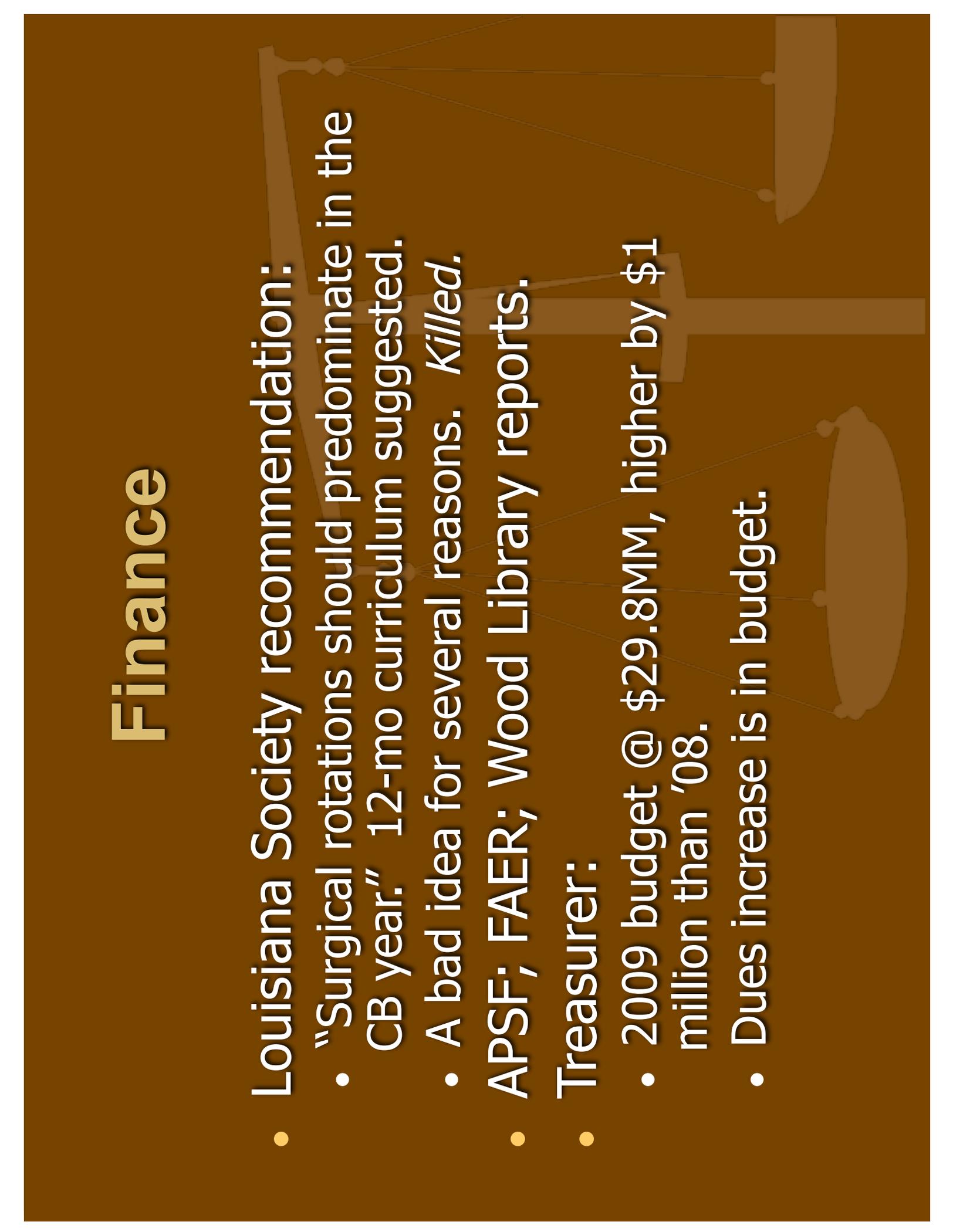
# Professional Affairs

- P4P – SCHIP – PQRI (Physician Quality Reporting Initiative)
  - 119 total quality measures. ONE of these (timing of antibiotics) is anesthesia-related!
  - AMA and ASA-CPOM have suggested 8 more.
- Practice Advisories:
  - Resp depression from neuraxial opioids.
  - MRI anesthesia.
- COE: *They do a lot of work!*
  - RVG; Crosswalk; Reverse Crosswalk. Wow!
  - Norm Cohen; Stan Stead.

