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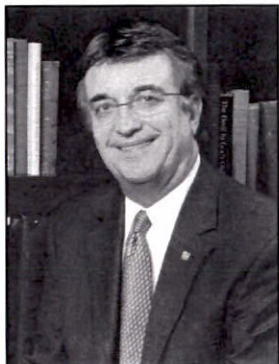
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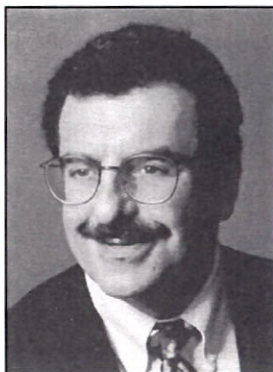
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL

Hyatt Regency Hotel

New Orleans, Louisiana, Wednesday, November 10, 2004

CALL TO ORDER

The Council of the Southern Medical Association met at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, on Wednesday, November 10, 2004. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by the President, T. Rudolph Howell, M.D.

ROLL CALL

Members of the Council present were T. Rudolph Howell, M.D., President, Richmond, Virginia; Michael G. Mackey, M.D., Immediate Past President, Jonesboro, Arkansas; Charles A. Farmer, Jr., M.D., Tulsa, Oklahoma, President-Elect; Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D., President-Elect Designate, Brookhaven, Mississippi; Judy A. C. King, M.D., Birmingham, Alabama; Andrew W. Lawton, M.D., Little Rock, Arkansas; Paul A. DeVore, M.D., Washington, DC; Paula Oliver Pell, M.D., St. Petersburg, Florida; Bashir A. Chaudhary, M.D., Augusta, Georgia; Nancy C. Swikert, M.D., Florence, Kentucky; George S. Ellis, Jr., M.D., New Orleans, Louisiana; John M. Umhau, M.D., Chevy Chase, Maryland; Gary A. Dyer, M.D., St. Joseph, Missouri; David F. Martin, MD, Winston-Salem, North Carolina; Mark G. Martens, M.D., Tulsa, Oklahoma; Jan N. Basile, M.D., Charleston, South Carolina; R. Bruce Shack, M.D., Nashville, Tennessee; Veronica K. Piziak, M.D., Temple, Texas; Robert W. Klink, M.D., Gloucester, Virginia; and W. Alva Deardorff, MD, Charleston, West Virginia.

Councilor-Elect Members present were Thomas Bunnell, M.D., Crestview Hills, Kentucky; Eric E.

Lindstrom, M.D., Laurel, Mississippi; Kevin Burroughs, M.D., Concord, North Carolina; and Terry L. Elliott, M.D., Wheeling, West Virginia.

Also in attendance were Ronald C. Hamdy, M.D., Editor, Southern Medical Journal; and SMA Auxiliary Representatives - Mrs. Nancy Lindstrom, President, Laurel, Mississippi; and Mrs. Sandy Currie, President-Elect, Dallas, Texas.

Staff present from Birmingham, Alabama, were Mr. Ed Waldron, Executive Vice President; Mr. Donald Casey, Chief Finance Officer; Mr. Luke Hartsfield, Chief Operations Officer; Mrs. Kendra Blackmon, Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Administration and Leadership Communications; Mrs. Jill Howell, Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Marketing.

Dr. Howell welcomed everyone to the meeting. Dr. Howell provided a special welcome to the Councilor-Elects present as well as the two newest members of the Council, Dr. King and Dr. Martens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Prior to the meeting, copies of the Minutes of the July 16-17, 2004, meeting of the Council were distributed for review.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the July 16-17, 2004, meeting of the Council.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes

of the July 16-17, 2004, meeting of the Council. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF ANNUAL MEETING

T. Rudolph Howell, M.D.,
President

Dr. Howell stated that the annual meeting was on track. Dr. Howell reviewed some of the highlights of the meeting including the Talk of the Town featuring Tieraona Low Dog, M.D. with the location for the Talk of the Town the Windsor Court Hotel. He encouraged all present to attend.

REVIEW OF THE CORNERSTONE SOCIETY

Michael G. Mackey, MD

Dr. Mackey reviewed the concept behind the Cornerstone Society. He stated that past presidents of the SMA and SMAA would be invited to participate as would past SMJ editors. Dr. Mackey stated this group would serve as a "brain trust" to provide advice to the current and future leadership of the Association. He stated that there would be benefit from their experience as well as their influence. This influence would be valuable in assisting with our Medical School endeavors. Dr. Mackey stated that financial matters are always a consideration and this endeavor should not prove to be cost prohibitive.

Dr. Mackey stated that this had been discussed at the Summer Meeting and had also been discussed on several occasions during the Executive Committee Meetings.

MOTION: A motion was made that the Cornerstone Society be established.

ACTION: It was moved

and seconded to establish the Cornerstone Society. The motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF A COUNCILOR

Michael G. Mackey, MD

Dr. Mackey stated that behind tab two in the notebook provided was a list of the Duties and Responsibilities of a Councilor from the Bylaws, Article III, Section 8, Part E., Item 5, D. Dr. Mackey stated that over the last several years, at the recommendation of the Long Range Planning Committee as well as the Council itself, adjustments had been made to the Bylaws regarding the accountability of the Council. Dr. Mackey stated that as a result of this and within the last year, the results of these efforts were presented to Council at the Summer Meeting and voted on for approval except for one section which was referred to the Advisory Committee on Constitution and Bylaws for further refinement. The committee has provided the new language reflected under Item 5, D. which reads, "each councilor shall responsibly provide a primary and secondary means for all communications and shall respond in a timely manner." Dr. Mackey stated this is the only difference reflected in what was previously approved at the Summer Meeting of the Council.

MOTION: A motion was made that the change reflected in Article III, Section 8, Part E., Item 5, D. of the Duties and Responsibilities of a Councilor be approved by Council.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the change reflected in Article III, Section 8, Part E., Item 5, D. of the Duties and Responsibilities of a Councilor. The

motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Mackey stated that it will now need to go before the General Membership at the First General Session in November for approval. Upon approval at that time it will become official and the Bylaws will be updated accordingly.

Reports were provided on the following, but no motions or actions were recorded.

Report of the SMA Auxiliary
Mrs. Nancy Lindstrom, Auxiliary
President

Restructuring of Products,
Services and Assets
Dr. Michael Mackey

State Reports by Councilors

Report of the Wholly Owned
Subsidiary
Dr. Louis A. Cancellaro, MD,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE BUDGET &
ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
Dr. Michael Mackey

Dr. Mackey stated he and the Budget and Administration Committee would like to recommend that SMA enter into a relationship with SMA Services, Inc. where SMA Services, Inc. would license some of the educational programs for marketing and distribution. After much discussion a motion was made.

MOTION: A motion was made if SMA Services, Inc. offers to purchase education products, SMA agrees to enter into an arrangement to sale with first right of refusal.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to accept an offer by SMA

Services, Inc. to purchase education products, with SMA agreeing to enter into an arrangement to sale with first right of refusal. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion the meeting adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL
Headquarters Office
Birmingham, AL, March 9, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The Council of the Southern Medical Association met at the Birmingham headquarters office Center, Birmingham, Alabama, March 9, 2005 to review the membership status and participation history of the North Carolina Councilor.

ROLL CALL

Members of the Council present were Charles A. Farmer, Jr., M.D., President, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D., President-Elect, Brookhaven, Mississippi; George S. Ellis, Jr., M.D., Councilor, New Orleans, Louisiana; Judy A. C. King, M.D., Mobile, Alabama; Andrew W. Lawton, M.D., Little Rock, Arkansas; Paul A. DeVore, M.D., Washington, DC; Paula Oliver Pell, M.D., St. Petersburg, Florida; Bashir A. Chaudhary, M.D., Augusta, Georgia; Thomas Bunnell, M.D., Crestview Hills, Kentucky; Eric Lindstrom, M.D., Laurel, Mississippi; Gary A. Dyer, M.D., St. Joseph, Missouri; John M. Umhau, M.D., Chevy Chase, Maryland; Mark Martens, M.D., Tulsa, Oklahoma; Jan N. Basile, M.D., Charleston, South Carolina; R. Bruce Shack, M.D., Nashville, Tennessee; Veronica K. Piziak, M.D., Temple, Texas; Robert W. Klink, M.D., Gloucester, Virginia and Terry Elliott, M.D., Wheeling, West Virginia.

Staff present from Birmingham, Alabama, were Mr. Ed Waldron, Executive Vice President; Mr. Don Casey, Chief Finance Officer; Mr. Luke Hartsfield, Chief Operations Officer; Pam McDonald Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Human Resources and Annual Meeting/Summer Council Meeting Planning; and Mrs. Kendra Blackmon, Assistant to the Executive

Vice President for Administration and Leadership Communications.

It was noted that the Councilor's membership had lapsed five months previously and although several attempts had been made to contact the Councilor to rectify the situation, no communication had been received. It was noted that communication with the President had produced no resolution to the problem. The participation in Council calls, meetings and communications of the North Carolina Councilor was reviewed. It was noted there had been no communication with staff for several months and limited communication with the President which produced no significant results.

Action: It was moved and seconded to notify the current Councilor from North Carolina of replacement procedures due to non-payment of dues. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL
Montage Resort and Spa
Laguna Beach, California
August 1-2, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The Council of the Southern Medical Association met at the Montage Resort and Spa, Laguna Beach, California, August 1-2, 2005. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by the President, Charles A. Farmer, M.D.

ROLL CALL

Members of the Council present were Charles A. Farmer, Jr., M.D., President, Tulsa, Oklahoma; T. Rudolph Howell, M.D., Immediate Past President, Richmond, Virginia; Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D., President-Elect, Brookhaven, Mississippi; George S. Ellis, Jr., M.D., President-Elect Designate, New Orleans, Louisiana; Judy A. C. King, M.D., Mobile, Alabama; Andrew W. Lawton, M.D., Little Rock, Arkansas; Paul A. DeVore, M.D., Washington, DC; Paula Oliver Pell, M.D., St. Petersburg, Florida; Bashir A. Chaudhary, M.D., Augusta, Georgia; Thomas Bunnell, M.D., Crestview Hills, Kentucky; John M. Umhau, M.D., Chevy Chase, Maryland; Eric Lindstrom, M.D., Laurel, Mississippi; Gary A. Dyer, M.D., St. Joseph, Missouri; Peter J. Kragel, M.D., Greenville, North Carolina; Mark Martens, M.D., Tulsa, Oklahoma; Jan N. Basile, M.D., Charleston, South Carolina; R. Bruce Shack, M.D., Nashville, Tennessee; Veronica K. Piziak, M.D., Temple, Texas; and Robert W. Klink, M.D., Gloucester, Virginia; Terry Elliott, M.D., Wheeling, West Virginia.

Also in attendance were SMA Alliance Representatives - Mrs. Sandy Currie, President, Canyon, Texas; and Mrs. Donna Gosney, President-Elect, Muscle Shoals, Alabama; and for Reporting to Council on Tuesday - Louis A. Cancellaro, M.D., Ph.D., SMA Services, Inc. Chairman, Johnson City, Tennessee.

Members of the Council not present were Ronald C. Hamdy, M.D., Editor, Southern Medical Journal.

Staff present from Birmingham, Alabama, were Mr. Ed Waldron, Executive Vice President; Mr. Don Casey, Chief Finance Officer; Mr. Luke Hartsfield, Chief Operations Officer; Mr. Randy Glick, Chief Information Officer; Mrs. Kendra Blackmon, Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Administration and Leadership Communications; Mrs. Kathy McLendon, Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Professional Development.

