

Academic Caucus

Established October 2015 by Drs. Jeffrey Kirsch and Zeev Kain
 ASA Director: Jeffrey Kirsch
 ASA Alternate Director: Michael Lewis

Academic Caucus 2017 Boston



Overall goals of academic caucus

- Develop a communication platform between academic anesthesia practices and ASA (e.g. proposal to add research tab to ASA Website; proposal to add “PM” to ASA)
- Educate academic anesthesiologists regarding activities of ASA that may have impact on academic practices

Goals Continued

- Educate academic anesthesiologists regarding details being considered by the reference committees, so that we can express academic values at regional caucuses (thus need to meet early Saturday morning).
- Vet candidates for ASA Officer Positions

Hot issues for 2017

- Reference committee reviewers
 - Colleen Koch (Hopkins): Professional Affairs
 - Howard Gutstein (UPMC): Scientific Affairs
 - Herodotos Ellinas (MCW): Administrative Affairs
 - Piyush Mathur (Cleveland Clinic): Financial Affairs
- Dues for residents: Proposed increase from \$25 to \$50, BOD approval. HOD decided \$30, consistent with 5% increase in general membership increase

Hot Issues (Continued)

- Support of request for ASA support to petition ACGME regarding qualifications of an academic Anesthesiology Department Chair
- Electronic posters vs. paper/physical posters: AMOC mixture ok, per request by individual; concerned about “drive-by poster presenters”.
- Hallway conversations: Value of State Society membership/decrease in State Society Attendance and revenue to support travel expenses of State Society involvement in BOD and HOD

Contested elections

- None for 2017
- 2018
 - First Vice President: Beverly Philip vs. Claude Brunson
 - VP Scientific Affairs: Jeff Kirsch vs. Andy Rosenberg

Thank you!

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