# Scientific Affairs

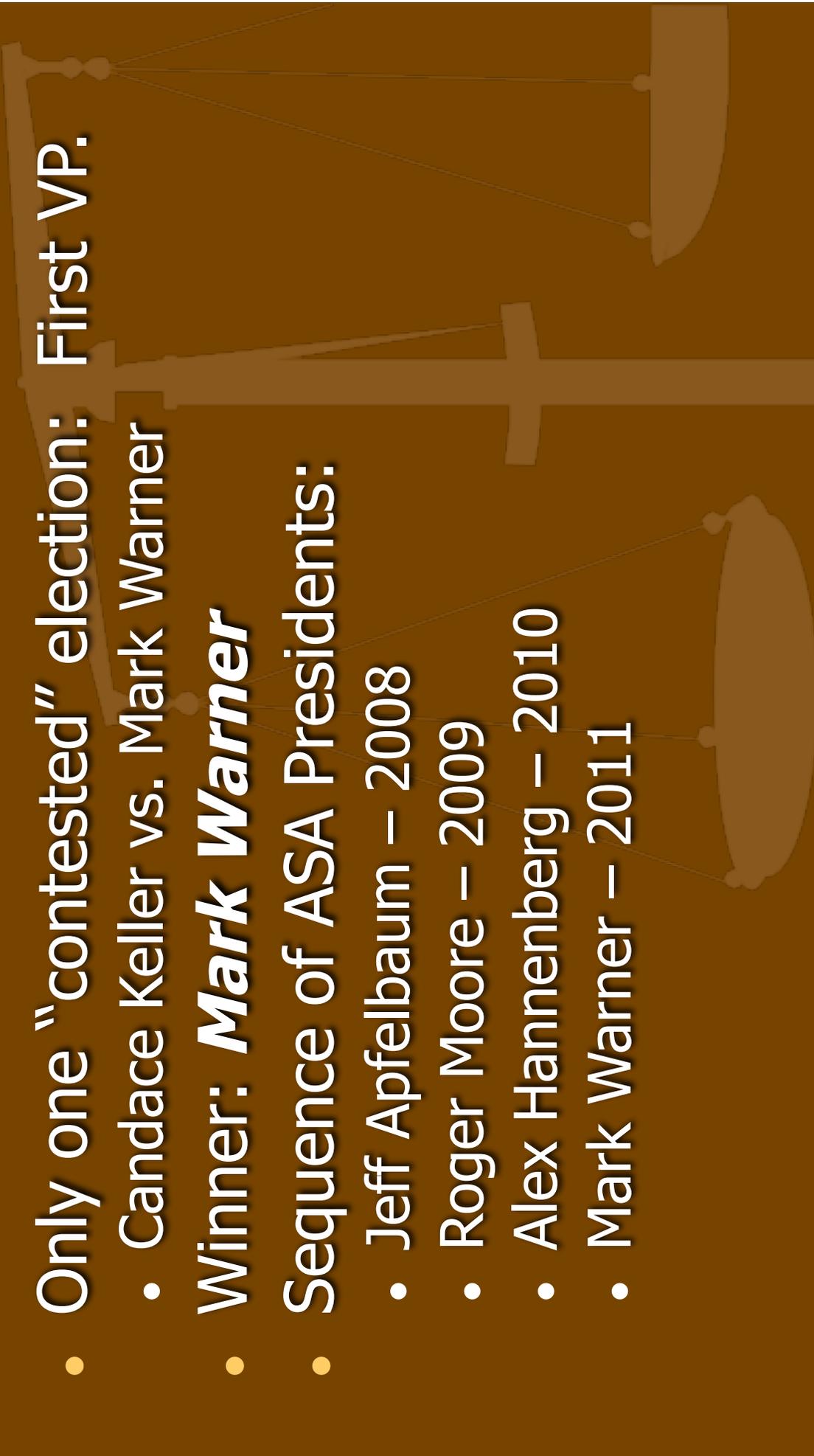
- Wellness Initiative/Program. (COH)
  - Deal with stress; burnout; depression.
  - Chemical dependence.
  - \$300K requested for startup.
  - *SAAA involvement?*
- Com on Geriatric Anesthesia & SAGA
  - FAQ booklet for Geriatrics – *published soon.*

# Finance



- Louisiana Society recommendation:
  - “Surgical rotations should predominate in the CB year.” 12-mo curriculum suggested.
  - A bad idea for several reasons. *Killed.*
- APSF; FAER; Wood Library reports.
- Treasurer:
  - 2009 budget @ \$29.8MM, higher by \$1 million than ‘08.
  - Dues increase is in budget.