Dr. Farmer welcomed everyone to the meeting. Dr. Farmer extended a special welcome to Dr. Kragel as the newest member of the Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Prior to the meeting, copies of the Minutes of the November 9, 2004, and March 9, 2005 meetings of the Council were distributed for review.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the November 9, 2004, and March 9, 2005 meetings of the Council.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of the November 9, 2004, and March 9, 2005 meetings of the Council. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Charles A. Farmer, M.D.

Dr. Farmer stated the next two weeks were critical in the marketing efforts of

the annual meeting. He stated that letters were sent to Associate Councilors and Section Leaders issuing the challenge – to get a strong, vibrant attendance in San Antonio. He requested the Councilors contact their state leadership-Associate Councilors and Section Leadership-personally to encourage them to attend and assist with the registration effort. Dr. Farmer requested staff send a list of Section Leaders in each state to Councilors to assist with this task.

Dr. Farmer requested that each Councilor contact the three largest county medical societies and the state medical society to see if they would agree to put a link about the AM on their website; issue a broadcast fax or email; or put an article in their newsletter. He stated that the stage had been set and encouraged everyone to assist with making sure there was a strong attendance.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Ed Waldron

Mr. Waldron stated that the Southern Medical Association may very well be the most complete medical association in existence, excluding the political application. He stated SMA truly is the physician's partner in total practice performance.

Mr. Waldron stated that SMA is developing a brand in the marketplace. He stated that brand is total practice performance. He stated that leveraging SMA product offerings into membership through an integrated marketing plan combined with a client development program can & must produce results.

Mr. Waldron stated emphatically that in 2005/2006 SMA will accomplish many of their goals in three ways.

- Replication of the SMA in each state based upon individual state needs by specialty including

primary care specialists and targeted recruiting of influential specialists

- Rejuvenation of communities of interest which has been lost.

(examples of these are Derm/Zola

Cooper, OBG/Southern OBGYN

- An elite Southern Association for Primary Care,

- Rejuvenation of the Orthopaedic Traumatic Surgery Section

- A custom corporate membership program which is flexible and designed for individual practices

REPORT OF THE BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

T. Rudolph Howell, MD, Chair

Dr. Howell stated there was a recent conference call where the budget was approved for the upcoming fiscal year 2005-2006. He noted that in the packet was a copy of the budget. Dr. Howell stated the budget process was completed using a mixture of Zero Based and estimates based on review of previous years' activity, along with careful consideration of negative, as well as, positive influences.

Mr. Casey reviewed the dividend issue from SMA Services, Inc. and stated it would be reviewed annually.

MOTION: A motion was made to ratify the Budget and Administration Committee Report.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to approve and ratify the Budget and Administration Committee Report. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON GRANTS, LOANS & SCHOLARSHIPS Bashir Chaudhary, M.D., Chair

Dr. Chaudhary reported an amount of \$32,500 had been allocated for scholarships and \$2,500 for Awards

of Excellence for the coming (2005-2006) academic year and \$5,000 is allocated to Research Project Grants.

There were two applications for consideration of Research Project Grant funds. Dr. Chaudhary reviewed the applications and determined to award \$2,500.00 to each of the two individuals requesting Grants for a total \$5,000.

Of the thirty-three Medical and Osteopathic Schools in Southern Medical Association's territory that were approached for nominations, twenty-five Deans submitted nominations/applications on behalf of their third year medical students. A total of \$25,000 was awarded for the 2004-2005 school year.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
Eric Lindstrom, MD, Chair

Dr. Lindstrom reported that a request had been submitted to the Committee suggesting an internship for residents and fellows be created in order to allow them to be Associate Councilors. They would have no voting rights, however, it would add a leadership training aspect and provide interaction with the Councilor and other Associate Councilors. It was suggested that there be only one from each state.

It was decided to create a Presidential Task Force on Physician-In-Training Involvement in Leadership. The charge for this task force would be to formulate a mechanism to incorporate resident physician leaders into a physician-in-training leadership position in Southern Medical Association. The task force should make recommendations regarding establishment of a structure to recognize these resident physicians as young physician leaders within the organization (including such issues as the member positions per state or teaching program) and define the qualification requirements and

duties of these individuals. This task force would fall under the purview of the Coordinating Committee on Membership. The members of this task force would be Eric Lindstrom, MD, Chair; Peter Kragel, MD, Vice-Chair; Judy King, MD; Paul DeVore, MD; Terry Elliott, MD; George Ellis, MD; Andrew Lawton, MD; Veronica Piziak, MD; John Umhau, MD. The task force will provide a report to the Council to include firm recommendations at the November meeting of the Council in San Antonio.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON PRACTICE
MANAGEMENT
Robert W. Klink, MD, Chair

Dr. Klink reported that SMA, through SMA Services, is prepared to assist members in meeting the challenges of ever changing government regulations. A Practice Assessment has been developed to help members evaluate the business and operational aspects of their practices. Dr. Klink stated that this year the Advisory Committee on Practice Management endorsed Greenway Medical Technologies' PrimeSuite®, an integrated practice management system and electronic health record. Greenway will discount all its software sold to SMA members.

Currently under development is a web-based training program for new employees of a medical practice who have never worked in a practice before. It will cover topics that are common to all practices, such as medical records, co-payments, pre-certification, Medicaid and Medicare.

A Coding and Reimbursement Forum has been set up on the website. It allows members to ask questions or exchange information regarding coding and reimbursement issues. Questions are answered by SMA Services' Coding consultant. There is also a Practice Management

Forum on the website for any practice management issue participants want to discuss - from HIPAA to patient relations. Questions are answered by SMA Services' Assistant to the E.V.P. for Practice Management Services.

The agreement reached in May to place Mediwire articles on our website included journals, such as Medical Economics and Managed Healthcare Executive, which contain articles pertinent to practice management. These articles will enhance the value of our website for SMA members.

MOTION: A motion was made to accept and ratify the reports of Advisory Committees of the Budget and Administration Committee.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to accept and ratify the reports of the Advisory Committees of the Budget and Administration Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL
COMMITTEE ON ENDOWMENTS**
Braxter P. Irby, Jr., MD, Chair

Mr. Casey stated Quintus Asset Management had been working with SMA since May of 2002. He stated they are a conservative money manager. The portfolio set up for SMA was a very conservative asset allocation of 40-60 - 40% invested in stocks and 60% in bonds-both high quality issue. Mr. Casey also reported that the minimum balance to be maintained in the fund is \$500,000. He reported that Quintus had suggested that SMA consider using a covered call strategy to increase it's profit margin.

After much discussion it was decided to refer the issue to the Presidential Committee on Endowments for further discussion with Quintus and to report back with a decision at the Annual Assembly in San Antonio.

Reports were provided on the following, however, no motions or actions resulted.

REPORT OF THE SMA ALLIANCE
Sandy Currie, President

**REPORT OF THE COORDINATING
COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP**
Paula Oliver Pell, MD, Chair

**REPORT OF THE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON NEW PHYSICIANS**
Judy King, MD, Co-Chair
Andrew Lawton, MD, Co-Chair

**REPORT OF THE COORDINATING
COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE AND
RETIREMENT**
George Ellis, MD

**REPORT OF THE INFORMATION
SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT**
Mr. Randy Glick, Chief Information
Officer

**REPORT ON THE CORNERSTONE
SOCIETY**
T. Rudolph Howell, MD, Chair

STATE REPORTS

**REPORT OF THE COORDINATING
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**
Jan Basile, MD, Chair

Dr. Basile, Chair of the Coordinating Committee on Education, presented the Professional Development (CME Unit) Overall Program to the Council for Evaluation and Review.

**REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN
MEDICAL JOURNAL**
Ronald Hamdy, MD, Editor
Report read by Kathy
McLendon on Dr. Hamdy's Behalf

Mrs. McLendon stated Dr. Hamdy was very proud of the achievements of the Southern Medical Journal. Mrs. McLendon stated a recommendation regarding the SMJ Editorial Board is hereby made to:

(a) Retire the following: Karen H. Calhoun, MD; Gregory J. Davis, MD; Samuel Eichold, MD; Steven Entman, MD; Lindy Harrell, MD; E.C. Wadibia, PharmD; Leon A. Weisberg, MD

(b) Add the following: Steven J. Haas, BPharm; John B. Standridge, MD; Dan Hunt, MD; Daniel G. Federman, MD; Amal K. Mitra, MD, DrPH; Akella Chendrasekhar, MD; Reamer Bushardt, PharmD, PA-C; and Michael H. Young, MD

MOTION: The motion was made to accept the recommended changes to the Editorial Board of the Southern Medical Journal.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to accept the recommended changes to the Editorial Board of the Southern Medical Journal. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY SMA SERVICES, INC.

Louis A. Cancellaro, MD, Chair of
SMAS Board

The SMA IRA was underwritten by Prudential Life Insurance and in December of 2000 they announced they would demutualize to become a stock company. As a result of this activity any contract holders would be the recipient of either cash or policy credits depending on the type of contract they held. A letter from the attorney was provided for review by Council. Based on the letter from the attorney, SMA is prepared to make this distribution by year-end to the participant base on a prorata basis. For clarification the participants who are still with the SMA IRA will receive

a credit for settlement and those who have left will receive a cash distribution. For those who may have transferred their money to other IRA's may receive a transfer so that it is not taxable.

Dr. Cancellaro reviewed the licensing of the education programs and discussed the criteria to be used for purchasing. He stated that the history will be reviewed, the sale-ability of the program and will it make a profit. The quality is an accepted fact. Each product will be reviewed annually.

Dr. Cancellaro stated they reviewed the SMA Services Bylaws and made some changes that will bring them into compliance with the Alabama code for private corporations. Additional adjustments made were setting some terms for the Board members. A member can serve two three year terms, with reelection annually. The member must be elected. In addition policies and procedures for qualifications will be developed. The Bylaws will be sent back to the attorney for additional adjustments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business
the meeting adjourned at 12:50.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL
Marriott Rivercenter Hotel
San Antonio, Texas, November 9, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The Council of the Southern Medical Association met at the Marriott Rivercenter Hotel, San Antonio, Texas, November 9, 2005. The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by the President, Charles A. Farmer, M.D.

ROLL CALL

Members of the Council present were Charles A. Farmer, Jr., M.D., President, Tulsa, Oklahoma.; T. Rudolph Howell, M.D., Immediate Past President, Richmond, Virginia; Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D., President-Elect, Brookhaven, Mississippi; George S. Ellis, Jr., M.D., President-Elect Designate, New Orleans, Louisiana; Judy A. C. King, M.D., Mobile, Alabama; Andrew W. Lawton, M.D., Little Rock, Arkansas; Paul A. DeVore, M.D., Washington, DC; Paula Oliver Pell, M.D., St. Petersburg, Florida; Bashir A. Chaudhary, M.D., Augusta, Georgia; Thomas Bunnell, M.D., Crestview Hills, Kentucky; John M. Umhau, M.D., Chevy Chase, Maryland; Eric Lindstrom, M.D., Laurel, Mississippi; Gary A. Dyer, M.D., St. Joseph, Missouri; Peter J. Kragel, M.D., Greenville, North Carolina; Mark Martens, M.D., Tulsa, Oklahoma; Jan N. Basile, M.D., Charleston, South Carolina; R. Bruce Shack, M.D., Nashville, Tennessee; Veronica K. Piziak, M.D., Temple, Texas; and Robert W. Klink, M.D., Gloucester, Virginia; Terry Elliott, M.D., Wheeling, West Virginia.

Also in attendance were SMA Alliance Representative - Mrs. Sandy Currie, President, Canyon, Texas; Ronald C. Hamdy, M.D., Editor, Southern Medical Journal; Richard Heimburger, MD, Columbia, Missouri, Councilor-Elect-Missouri. Staff present from Birmingham, Alabama, were Mr. Ed

Waldron, Executive Vice President; Mr. Don Casey, Chief Finance Officer; Mr. Luke Hartsfield, Chief Operations Officer; Mr. Randy Glick, Chief Information Officer; and Mrs. Kendra Blackmon, Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Administration and Leadership Communications.

Dr. Farmer welcomed everyone to the meeting. Dr. Farmer extended a special welcome to Dr. Heimburger as the newest member of the Council.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Charles A. Farmer, M.D.

Dr. Farmer stated that some review needed to be provided regarding being a member of a board and specifically being a member of council. He stated that business and board ethics command the following: information about SMA is considered proprietary when it affects our business reputation, our market position, finances or internal operations. Proprietary information is given in confidence to the council and should be considered private communication. Release of proprietary information to any person who is not a council member must be accompanied by permission of the President. In the case of SMA, permission from the President is obtained by making the request through the appropriate committee(s) for forwarding to the President with recommendation for appropriate permission to release proprietary information. Proprietary information extends to the amount and type of business insurance carried by the Association for directors and officers.

REPORT OF THE COORDINATING
COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION
AND BUDGET

T. Rudolph Howell, MD, Chair

Dr. Howell stated that a packet with the first quarter financial statements and the report on the final audit were provided to Council for review. A motion was made after discussion.

MOTION: A motion was made to accept the Budget and Administration Committee Report on the first quarter financials and FYE 6-30-05 audit reports as presented.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to accept the Budget and Administration Committee Report on the first quarter financials and FYE 6-30-05 audit reports as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports were provided on the following, but no motions or actions were recorded.

Southern Medical Journal
Ronald Hamdy, MD, Editor

The SMA Alliance
Sandy Currie, President

REPORT ON THE TASK FORCE
ON PHYSICIANS IN TRAINING
INVOLVEMENT

Eric Lindstrom, Chairman

Following the report provided by Dr. Lindstrom, Dr. Farmer stated the Task Force was on target and should now move forward with the suggestions presented. Dr. Irby extended the Task Force into the next year in order to better define and implement recommended suggestions.

TASK FORCE ON AFFILIATIONS
AND MEMBERSHIP EXPANSION

Mark Martens, MD, Chairman

Following the report provided by Dr. Martens, Dr. Farmer stated this Task Force too seemed to be moving in the right direction. It was discussed that this Task Force needs to make recommendations to appropriate committees for follow-up and continuation. Dr. Basile asked that the Task Force work closely with the Advisory Committee on Scientific Activities. Dr. Irby extended the Task Force into the next year in order to continue and refine recommended suggestions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business,
the meeting was adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL
San Antonio Convention Center
San Antonio, Texas, November 12, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The Council of the Southern Medical Association met at the San Antonio Convention Center, San Antonio, Texas, November 12, 2005 for review of the annual meeting. The meeting was called to order at 2:25 p.m. by the President-Elect, Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D.

ROLL CALL

Members of the Council present were Charles A. Farmer, Jr., M.D., President, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D., President-Elect, Brookhaven, Mississippi; George S. Ellis, Jr., M.D., President-Elect Designate, New Orleans, Louisiana; Judy A. C. King, M.D., Mobile, Alabama; Andrew W. Lawton, M.D., Little Rock, Arkansas; Paul A. DeVore, M.D., Washington, DC; Paula Oliver Pell, M.D., St. Petersburg, Florida; Bashir A. Chaudhary, M.D., Augusta, Georgia; Thomas Bunnell, M.D., Crestview Hills, Kentucky; Eric Lindstrom, M.D., Laurel, Mississippi; Gary A. Dyer, M.D., St. Joseph, Missouri; Peter J. Kragel, M.D., Greenville, North Carolina; Jan N. Basile, M.D., Charleston, South Carolina; R. Bruce Shack, M.D., Nashville, Tennessee; and Terry Elliott, M.D., Wheeling, West Virginia.

Unable to attend were John M. Umhau, M.D., Chevy Chase, Maryland; Mark Martens, M.D., Tulsa, Oklahoma; Veronica K. Piziak, M.D., Temple, Texas; Robert W. Klink, M.D., Gloucester, Virginia.

Also in attendance were SMA Alliance Representative - Mrs. Sandy Currie, President, Canyon, Texas; and Richard Heimburger, MD, Columbia, Missouri, Councilor-Elect-Missouri.

Staff present from Birmingham, Alabama, were Mr. Ed Waldron, Executive Vice President; Mr. Don Casey, Chief Finance Officer; Mr. Luke Hartsfield,

Chief Operations Officer; Pam McDonald Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Human Resources and Annual Meeting/Summer Council Meeting Planning; and Mrs. Kendra Blackmon, Assistant to the Executive Vice President for Administration and Leadership Communications.

Dr. Irby welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Prior to the meeting, copies of the Minutes of the August 1-2, 2005 meeting of the Council were distributed for review.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the Minutes of the August 1-2, 2005, meeting of the Council.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the Minutes of the August 1-2, 2005, meeting of the Council. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

It was the general consensus of the Council that the Annual Meeting was an overall success. The sessions were all well attended and the traffic in the hall was good. There was some concern noted on behalf of the Specialty Sections with regard to participation in the planning of the Assembly. It was noted the new A.M. template is a bridge to provide SMA the ability with which to gain some stability, progress and change that will hopefully increase interest in the Annual Meeting as well as membership.

Staff was instructed to send the A.M. template to all section

secretaries and section officers
to review for determination of
section involvement in the Assembly.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business,
the meeting was adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL
Conference Call
January 19, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

The Council of the Southern Medical Association met in a conference call January 19, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Central Time by the President, Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D.

ROLL CALL

Members of the Council present were Braxter P. Irby, Jr., M.D., President, Brookhaven, Mississippi; George S. Ellis, Jr., M.D., President-Elect, New Orleans, Louisiana; Andrew W. Lawton, M.D., Little Rock, Arkansas; Paul A. DeVore, M.D., Washington, DC; Paula Oliver Pell, M.D., St. Petersburg, Florida; Eric Lindstrom, M.D., Laurel, Mississippi; Peter J. Kragel, M.D., Greenville, North Carolina; R. Bruce Shack, M.D., Nashville, Tennessee; Veronica K. Piziak, M.D., Temple, Texas; Robert W. Klink, M.D., Gloucester, Virginia; and Terry Elliott, M.D., Wheeling, West Virginia.

Members unable to attend were Charles A. Farmer, Jr., M.D., Immediate Past President, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Judy A. C. King, M.D., Mobile, Alabama; Bashir A. Chaudhary, M.D., Augusta, Georgia; Thomas Bunnell, M.D., Crestview Hills, Kentucky; John M. Umhau, M.D., Chevy Chase, Maryland; Richard Heimbürger, M.D., St. Louis, Missouri; Mark Martens, M.D., Tulsa, Oklahoma; and Jan N. Basile, M.D., Charleston, South Carolina.

Staff present from Birmingham, Alabama, were Mr. Ed Waldron, Executive Vice President; Mr. Don Casey, Chief Finance Officer; Mr. Luke Hartsfield, Chief Operations Officer; Mrs. Kim Thompson, Assistant to the Executive Vice President Financial Services; and Mrs. Kendra Blackmon, Assistant to the Executive

Vice President for Administration and Leadership Communications.

Dr. Irby welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Dr. Irby explained there were three items to be discussed.

Dr. Irby stated the first item to be reviewed was SMA's line of credit and the collateralization of the promissory note. Ed explained it was the same line of credit with the promissory note commercial agreement reflecting the collateralization of accounts and fixtures. Ed explained that in order to change the collateralization to anything different would require four signatures - the President, President-Elect, Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer. Ed explained this was a common practice and falls within the Sarbanes Oxley Rules.

Motion: It was moved and seconded to accept the collateralization of the line of credit as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Irby stated the second item to be reviewed was the dispensation of the Prudential demutualization proceeds. Ed explained that a great deal of due diligence had been done by the Association to make sure that the areas of concern were covered. Those areas were: 1) SMA's determination of the proper method of dispensation of the demutualization proceeds (including distributing the proceeds to the IRA participants on a pro rata basis) would not cause SMA to be deemed to "operate the plan" and, therefore

subject to ERISA; (2) in any event, that SMA's actual dispensation would not cause SMA to be subject to any taxes or penalties levied by the Department of Labor (DOL) or the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Ed explained that these items were covered as explained in a letter from Rusty Irby dated December 27, 2005 and distributed to Council for review prior to the call. It was noted the amount to be distributed was six million plus. It was noted that in order to protect SMA against any possible claims which may arise, \$350,000 would be withheld for the length of the statute of limitations, which for the state of Alabama is six years. At that time any funds not used will be distributed based on the method set forth.

Motion: It was moved and seconded to accept and proceed with the dispensation of the Prudential demutualization proceeds as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Irby stated the third item to be reviewed was the election of the President-Elect Designate. He noted that two candidates had presented speeches at the Annual Meeting, however, only one of those candidates had met the Bylaws and accompanying Procedures Manual criteria for being eligible to participate in the election. He noted that Dr. Pell had submitted her information by the date requested, however, Dr. Basile's submission was not received in the office until three days past the date. Dr. Irby had Dr. Basile's message sent to Council read for those who had not had a chance to read the message. After further discussion, including the fact that Dr. Basile will be able to run next year and that this was not the first time this type of situation had occurred with other candidates in previous elections, it was agreed that Dr. Pell was the only eligible candidate and the ballot process would take place as a formality.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL
Conference Call
May 23, 2006

CALL TO ORDER

Members of the Council present were, Braxter P. Irby, Jr., MD, President; George S. Ellis, Jr., MD; Charles A. Farmer, MD; Bashir Chaudhary, MD; Andrew Lawton, MD; Paul DeVore, MD; Mark Martens, MD; Veronica Piziak, MD; Robert Klink, MD; Eric Lindstrom, MD; and Peter Kragel, MD.

ROLL CALL

Members unable to participate were, Judy King, MD; Paula Pell, MD; Terry Elliott, MD; Jan Basile, MD; Thomas Bunnell, MD; Richard Heimburger, MD; R. Bruce Shack, MD; and John Umhau, MD.

Staff present were Ed Waldron, Executive Vice-President; Don Casey, Chief Financial Officer; Luke Hartsfield, Chief Operations Officer; and Kendra Blackmon, Assistant to the Executive Vice-President for Annual Meeting Operations and Leadership Communication.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Central Time by the President.

The purpose of the call was to review and ratify the budget package for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

The third quarter financials were reviewed and it was noted the quarter ended in a profit with the reported net income after taxes being above budget.

The budget package for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 was reviewed. The Executive Vice-President stated, "The budget, which was sent to the committee by e-mail and hardcopy FedEx, was prepared by the staff using both trending and valid assumptions based upon the market along with SMA's capabilities and resources. In viewing this budget, it is important prior to viewing the consolidated picture, to view SMA

and the trends associated with it, and then to consider SMA Services, Inc. as a resource which has historically performed in a successful manner, and to further consider the negative effect upon SMA Services as a valuable asset of SMA if the trends indicated in the SMA operations budget continue. Please note that SMA Services will post a 15% profit in the 2006-2007 budget year. SMA Services approved their budget on May 4th in order to be placed in the consolidated picture.

A deficit consolidated budget should be seen as a decrease in our net worth and an issue which impacts upon our operational cash flow and credit worthiness. Things which must be considered carefully and with urgency are:

1. Artificially low dues for a full line medical association.
2. A restructuring of SMA's Annual Scientific Assembly.
3. Changes in our profit/non-profit structure to include an SMA Foundation.
4. A membership recruitment program which will capitalize upon section involvement to preserve our multi-specialty character.

In any case another deficit budget for 2007-2008 is unacceptable for the future of SMA."