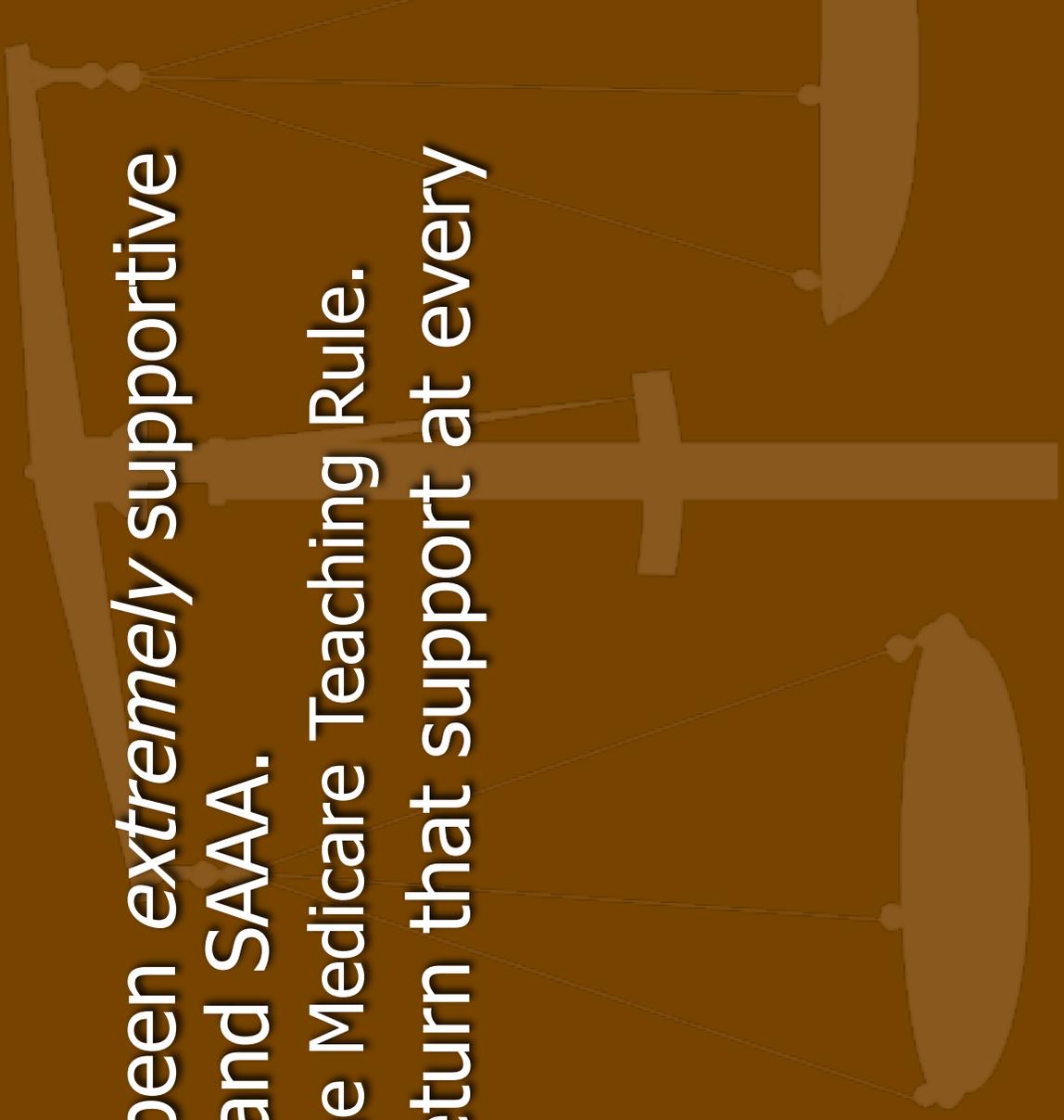
# Election of Officers



- Only one “contested” election: First VP.
  - Candace Keller vs. Mark Warner
- Winner: **Mark Warner**
- Sequence of ASA Presidents:
  - Jeff Apfelbaum – 2008
  - Roger Moore – 2009
  - Alex Hannenberg – 2010
  - Mark Warner – 2011

# Final Thought.....

- The ASA has been *extremely* supportive of academics and SAAA.
- Remember the Medicare Teaching Rule.
- We need to return that support at every opportunity!



**THE END**