It was noted the Council has a fiduciary responsibility to maintain and they should take the lead in this issue, enumerate the problem and devise a plan to solve it that is meaningful and has consequences if not accomplished. It was stated the four above mentioned items needed to be seriously checked into with actions to be completed by the Annual Meeting. After discussion of specific items noted by staff and committee members, a motion

was made to approve the budget.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded to accept the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year Budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.



Annual Meeting Activity



Date	Location	Host Physicians	Other Physicians	Total Physicians	Students	Paramedical Personnel	Technical Exhibitors	Guests	Total
1906-1915	No Record of Attendance								
1916- Nov. 13-16	Atlanta	299	1,247	1,476	55	-	103	233	1,867
1917- Nov. 12-15	Memphis	143	1,025	1,168	46	-	78	184	1,476
1918-	No Meeting- Influenza Pandemic								
1919- Nov. 10-13	Asheville	71	912	983	-	54	85	148	1,270
1920- Nov. 15-18	Louisville	230	872	1,102	114	40	149	171	1,576
1921- Nov. 14-17	Hot Springs	81	993	1,074	-	39	90	241	1,444
1922- Nov. 13-16	Chattanooga	107	1,230	1,337	-	26	129	289	1,781
1923- Nov. 12-15	Washington	333	1,363	1,696	214	26	143	495	2,574
1924- Nov 24-27	New Orleans	352	1,559	1,911	169	15	120	510	2,725
1925- Nov. 9-12	Dallas	310	1,732	2,042	144	19	151	513	2,869
1926- Nov. 15-18	Atlanta	327	1,557	1,884	139	27	174	445	2,669
1927- Nov. 14-17	Memphis	275	1,728	2,003	251	24	212	438	2,928
1928- Nov. 12-15	Asheville	70	1,221	1,291	-	20	154	379	1,844
1929- Nov. 19-22	Miami	163	1,180	1,343	-	19	84	572	2,018
1930- Nov. 11-15	Louisville	258	1,232	1,490	224	21	144	356	2,235
1931- Nov. 18-20	New Orleans	423	1,266	1,689	231	33	154	462	2,569
1932- Nov. 15-18	Birmingham	276	971	1,247	-	32	104	239	1,622
1933- Nov. 14-17	Richmond	264	1,319	1,583	279	61	141	407	2,471
1934- Nov. 13-16	San Antonio	304	1,641	1,945	-	27	141	739	2,852
1935- Nov. 19-22	St. Louis	695	1,999	2,694	690	18	279	614	4,295

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Annual Meeting Registration Record

Date	Location	Host Physicians	Other Physicians	Total Physicians	Students	Paramedical Personnel	Technical Exhibitors	Guests	Total
1936- Nov. 17-20	Baltimore	847	2,365	3,212	660	51	375	581	4,879
1937- Nov. 30- Dec. 3	New Orleans	573	2,238	2,811	736	177	370	1,328	5,422
1938- Nov. 15-18	Oklahoma City	353	1,914	2,267	262	389	342	778	4,038
1939- Nov. 21-24	Memphis	385	1,837	2,222	412	595	300	734	4,263
1940- Nov. 12-15	Louisville	436	1,639	2,075	412	667	361	629	4,144
1941- Nov. 10-13	St. Louis	762	1,944	2,706	683	378	498	774	5,039
1942- Nov. 10-12	Richmond	353	1,130	1,383	337	136	187	392	2,435
1943- Nov. 16-18	Cincinnati	305	1,410	1,715	94	176	255	520	2,760
1944- Nov. 13-16	St. Louis	559	1,557	2,116	441	461	431	762	4,211
1945- Nov. 12-15	Cincinnati	207	1,270	1,477	88	52	269	545	2,431
1946- Nov. 4-7	Miami	443	1,648	2,091	-	135	241	1,074	3,541
1947- Nov. 24-26	Baltimore	949	1,718	2,667	352	407	445	674	4,525
1948- Nov. 25-28	Miami	508	1,087	1,595	27	115	308	629	2,674
1949- Nov. 14-17	Cincinnati	248	1,235	1,483	32	143	264	490	2,412
1950- Nov. 13-17	St. Louis	726	1,391	2,117	472	92	323	644	3,648
1951- Nov. 5-8	Dallas	478	1,575	2,053	160	-	190	850	3,253
1952- Nov. 10-13	Miami	582	1,591	2,173	34	177	246	1,107	3,737
1953- Oct. 26-29	Atlanta	566	1,781	2,347	266	195	325	900	4,033
1954- Nov. 8-11	St. Louis	687	1,614	2,201	614	336	391	772	4,314
1955- Nov. 14-17	Houston	807	1,579	2,386	*	*	676	951	4,013

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Date	Location	Host Physicians	Other Physicians	Total Physicians	Students	Paramedical Personnel	Technical Exhibitors	Guests	Total
1956- Nov. 12-15	Washington	1,083	2,090	3,173	314	*	982	969	5,438
1957- Nov. 11-14	Miami Beach	1,061	2,174	3,235	177	*	721	1,870	6,003
1958- Nov. 3-6	New Orleans	1,256	2,331	3,587	454	*	753	1,327	6,121
1959- Nov. 16-19	Atlanta	685	1,972	2,657	205	*	554	799	4,215
1960- Oct. 31-Nov. 3	St. Louis	628	1,400	2,028	305	*	636	735	3,964
1961- Nov. 6-9	Dallas	854	1,868	2,722	121	*	603	939	4,385
1962- Nov. 12-15	Miami Beach	768	2,255	3,023	99	115	620	1,231	5,088
1963- Nov. 18-21	New Orleans	793	2,712	3,505	545	112	593	1,875	6,630
1964- Nov. 16-19	Memphis	612	1,564	2,176	204	83	418	816	3,697
1965- Nov. 1-4	Houston	564	1,649	2,213	47	68	626	825	3,779
1966- Nov. 14-17	Washington	855	1,570	2,425	65	96	666	669	3,921
1967- Nov. 13-16	Miami Beach	**	**	2,487	55	78	555	607	3,782
1968- Nov. 18-21	New Orleans	672	2,390	3,062	440	177	726	1,314	5,719
1969- Nov. 10-13	Atlanta	452	2,339	2,791	187	78	753	1,224	5,033
1970- Nov. 16-19	Dallas	474	1,819	2,293	82	82	622	1,066	4,145
1971- Nov. 1-4	Miami Beach	526	1,606	2,132	57	119	658	1,256	4,222
1972- Nov. 13-16	New Orleans	785	2,514	3,299	448	178	667	1,387	5,979
1973- Nov. 11-14	San Antonio	**	**	2,347	97	183	628	1,842	4,097
1974- Nov. 17-20	Atlanta	388	2,372	2,760	78	140	451	690	4,119
1975- Nov. 16-19	Miami Beach	**	**	1,979	55	116	466	709	3,325
1976- Nov. 7-10	New Orleans	**	**	2,364	468	154	293	910	4,189

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Annual Meeting Registration Record

Date	Location	Host Physicians	Other Physicians	Total Physicians	Students	Paramedical Personnel	Technical Exhibitors	Guests	Total
1977- Nov. 6-9	Dallas	**	**	1,332	46	50	410	447	2,285
1978- Nov. 11-14	Atlanta	**	**	2,504	65	98	411	1,177	4,255
1979- Nov. 4-7	Las Vegas	**	**	2,142	7	116	334	1,229	3,828
1980- Nov. 16-19	San Antonio	**	**	2,367	25	90	363	832	3,677
1981- Nov. 15-18	New Orleans	**	**	2,376	74	92	419	1,264	4,225
1982- Oct. 30-Nov. 2	Atlanta	**	**	2,614	17	112	473	1,405	4,621
1983- Nov. 6-9	Baltimore	**	**	2,697	31	105	498	1,480	4,811
1984- Nov. 4-7	New Orleans	**	**	2,627	35	81	470	1,619	4,832
1985- Nov. 17-20	Orlando	**	**	2,618	41	82	522	1,585	4,848
1986- Nov. 8-11	Atlanta	**	**	3,141	5	45	493	1,880	5,564
1987- Nov. 1-4	San Antonio	**	**	2,913	61	48	559	1,540	5,121
1988- Nov. 6-9	New Orleans	**	**	4,093	157	117	692	2,360	7,419
1989- Nov. 5-8	Washington	**	**	2,678	49	62	545	1,802	5,136
1990- Oct. 14-17	Nashville	**	**	2,759	42	44	515	1,533	4,893
1991- Nov. 16-19	Atlanta	**	**	2,305	11	15	712	1,333	4,376
1992- Nov. 12-15	San Antonio	389	2,030	2,419	9	47	432	1,202	4,109
1993- Oct. 28-31	New Orleans	648	1,777	2,425	63	45	455	1,207	4,195
1994- Nov. 2-6	Orlando	**	**	2,053	26	27	437	1,165	3,708
1995- Nov. 15-19	Kansas City	390	1,761	2,151	55	23	279	1,463	3,971
1996- Nov. 20-24	Baltimore	325	1,589	1,914	40	20	471	584	3,029
1997- Nov. 6-9	Charlotte	457	1,994	2,451	19	54	412	783	3,719

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Date	Location	Host Physicians	Other Physicians	Total Physicians	Students	Paramedical Personnel	Technical Exhibitors	Guests	Total
1998- Nov. 18-22	New Orleans	384	1,574	1,958	45	90	400	700	3,193
1999- Nov. 10-14	Dallas	421	1,133	1,554	24	57	600	525	2,760
2000- Nov. 1-5 ***	Orlando	241	962	1,203	11	129	230	485	2,058
2001- Nov. 8-10 ***	Nashville	206	900	1,106	18	41	267	419	1,851
2002- Nov. 14-16	Washington	29	643	672	15	13	148	266	1,114
2003- Nov. 6-8	Atlanta	41	683	724	15	141	255	523	1458
2004- Nov.11-13	New Orleans	59	614	673	14	13	148	266	1114
2005- Nov. 10-13	San Antonio	41	617	491	10	47	124	271	1100
* Breakdown not available; included in figure under "Technical Exhibitors."									
** Breakdown not available see "Total Physicians."									
***Excludes "No Shows" - prior years do not.									





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Constitution - Articles of Incorporation

ARTICLE I- NAME

The name of the corporation shall be the Southern Medical Association.

ARTICLE II- PURPOSE

The purposes of the Southern Medical Association (the "Association" or the "Corporation") shall be to develop and foster the art and science of medicine by:

- A) developing and promoting initiatives in medical education;
- B) providing practice-related services to enhance the ability of the members of the Association to serve their patients;
- C) providing activities which encourage membership and collegial interaction among the members of the Association.

The Association shall not at any time take active part in any political or sectarian questions or take concerted action for securing legislative enactments.

ARTICLE III- POWERS

The Corporation shall possess and may exercise all of the powers and privileges granted by the laws of the State of Alabama to nonprofit corporations, together with all powers necessary or convenient to the conduct, promotion or attainment of the activities or purposes of the Corporation, limited only by the restrictions set forth in these Articles of Incorporation; provided, however, that the Corporation shall not engage in activities that are not in furtherance of its charitable purposes other than as an insubstantial part of its activities.

ARTICLE IV- TERM OF EXISTENCE

The term for which the Corporation is to exist shall be perpetual. In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in

Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or the Federal, State or local government for exclusive public purposes.

ARTICLE V- MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Active Members.

The membership of this Association shall be by invitation to physicians who are eligible to be members of the following state medical societies: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia who are sponsored by the respective state Councilor, to invited medical officers of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Public Health Service and Veterans Administration on active duty, and to invited members of the Puerto Rico Medical Association who are citizens of the United States of America.

SECTION 2. Associate, Emeritus and Other Members.

This Association may have such classes of associate, emeritus and other memberships as may be provided for in the Bylaws of this Constitution.

ARTICLE VI- OFFICERS

SECTION 1. Officers of the Association.

The officers of the Association shall be a President, President-Elect, Immediate Past-President, Trustees, Councilors, and an Executive Vice-President. There shall also be officers of each Section of the Association.

SECTION 2. Elected Officers

A. General Officers. The President shall automatically be that person who was elected and served as President-Elect during the previous year. The Immediate Past-President

shall be that person who served as President during the previous year. The President-Elect shall be that person who has won the election process for that position as outlined in the Bylaws. The results of the elections shall with the report of the Council shall be submitted to the membership as the final order of business at the first general session of an annual meeting.

B. Councilors. The Councilors shall be elected by the states as provided in the Bylaws - one from each of the states and the District of Columbia enumerated in ARTICLE V- Membership, Section 1. Active Members and shall serve for five years, and shall be eligible for one and only one re-election after at least a five-year hiatus following their first term. The Councilor terms expire with the close of annual meetings. The Council shall be the governing body of the Association. It shall have jurisdiction over all questions involving the rights and standings of members, whether in relation to other members or to this Association. All matters brought before the general sessions or Sections shall be referred to the Council for consideration.

C. Section Officers. The officers of each Section may consist of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary, and when so desired by the members of the Section, a Chairman-Elect and/or Secretary-Elect as an additional officer or in place of the Vice-Chairman, elected annually by the members of the respective Sections at a regular session of the Section during an annual meeting. Section Officers must assume office at the end of the annual meeting during which they were elected and shall be members of the Association. A Section Officer may serve up to three years, as desired by the members of the Section, in any position except Secretary-Elect, whose term shall be one year.

SECTION 3. Appointed Officers.

A. Administrative Officers.

An Executive Vice-President shall be selected by the Council, with salary, duties, and tenure of office to be determined by the Council.

ARTICLE VII- SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

SECTION 1. Annual Meetings.

The Association shall hold an annual meeting during which there shall be not less than two general sessions, one of which may be devoted to the business of the Association and restricted exclusively to the membership when so determined by the Council or by the Executive Committee of the Council or upon a petition filed by not less than twenty-five members of the Association; there may be meetings of the Executive Committee of the Council and the Council, scientific Section sessions, technical and scientific exhibits, and such general programs as may be arranged by the Section Officers in cooperation with the Committee on Scientific Activities. The time and place for holding each annual meeting shall be fixed by the Council.

SECTION 2. Scientific Sections.

The Association may from time to time constitute and designate Scientific Sections of the Association, which shall be organized and shall perform such duties and responsibilities as may be from time to time designated.

SECTION 3. Publications. The Association shall own and publish the *Southern Medical Journal*, which shall be the official organ of the Association, and other such publications which may be provided for by the Association. The Association may designate such ownerships of publications as deemed advisable.

ARTICLE VIII- SEAL

The Association shall have a common seal, with power to break, change, or renew the same at pleasure.

ARTICLE IX- REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE

The address of the registered office of the Association is 35 Lakeshore Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35209.

ARTICLE X- AMENDMENTS

The Association may, at any annual meeting, amend the Articles of Incorporation by a two-third's affirmative vote of the members present and voting during a general session of that meeting, provided the amendment has been presented to the membership at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE XI - REQUIREMENTS OF THE ALABAMA NONPROFIT BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND SECTION 501(c)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

The foregoing clauses of these Articles of Incorporation shall be exercised subject to and consistently with the following affirmative duties:

- (i) The corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code ("Code") or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code;
- (ii) The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing in such a manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4941(d) of the Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code;
- (iii) The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings so as to subject it to tax under Section 4943(c) of the Code

or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code;

- (iv) The corporation shall not make any investments in such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944 of the Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code; and
- (v) The corporation shall not make any taxable expenditures so as to subject it to tax under Section 4945(d) of the Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Bylaws

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Classification

There shall be the following classes of members.

A. Active Members

1. The active membership of this Association shall be by invitation to physicians who are eligible to be members of the state medical societies of any state medical society in the United States, District of Columbia, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico; to medical officers of the uniformed services on active duty and Veterans Administration. The Association may include International Members composed of physicians who are eligible for membership in medical associations in the country where they reside and practice medicine.
2. Active Members shall have full privileges of Association membership, including the right to hold office, vote, and receive the publications of the Association.
3. Active Members shall pay full dues to the Association, either annually or by payment of a life membership fee. Active Members who retire from practice may become active retired members at a rate of 50% of the current dues structure.

B. Associate Members

The Association may have the following classes of Associate Members:

- Class 1.** A licensed allied health professional who is a member of his/her professional association; or a physician assistant or nurse practitioner;
- Class 2.** An intern, resident, or fellow, not yet a member of a state medical society and medical students of accredited

medical schools as well as interns, residents and fellows at accredited osteopathic training programs in the United States, District of Columbia, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico.

1. Associate Members shall neither hold office nor be entitled to vote.
2. Associate Members under Class 2 shall not pay dues, and may receive the publications of the Association by personal subscription at a reduced rate.

C. Interim Members

An Interim Member shall be a physician who is otherwise eligible for membership in the Association or an Associate Member in Class 1 or 2, and who has been invited by the Association to become an Interim Member. The term of membership of Interim Members shall be determined by the Council. Interim Members shall not be eligible to vote or hold office.

D. Honorary Members

The Association may designate Honorary Members who shall be composed of those physicians whose contribution to the promotion of medical science is recognized by the Association in conferring such membership. Honorary Members shall have all privileges of other members of the Association. They shall not be eligible to vote, hold office, or pay dues.

E. Ex Officio Members

The Association may designate Ex Officio Members who shall be composed of those persons who by virtue of their positions as active Deans of Medical Schools or other institutions of learning are conferred membership by the Council

of the Association.

Ex Officio Members shall have all privileges of other members of the Association except that they shall not be eligible to vote or hold office.

Ex Officio Members shall not be dues paying members.

F. Emeritus Members

An Active Member in good standing who is over 70 years of age, and who has been a member for a period of twenty-five (25) years is eligible for Emeritus Membership.

Emeritus Members shall not pay dues but shall enjoy all privileges of the Association, except they may not hold office.

G. Medical Practice Services Members

Membership is available to any medical practice where at least one physician of the practice is an Active Member of the Association.

H. Corporate Members

Corporate membership may be available to any medical practice where all physicians are individual members of the Association and non-physician staff are eligible to participate in the programs and services offered through the medical practice membership. Corporate members pay dues as established by the Council.

I. Institutional Members

The Association may have Institutional Members composed of Physicians who are members of medical associations, which have entered into affiliation agreements with the Association for educational programs, and other programs of the Association.

Section 2. Application for Membership

The Association reserves the right to accept or reject any applicant for membership.

Section 3. Termination of Membership

Any member who is subject to a license revocation or suspension by a state board of medical examiners or comparable licensing agency shall automatically forfeit his/her membership in the Association.

The Association may at any Annual Meeting, on recommendation of the Council, suspend or expel any member of the Association by a majority vote of those present and voting.

Section 4. Reinstatement

A former member who membership in the Association has been terminated may, after a period of one year, reapply for membership in the Association if that member's license has been reinstated. Such application shall be referred to and acted on by the Council.

ARTICLE II. DUES

Section 1. Annual Membership Dues

The dues of this Association shall be established by the Council.

Section 2. Non-Payment of Dues

Any member whose dues are unpaid on the member's anniversary date shall thereafter be deemed a member not in good standing and shall be ineligible after such date for any benefits of membership. On a full payment of the member's arrearage, the member shall be automatically reinstated as a member in good standing from the date of suspension.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected Officers

Elected officers of this

Association shall be a President, a President-Elect, an Immediate Past-President, a President-Elect Designate, and Councilors.

Section 2. Appointed Officers

The appointed officers of the Association shall consist of the Executive Vice-President.

Section 3. Qualifications

To be eligible for the office of President-Elect of the Association such person shall be a member in good standing of the Association and a current Councilor with at least two years experience in his/her present term as Councilor.

To be eligible for the office of Councilor, such person shall be a member in good standing of the Association and either currently be a Section Officer, or an Associate Councilor, or have been an Associate Councilor, or Past Councilor, or have served in a leadership role in the Association within the last five years.

Section 4. Term of Office

A. The term of the elected officers shall be five years for Councilor and one year for other officers commencing at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting at which such officers' election results are announced.

B. Each elected or appointed officer shall serve the term designated or until his/her successor is elected or appointed.

Section 5. Election Process for President-Elect

Eligible Councilors will declare their intent to run for the office of President-Elect by the last regular business day of the calendar year prior to the election.

Section 6. Election Process for

Councilor

Councilors will be elected by mail ballot by all eligible active members within the state. The process will begin with the outgoing Councilor nominating four individuals who have agreed to serve as Councilor. Nominees for Councilor must meet the qualifications outlined in Section 3. of this Article.

Section 7. Vacancy in Office

A. A vacancy in any elected office other than that of President or Immediate Past President shall be filled by going through the respective election process again.

B. A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the President-Elect for the remainder of that term of office.

Section 8. Duties of Officers

A. President

1. The President shall preside at all general sessions of an Annual Meeting and all functions at which the Association is host.

2. The President may deliver an annual address at the general session to be held at a time and place decided upon by the Executive Committee of the Council.

3. The President shall be the Chairman of the Council and of the Executive Committee of the Council, but shall not be eligible to vote for the election of a President-Elect except to cast a vote in the event of a tie. He/She shall preside at all meetings of the Council and of the Executive Committee.

4. The President shall provide advising consent to the Committee on Scientific Activities in the formulation of the program for the Annual Scientific Assembly.

5. The President shall appoint, on nomination by the respective

Councilor, up to five Associate Councilors from each state or district.

6. The President shall report to the membership of the Association at its Annual Meetings on the activities of the Council during the interval between Annual Meetings and shall recommend to the membership such actions as are appropriate under these Bylaws.

7. The President or any two members of the Executive Committee may convene a meeting of the Executive Committee.

8. The President shall appoint the members of the Presidential Committee on Special Awards.

9. The President shall appoint members of committees and chairmen of such committees in accordance with these Bylaws except as otherwise provided.

10. The President shall carry out the planning of the Annual Meeting of the membership.

11. The President shall serve as an ex officio member of all committees of the Association, except the Committee on Selections.

12. The President shall fulfill such other duties as may pertain to the office of President.

B. President-Elect

1. The President-Elect shall assist the President in the discharge of his/her duties and in the absence of the President shall assume such duties.

2. The President-Elect shall serve as Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Executive Committee.

3. The President-Elect shall serve as Chairman of the Presidential Committee on Special Awards and shall have such other duties and responsibilities as may be required of the office.

4. The President-Elect shall serve

as Chairman of the Presidential Committee on Endowments, of the Presidential Committee on Affiliated Societies and of the Presidential Committee on Selections.

5. The President-Elect shall, in the absence of the President, preside at the meetings of the Council and of the Executive Committee.

6. The President-Elect shall act as Parliamentarian at all meetings of the Council, the Executive Committee and the membership.

7. The President-Elect shall serve as a liaison to the Association's Alliance.

C. President-Elect Designate

The President-Elect Designate shall remain as Councilor until he/she takes office as President-Elect. He/She will serve as a member of the Executive Committee.

D. Executive Vice-President

The duties and responsibilities of the Executive Vice-President shall be as stated in Article VI, Section 1.

E. Councilors

1. Composition of Council

The Council shall consist of twenty members, three of whom shall be the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past-President. The other seventeen shall be the Councilors, elected by the states and the District of Columbia, as provided in these Bylaws.

2. Annual Meeting of Council

The Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held at such time and place as may be set by the President, during or immediately preceding the general Annual Meeting of the Association.

3. Quorum for Meetings of Council

The quorum for any meeting of the Council shall be a majority of the members of Council.

4. Council Authority

a. The Council shall be the governing body of the Association.

b. The Council shall govern the Association as stated in the Constitution, Bylaws, and Policy and Procedure Manual.

c. The Council shall have and exercise between meetings of the Association the following power and authority over the affairs of the Association.

1. It shall cause to be established Committees and Sections in accordance with these bylaws and shall designate the President to appoint the members of such Committees and Sections.

2. It shall be charged with the responsibility to cause to be conducted annually an audit of the financial affairs of the Association.

3. It shall, subject to these bylaws, establish policies and procedures for the conduct of the affairs of the Association.

4. It shall appoint the Executive Vice-President of the Association and the Editor of the Southern Medical Journal.

5. It shall establish the fiscal year of the Association.

d. Any Councilor shall be subject to removal from such office by the President upon the concurrence in that action of two-thirds of the members of the Council.

5. Duties of Councilors

a. Councilors shall represent the State or the District in which the Councilor resides or practices.

b. Each Councilor will represent the Association to the members in his/her State or District and seek to encourage membership in and participation in the activities of the Association.

c. Each Councilor shall attend the meetings of the Council, including conference call meetings.

d. Each Councilor shall responsibly provide a primary and secondary means for all communications, and shall respond in a timely manner.

e. Each Councilor shall develop an active relationship with the Deans of their respective Medical Schools.

f. Each Councilor shall perform such other duties as may be designated by his/her position.

g. Councilors shall be responsible for developing leadership qualities in their state's leadership group resulting in a continuum of councilor succession in the state.

ARTICLE IV. ASSOCIATE COUNCILOR

Each Councilor who represents a state or the District of Columbia shall nominate for appointment by the President, up to five physician members from such Councilor's territory who shall be designated as Associate Councilors. A past Councilor may be considered for appointment as an Associate Councilor without having to serve any waiting period following the completion of a term as Councilor.

A. Duties

Associate Councilors shall be charged with the duty and responsibility to stimulate interest in all activities of the Association with particular emphasis on membership, and to assist their respective Councilor in any way. In the temporary absence of the Councilor, the Councilor, with the permission of the President, may appoint one of the Associate

Councilors to act in his/her stead as a member of the Council, but voting will be done by absentee ballot by the Councilor.

B. Term of Office

The term of office of the Associate Councilors shall be at the pleasure of the current Councilor and concurrent with the term of the Councilor who represents the State or District in which the Associate Councilor resides or practices.

ARTICLE V. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Composition

The Executive Committee of the Council shall consist of the Immediate Past President, President, President-Elect, and President-Elect Designate of the Association.

Section 2. Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Executive Committee

The President and President-Elect shall serve as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of both the Council and the Executive Committee of the Council.

Section 3. Duties of Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the Council shall act for the Council between meetings of the Council to consider special matters and report its findings and conclusions to the Council. Any matters of such urgency that they feel should not be held over to the Council meeting shall be acted upon by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VI. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

Section 1. Executive Vice-President

There shall be an Executive Vice-President who shall be

responsible for implementing the policies and direction of the Council; execute and administer Association programs; and manage the day-to-day operation of the Association. The Executive Vice-President shall employ and direct all staff personnel, full and part-time, including the assignment of duties of such employees. In this capacity, he/she shall be generally charged with engaging, promoting, and assigning duties and tasks to all staff personnel, shall seek to expand the membership and participation of the Association and its activities, shall be generally charged to receive and administer funds of the Association, shall represent the Association to the public and to other Associations, and shall perform such other tasks and duties as may be delegated or assigned to him/her by the Council. He/She shall act as the Managing Editor of the Southern Medical Journal and other publications of the Association.

Section 2. Editor

The Editor shall have the following areas of responsibilities:

1. Shall be responsible for the non-advertising portion of the Southern Medical Journal, and other publications of the Association, including the preparation of editorials, the selection and editing of scientific articles, and the general format with approval of the Executive Vice-President.
2. May appoint or recommend the employment of assistant or associate editors and/or an Editorial Board with the consent of the Council.
3. Shall review, or cause to be reviewed, any books which in his/her discretion merit the publication of a review in the Southern Medical Journal.

4. Shall establish practical mechanics for handling manuscripts and other materials for publication with the consent of the Executive Vice-President.
5. May employ necessary secretarial assistance with the consent of the Executive Vice-President.
6. May perform such other duties as may be assigned.

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Coordinating Committees

There shall be five Coordinating Committees to be known as:

1. Coordinating Committee on Education.
2. Coordinating Committee on Membership.
3. Coordinating Committee on Insurance and Physicians' Retirement Program.
4. Coordinating Committee on Budget/Administration.
5. Coordinating Committee on Long-Range Planning.

A. Chairman

The Chairman of each Coordinating Committee shall be appointed by the President annually, but cannot serve more than five consecutive years.

B. Composition of Coordinating Committees

1. Each of the Coordinating Committees shall have from three to nine members appointed annually by the President.
2. The Chairman of each Advisory and Ad Hoc Committee shall be made a member of the appropriate Coordinating Committee. No person shall serve more than eight years as combined member and chairman.
3. The President shall be an ex

officio member of all Coordinating Committees.

Section 2. Advisory Committees

There may be eight Advisory Committees known as:

1. Advisory Committee on Scientific Activities.
2. Advisory Committee on Grants and Scholarships.
3. Advisory Committee on Multi-Media Programs.
4. Advisory Committee on Constitution and Bylaws.
5. Advisory Committee on New Physicians.
6. Advisory Committee on Practice Management Services.
7. Advisory Committee on Special Projects and Services.
8. Advisory Committee on Management Compensation.

A. Chairman of Advisory Committee

1. The Chairman shall be appointed annually by the President.
2. No person shall serve more than eight years as combined member and chairman.

B. Composition of Advisory Committees

1. Each Advisory Committee shall have from three to nine members who may be Councilors, Associate Councilors, or members of the Association.
2. Each Advisory Committee member shall be appointed annually by the President.
3. The President shall be an ex officio member of each Advisory Committee.
4. No person shall be eligible to serve for more than six consecutive years as a committee member, except the Chairman.

Section 3. Presidential Committees

A. There shall be two Presidential Committees known as:

1. Presidential Committee on Special Awards.
2. Presidential Committee on Selection.

B. There may be two Presidential Committees known as:

1. Presidential Committee on Endowments.
2. Presidential Committee on Affiliated Societies.

Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees

Ad Hoc Committees may be appointed by the President as may be deemed necessary.

Section 5. Duties and Responsibilities of Coordinating, Advisory, and Presidential Committees

A. Coordinating Committee on Education:

Shall coordinate the activities of the Committee on Scientific Activities, the Committee on Multi-Media Programs and such Ad Hoc Committees as shall be annually assigned to it. The Coordinating Committee on Education shall be responsible for supervising all publications and educational conferences related to education of the Association acting in both a regulatory and advisory capacity. Suggested changes to any publication must be reviewed and approved by the Editor(s) and Executive Vice-President.

A-1. Advisory Committee on Scientific Activities

The Committee on Scientific Activities shall be vested with the responsibility for the formulation and content of the scientific activities of the Annual Meeting.

A-2. Advisory Committee on Multi Media Programs

It shall be the duty of this committee to review education

programs developed for dissemination through electronic mediums and audio/video mediums.

B. Coordinating Committee on Membership

The activities of the Coordinating Committee on Membership shall have as a goal the recruitment and retention of members. This committee, along with staff, will monitor and analyze recruitment and retention programs in order to communicate the message of the value of membership in the Association to physicians at large. This committee shall coordinate the activities of the Advisory Committee on New Physicians and such Ad Hoc Committees as shall be annually assigned to it.

B-1. Advisory Committee on New Physicians

It shall be duty of this committee to review specific program areas and services that would be of interest to new physicians. The Committee will also generate an annual list of both Educational Programs and Membership Services that would meet the perceived needs of physicians in the under forty-age category.

C. Coordinating Committee on Insurance and Physicians' Retirement Program

This Committee shall periodically review the insurance and physicians' retirement program of the Association to insure that the interest of participants is adequately protected.

D. Coordinating Committee on Budget/Administration

This Committee shall coordinate the activities of the Advisory Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, the Advisory Committee

on Grants and Scholarships, the Advisory Committee on Practice Management Services, the Advisory Committee on Special Projects and Services, the Advisory Committee on Management Compensation and such AdHocCommitteesshallbeannually assigned to it. This committee shall consist of the President, President-Elect, and Immediate Past-President, who shall chair the committee, and six (6) members at large from the Council appointed by the President. The members at large should serve rotating terms in a manner that maximizes continuity.

D-1. Advisory Committee on Constitution and Bylaws

It shall be the duty of this Committee to periodically review the Constitution and Bylaws, Policy and Procedure Manual, and to receive suggestions from members of the Association relative to any changes, which should be made and to bring the suggested changes before the Coordinating Committee on Budget/Administration for approval and recommendations to the Council.

D-2. Advisory Committee on Grants and Scholarships

It shall be the duty of this Committee to formulate and recommend policies and criteria for awarding grants and scholarships available through the Association.

D-3. Advisory Committee on Special Projects and Services

This Committee shall review such potential projects and services proposed to be conducted by the Association as may from time to time be submitted to the Committee for its study and recommendations or which the Committee may independently select for study.

D-4. Advisory Committee on Practice Management Services

This Committee shall periodically review the practice management services products offered by SMA's wholly owned subsidiary SMA Services, Inc. and shall make recommendations to enhance participation in these programs.

D-5. Advisory Committee on Management Compensation

This Committee shall be responsible for the development and implementation of an equitable and competitive compensation program for the Association's senior management staff. It shall be responsible for the annual performance evaluation of the Executive Vice-President. The Committee shall consist of six members including the President, who shall chair the Committee, President-Elect, Immediate Past-President and three members at large appointed by the President each year with rotating terms.

E. Coordinating Committee on Long Range Planning

This Committee shall select the time, location, and agenda of periodic study sessions for the Council. These sessions are to be spent considering past, present, and future opportunities of the Association. Recommendations are to be given to the Executive Committee for approval and presentation to the Council.

F. Presidential Committee on Special Awards

A confidential Committee on Special Awards consisting of five members with the President-Elect as Chairman shall be appointed by the President to evaluate the contributions of the various candidates for special

awards.

G. Presidential Committee on Selections

This Committee shall seek, receive, and consider names for all elected officers with the exception of the Section Officers. The members of this Committee shall consist of four Councilors and two members at large who may be, but are not necessarily, Councilors as appointed by the President-Elect, who shall chair this Committee. The appointment of this Committee will be on an annual basis, but no person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive annual terms.

H. Presidential Committee on Endowments

This Committee shall provide direction for the development, visibility and viability of the Research and Education Foundation, a permanent endowment established to ultimately fund the Association's Grants and Scholarships programs.

I. Presidential Committee on Affiliated Societies

This Committee shall discuss common goals, objectives, and programs among the various affiliated societies and identify ways of effecting stronger working relationships between the Association and the Affiliated Societies. This Committee shall consist of the President of each of the Affiliated Societies and shall be chaired by the President-Elect of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII. ANNUAL MEETING

Section 1. Annual Meeting

There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Association, which shall be at such time and place as shall be determined by the Council, and reasonable prior notice of the time

and place of holding such Annual Meeting shall be given to all members of the Association. At all business sessions the attendance of not fewer than twenty members shall constitute a quorum to conduct business.

Section 2. Composition of Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting shall consist of such sessions to include Business, Scientific, Educational, and such other endeavors as may be designated for consideration.

Section 3. Scientific Sections of the Annual Meeting

The Scientific Sections of the Association may hold such sessions as may be arranged by the Section Secretaries with the approval of the Committee on Scientific Activities.

Section 4. Creation of New Sections and Abolition of Existing Sections

New Sections may be created by vote of the Council. Recommendations to abolish a Scientific Section may be made to the Council when that Section's participation, interest, and attendance warrant review over a period of two years.

Section 5. Section Officers

The following Section Officers may be elected by the Section under such procedures and rules as may from time to time be adopted by each section:

A. Chairman

1. The Chairman shall perform such duties as may be provided by the rules of the Section.

2. The Chairman shall be responsible for assisting the Secretary in selecting Section abstracts and posters when appropriate, for the Annual Meeting, and coordinating

the Section business meeting at the Annual Meeting.

3. The Chairman, in cooperation with the Secretary, shall be responsible for enhancing participation in Section activities through Section promotion, membership recruitment activities, and improved quality and content of the program.

B. Vice-Chairman

The Vice-Chairman shall assist the Chairman in his/her duties and preside over the Section meetings in the absence of the Chairman.

C. Secretary

1. The Secretary shall be responsible for selecting Section abstracts and posters, when appropriate, for the Annual Meeting.

2. The Secretary shall be the official correspondent with the headquarters office.

3. The Secretary shall maintain or cause to be maintained the records of the Scientific Section.

4. The Secretary shall consult with the Association Membership Services Department to determine if the prospective nominees for Section Officers are eligible to hold office prior to their nomination.

5. The Secretary shall be responsible for collecting papers, when appropriate, presented at an Annual Meeting and forwarding them to the Association offices along with the list of newly elected Section Officers.

6. The Secretary shall attend the annual Section Secretaries' Conference, when scheduled, after the Annual Meeting for the purpose of formulating the general schedule of scientific sessions for the Annual Meeting in cooperation with the

Advisory Committee on Scientific Activities.

D. Secretary-Elect

1. The Secretary-Elect shall make himself/herself acquainted with the duties of the Secretary and attend the Section Secretaries' Conference, when scheduled.

2. The Secretary-Elect shall perform such other duties as may be appointed.

Section 6. Section Officer Requirements and Terms

A. All sections are required to have a Secretary, Chairman and Secretary-Elect. Sections may elect to have additional officers such as a Vice-Chairman and Chairman-Elect. The Secretary and Chairman shall be elected for a term of up to three (3) years. The term for Secretary-Elect shall be one year. Sections may elect to vary terms of office with the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Scientific Activities.

B. The Secretary-Elect shall serve during the final year of the incumbent Secretary's term.

Section 7. Scientific Section Steering Committees.

A. The Scientific Section Committees may have a formal Steering Committee at the election of such Committee. If constituted, the Steering Committee shall be made up of the current Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, the Chairman-Elect, if this office is utilized by the Section, and the three immediate past Chairmen. The duties of the Section Steering Committee shall include:

1. Aid in planning the work of the Section;
2. Evaluation of papers read

before the Section for possible publication;

3. Serve as a Section nominating committee;

4. Fill vacancies that occur among Section Officers;

5. Perform such other duties, as they appear necessary.

ARTICLE IX. SPECIAL AWARDS

Section 1. Distinguished Service Award

There shall be a Distinguished Service Award of the Association, which may be awarded annually to any member of the Association.

Section 2. Seale Harris Award

There shall be a Seale Harris Award, which may be awarded annually to any member of the Association as recognition for important research accomplishment in the broad field of metabolism, endocrinology, nutrition, or for research, which contributes to a better understanding of the chemical changes occurring in disease.

Section 3. Original Research Award

There shall be an Original Research Award of the Association, consisting of a medal and a cash prize, which may be awarded annually in recognition of original research in clinical medicine or the basic science as applied to medicine.

ARTICLE X. SOUTHERN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION ALLIANCE

There shall be an Alliance of the Southern Medical Association that will function under the jurisdiction of the Council. The Executive Committee of the Council will be the Advisory Committee to the Alliance. Financial support to the Alliance may be granted at the discretion of the Council. The fiscal year will coincide with that of the Association.

ARTICLE XI. RULES OF ORDER

The rules contained in the current edition of Roberts' Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the proceedings of the Association in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws or special Rules of Order which the Association may adopt.

ARTICLE XII. INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND AGENTS OF THE SOUTHERN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Every person who is, or has been, a Councilor, Officer, Employee or Agent of the Association, or of a subsidiary or of an affiliate owned or controlled by the Association, shall be indemnified by the Association in a manner and to the extent authorized and permitted by the Alabama Nonprofit Corporation Act. The foregoing rights of indemnifications shall be without prejudice to any other rights to which any such Councilor, Officer, Employee or Agent may be entitled as a matter of law.

ARTICLE XIII. AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended at any Annual Meeting by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the members present and voting at a General Session of that Meeting after the Amendment has been presented in writing to the Council prior to the meeting and copies of the changes are disseminated to the membership attending the meeting.

Procedures Manual

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Classification

There shall be the following classes of members:

- A. Active
- B. Associate Members
- C. Interim Members
- D. Honorary Members
- E. Ex Officio Members
- F. Emeritus Members
- G. Medical Practice Services Members
- H. Corporate Members
- I. Institutional Members

A. Active Members

Active Members excused from the payment of Association dues shall have the right to vote and hold office, but still not receive publications of the Association except by personal subscription. Nothing in this or following sections shall be construed to be retroactive to affect previously classified Honorary Members

- 1. International Members
 - If they receive the Southern Medical Journal, there will be a surcharge to their dues.

B. Associate Members

Associate Members under Class 1 shall pay regular annual dues at a rate determined by Council and shall receive publications of the Association by personal subscription at a reduced rate.

- C. Interim Members
- D. Honorary Members
- E. Ex Officio Members
- F. Emeritus Members
- G. Medical Practice Service Members
 - Non-physician staff

employed by the medical practice services member are eligible to participate in the programs and services offered through the medical practice membership.

- Non-physician staff are eligible by virtue of the fact that the medical practice pays the dues established for this membership category by the Council.

H. Corporate Members

- Physician and non-physician members in the Corporate Program are eligible for special rates on products as defined by the Association.

I. Institutional Members

- The privileges and dues of such members shall be as specified in the affiliation agreements but they shall not be greater than the privileges or dues of dues paying Associate Members.

Section 2. Application for Membership

- Application for membership in this Association shall be made in writing or electronically via the Internet.

Section 3. Termination of Membership

Section 4. Reinstatement

ARTICLE II. DUES

Section 1. Annual Membership Dues

- Payable in advance annually on the member's anniversary date.

- Membership shall begin on the date of application, provided the application for membership is approved.

- The Council shall also be authorized to establish Life Membership fees.

Section 2. Non-Payment of Dues

- If such member's dues remain unpaid for three months after the member's anniversary date,

the member shall be automatically suspended at the end of such period.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected Officers

Section 2. Appointed Officers

Section 3. Qualifications

Section 4. Term of Office

Section 5. Election Process for President-Elect

• Eligible Councilors will be notified regarding election process six weeks prior to the Annual Assembly.

• Eligible Councilors will be provided the opportunity to address the Council during the meeting held at the Annual Assembly not to exceed a two minute presentation.

• Eligible Councilors are required to submit standardized information relating to their accomplishments and involvement in the Association along with a letter stating his or her motivation to become President of the Association to the Association's office in writing by the time designated in Article III, Section 5, of the Bylaws or before.

• This information will be sent to the Council along with the ballot by January 15.

• The ballot must be returned to an independent auditor identified by the Association no later than February 1.

• The ballots will be counted within five (5) working days after due date in the presence of the independent auditor, either the President, President-Elect, Immediate Past-President, or Councilor representative appointed by the President and the Association's representative(s).

• The Council will vote in rank order for two candidates from among those listed on the ballot. Two points will be awarded for the "first choice" candidate and one point for the

"second choice" candidate.

• The two candidates receiving the most points will be selected as the candidates to be placed on the final ballot.

• In case of a tie, the President will have the responsibility of selecting from among those candidates tied with the most points the two that will be presented to the Council.

• A final ballot will be mailed to the Council by February 15 on which the names of the two candidates will be listed along with the standardized information provided to the Council.

• The Council will select which of the two candidates will become President-Elect.

• Ballots must be returned to the independent auditor by March 1 in order to be counted.

• The President will be responsible for breaking any tie.

• The ballots will be counted within five (5) working days after due date in the presence of the independent auditor, either the President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, or Councilor representative appointed by the President and the Association's representative(s).

Section 6. Election Process for Councilor

• Should a Councilor feel he/she does not have four eligible candidates, a letter of explanation for a lesser number will be accepted.

• The Selections Committee will choose two names from those sought, received or considered by the Committee to be placed upon a ballot to be distributed to all eligible voting members in the state along with a brief written synopsis of each candidate's accomplishments, personal data and statement of why

that individual would like to serve as Councilor.

- Election will be managed through the Association headquarters which will maintain election results and supporting ballots for a period of six months.

- The winner will be the candidate who receives the simple majority of ballots cast and received by the election deadline.

- The President shall cast a vote only in the unlikely event of a tie vote between the candidates.

- The election winners will be announced approximately 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting in order that the Councilors-Elect can make travel plans to be present for the meeting at which they will assume office.

Section 7. Vacancy in Office

- The Selections Committee will contact the Associate Councilors and other state leadership, in the event of a Councilor vacancy, to arrive at a new list of candidates for the ballot.

Section 8. Duties of Officers

A. President

- The President shall appoint members of the Association to carry out duties of local arrangements in conjunction with the Annual Scientific Assembly.

B. President-Elect

C. President-Elect Designate

D. Executive Vice-President

E. Councilors

1. Composition of Council
2. Annual Meeting of Council
3. Quorum for Meetings of Council

4. Council Authority

5. Duties of Councilors

- Each Councilor shall develop, monitor and adjust a State Action Plan detailing the promotional and communication activities

conducted by the Councilor and Associate Councilor.

- Councilors shall monitor the development and implementation of their respective states action plans, as well as progress by the Associate Councilors.

- Each Councilor will prepare and submit a quarterly report to the President.

- Each Councilor shall prepare and present an in-depth report on their activities at the Summer Meeting of the Council.

- Each Councilor shall nominate Associate Councilors as outlined in the SMA Bylaws and submit their nominations in timely fashion to the President for review and appointment. Each Councilor shall also maintain regular communication with each Associate Councilor to direct and monitor their efforts and progress.

- Councilors shall assist in the review and promotion of Medical Student Scholarship and Residency Training Loans Program.

- Each Councilor shall work in conjunction with appropriate staff to develop personalized letters to assist in membership recruitment and retention efforts on a state level.

- The Association's reimbursement policies are closely scrutinized by the IRS. We urge you to closely review these policies as they pertain to programs for which you will be reimbursed.

6. Notice of Meeting of Council

- At least ten days prior to a meeting written notice shall be given to members of the Council of the date, time and place for holding of the Annual Meeting of Council.

- The Council may hold such additional meetings as deemed necessary.

7. Special Meetings of Council
A special meeting of the Council shall be called by the President to accomplish any business of the Council or shall be called at the written request of any three Councilors. Notice of special meetings shall be the same as for the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE IV. ASSOCIATE COUNCILOR

ARTICLE V. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ARTICLE VI. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

Section 1. Executive Vice-President

Section 2. Editor

Report on a quarterly basis to the Chairperson of the Coordinating Committee on Education, the status of the SMJ and its projects.

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Coordinating Committees

No person shall serve more than eight years as combined member and Chairperson.

Section 2. Advisory Committees

Section 3. Presidential Committees

Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees

Ad Hoc Committees may be appointed annually by the President to undertake such activities as shall be designated for such committee and shall have constitution and duration and shall make reports as shall be designated.

Section 5. Duties and Responsibilities of Coordinating, Advisory, and Presidential Committees

A. Coordinating Committee on Education:

A-1. Advisory Committee on Scientific Activities

The Committee shall include in its scope of activities the following:

The format and content of the scientific sessions of the Annual Meeting;

The development and assignment of a scientific theme or themes for the Annual Meeting in cooperation with the Section Secretaries;

The design and nature of postgraduate courses, workshops, specialty and multi-disciplinary programs for the Annual Meeting;

Shall maintain a liaison with:

a. Medical School faculties and students in the site of the Annual Meeting;

b. Specialty and sub-specialty organizations;

c. Allied health science organizations, and cooperate with them, in developing and designing of scientific programs and continuing education activities;

Shall be responsible for the selection and judging of scientific exhibits shown at the Annual Meeting;

Shall be responsible for monitoring and evaluating scientific activities of the Annual Meeting;

May serve as an advisory group to the Section Secretaries in developing their Section specialty programs, when appropriate, and coordinating and assisting the Secretaries in arranging combined Section meetings.

A-2. Advisory Committee on Multi Media Programs

B. Coordinating Committee on Membership

B-1. Advisory Committee on New Physicians

This committee will oversee activities of the Association with respect to resident physicians and provide insight and suggestions regarding programs and/or services that pertain to resident physicians.

C. Coordinating Committee on Insurance and Physicians' Retirement Program

· Work in liaison with the administrator and/or underwriters to ensure the success of the program, and to see that the interests of participants are adequately protected.

· Periodically review the Physicians' Retirement Program of the Association and work in liaison with the staff of the Association.

D. Coordinating Committee on Budget/Administration

· It shall also be the duty of this Committee to meet at least annually to review the staff pension plan(s) and recommend changes that might improve the employee benefits package and to review any personnel problems that may arise during the year relative to the staff. This Committee shall review budgetary information including revenues and expenses, financial projections, major capital expenditures, and key financial indicators. The Committee will also review variances in the Budget and other major program developments from a financial perspective. This Committee shall be responsible for the annual independent audit and reporting audit results to the Council at the appropriate Annual Meeting of the Council.

D-1. Advisory Committee on Constitution and Bylaws

D-2. Advisory Committee on Grants and Scholarships

· At a meeting to be held annually after the deadline for receiving applications. The Committee may be composed of members who are representative of the specialties of medicine at the discretion of the President.

D-3. Advisory Committee on Special Projects and Services

D-4. Advisory Committee on Practice Management Services

D-5. Advisory Committee on

Management Compensation

E. Coordinating Committee on Long Range Planning

F. Presidential Committee on Special Awards

· If suitable candidates are selected by the Committee, it shall submit the names of not more than three such members to the Council for each award.

· The Council may elect one for each respective award and presentation of the awards will take place at the discretion of the President during the Annual Meeting.

G. Presidential Committee on Selections

H. Presidential Committee on Endowments

· Recommend and approve programs, policies and marketing efforts required to generate contributions to the Research and Education Foundation, and recommend and approve methods of giving to the Foundation and ways in which contributors can be recognized for various levels of giving.

· Volunteer personal time and effort in securing major gifts to the Foundation and set an example, by personal contributions, for the general membership of the Association.

· Support The Society of 1906 and recommend and approve programs to enhance the visibility and growth of the Society.

I. Presidential Committee Affiliated Societies

ARTICLE VIII. ANNUAL MEETING

Section 1. Annual Meeting

Section 2. Composition of Annual Meeting

· The schedule of activities for the Annual Meeting shall be established by the Council annually and such activities shall be furnished

to the membership in advance of the Annual Meeting.

· The President of the Association shall preside at all general sessions of the Annual Meeting, or in his/her absence the President-Elect.

· Such business shall be conducted at the General Session as shall be designated by the Presiding Officer.

Section 3. Scientific Sections of the Annual Meeting

Section 4. Creation of New Sections and Abolition of Existing Sections

· After receiving petition from thirty active members of the Association representing that specialty or sub-specialty and representing twelve of the states or the District of Columbia in the Association territory a new section may be created.

Section 5. Section Officers

A. Chairperson

B. Vice-Chairperson

C. Secretary

D. Secretary-Elect

Section 6. Section Officer

Requirements and Terms

Section 7. Section Officer

Requirements and Terms

ARTICLE IX. SPECIAL AWARDS

Section 1. Distinguished Service Award

· The award shall be for recognition of outstanding contribution to the advancement of medical science and/or the Association.

· Any member, who is not in a leadership position of the SMA or SMAS shall be eligible to receive the award and nominations may be made by any member of the Association.

Section 2. Seale Harris Award

· Any member of the Association shall be eligible to receive the award and nominations

may be made by any member of the Association.

Section 3. Original Research Award

· Any member of the Association shall be eligible to receive the award and nominations may be made by any member of the Association.

Section 4. Determination of Awards

· These awards will be determined by a confidential Committee appointed by the President to evaluate the contributions of the various candidates for special awards.

· The Committee shall submit the names of not more than three persons to the Council for each award.

· The Council may elect one for each respective award and presentation of awards will take place at the Second General Session of the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE X. SOUTHERN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION ALLIANCE

ARTICLE XI. RULES OF ORDER

ARTICLE XII. INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND AGENTS OF THE SOUTHERN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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Southern Medical Association

Mission Statement:

The Southern Medical Association enables physicians to practice the highest standards of medicine by fostering professional development and economic stability through education, services, collegiality and leadership across multiple specialties.

Vision Statement:

The Southern Medical Association is the physician's choice for education and support to enhance practice performance and career development.

What We Stand For:

1. We are sensitive to the needs of the whole physician, and strive to provide a mix of education, service and camaraderie that empowers members to achieve both personal and professional goals.
2. We believe in developing physician leaders.
3. We believe that an interdisciplinary forum serves to enhance the sharing of information, knowledge and experience to advance the practice of medicine.
4. We believe in the value of all generations of physicians having the opportunity to interact and learn from each other.
5. We work diligently to help our members sustain the spirit of compassion in the practice of medicine and the sense of satisfaction in contributing fundamentally to the health and well-being of society.
6. We believe that physicians should be in control of decisions regarding practice management and patient care.

How We Operate:

1. We believe that unity of purpose and the contribution of each individual are fundamental to the achievement of our success in meeting the needs of our members and maintaining financial stability.
2. We believe in integrity and accountability in our relationships with members, leaders, vendors, clients, employees and the community at large.
3. We believe in supporting employees to achieve their fullest potential by providing encouragement, professional development and a work environment that promotes respect and open communication.

Birth of a Medical Association

NAME: Southern Medical Association

DATE OF BIRTH: October 3, 1906

PLACE OF BIRTH: The Read House, Chattanooga, Tennessee

FOUNDING FATHERS: Approximately 150 "attending physicians" were on hand for the organizational meeting.

Vital Statistics

1906	2006
Membership —Approximately 200 members from a six-state territory—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee	Approximately 13,800 members from a territory comprised of Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia and all across the continental U.S.
Annual Dues —\$2	\$150
Scientific Assembly —3 Sections	27 Sections
Publications —None	<i>Southern Medical Journal</i> (monthly) and <i>Chart Notes</i> (quarterly); both owned and published by the Association
Assets —Just some dedicated physicians	A growing roster of dedicated physicians, an Annual Meeting unparalleled for its scientific sessions, its publications, a headquarters building valued at \$2,100,000.00, and affiliate - Southern Association for Oncology, are but a few of the Association's assets today. SMA Services, a wholly owned for-profit subsidiary providing services to SMA and its members.

Purpose of the Southern Medical Association

The exclusive purpose of this unique organization is to develop and foster scientific medicine. Conceived as an organization which could, on a regular basis, promote the progress of scientific medicine generally and in particular, attack problems peculiar to the South; established as a voluntary, non-profit organization, and chartered under the laws of the State of Alabama, the Association is independent of other medical societies, but works closely with them.

Dedicated exclusively to serving the professional needs of physicians of the South, SMA strives to bring its members into closer touch and in more perfect harmony with each other, creating a society unique in its opportunity for fraternal relationships and in its personal significance.

Although the Association has grown from a membership of approximately 200 in 1906 to a membership of over 28,000 today, its purpose remains the same and is so stated in its **CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS, ARTICLE II—PURPOSE.**

Organization and Early History of the Southern

Medical Association

The Southern Medical Association, like the sturdy oak, from a little acorn grew; but this was no ordinary acorn. Its embryo contained the elements of need, vision, and opportunity embodied in a previously existing organization known as the Tri-State Medical Association of Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee, which was composed of some two hundred physicians.

Representatives of the Tri-State group, along with representatives from Florida, Louisiana, and Mississippi, met in Chattanooga, Tenn., on October 2, 1906, in response to an invitation from the President of the Tennessee State Medical Association. The invitational letter stated that the members of the Nashville Academy of Medicine felt that "there was a growing feeling among doctors of the southern group of states that a Southern Medical Association should be organized."

These representatives, most of whom were presidents of their state medical associations, adopted a resolution for presentation to the

Tri-State Medical Association, stating among other reasons, that "a greater opportunity for self-improvement and achievement in the realm of scientific research is required by the progressive and cultured physicians of the district (the South) than is afforded by the state societies, and which, on account of its large membership, is denied them in the American Medical Association." The resolution, presented the next day (October 3, 1906), called for the merging of the Tri-State Medical Association into this larger body, thereby becoming the nucleus of the proposed Southern Medical Association.

Anticipating favorable action on the resolution, a Committee on Constitution and Bylaws was appointed on October 2, 1906, with instructions to have a tentative draft of the **CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS** for the proposed Southern Medical Association ready to present to the Tri-State group the next day. Working all night, the Committee drafted a proposed **CONSTITUTION** calling for the formation of a voluntary, independent organization of physicians which would eventually embrace all of the sixteen Southern states and the

District of Columbia. It further called for the Tri-State Medical Association to "thaw and resolve themselves into a dew; to die in order that the baby Southern Medical Association could be born."

In an atmosphere charged with emotion, the resolution and the tentative draft of the first CONSTITUTION were debated as the first order of business of the Tri-State group. There were impassioned pleas "on behalf of the young physicians of the Southern states for a wider field to engage our talents," as well as for "a stimulus, an incentive to spur us on to worthy deeds to more intensive study, to greater accomplishments in the field of medicine and surgery." Jere L. Crook, M.D., Chairman, Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, tried to make the group visualize a great Southern Medical Association whose programs would deal with diseases peculiar to the Southern states and would present to the world the results of the research, the clinical experience, at the bedside and in the operating room, of the splendid body of men composing the ranks of the medical profession of the South.

Naturally, the fine record of the Tri-State group was ardently defended, citing loyalty and accomplishments of its members but the arguments for greater opportunities for scientific improvement and for a wider fellowship among physicians triumphed. The founder of the Tri-State group, J. B. Cowan, M.D., Tullahoma, Tenn., who was Chief Surgeon on the staff of Lieutenant General Nathan Bedford Forrest 1861-1865, understandably loathe to see his own brainchild die, and having pledged to fight any move to that effect, was so impressed with the "pleas of these ambitious young doctors for a chance to try their wings over all Dixie Land" that he moved the adoption of the resolution and the tentative CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS "without changing one jot or one title." The motion carried unanimously and thus the Southern Medical Association was born.

The work of organizing moved rapidly—a Nominating Committee was appointed, met promptly, and upon

making its report, the first officers of the Southern Medical Association were elected and installed on October 3, 1906, at The Read House in Chattanooga, Tenn.

The first annual meeting was held in Birmingham, Ala. September 24-25, 1907, with a Scientific Assembly composed of three sections: Medicine, Surgery, and Ophthalmology. At this meeting H.H. Martin M.D., Savannah, Ga., first President of the Association, summarized the general feeling of the members of the Southern Medical Association in regard to their new organization when, in closing his President's Address, he said:

"I wish to express my entire satisfaction with the unqualified success of this, our first annual meeting, and to publicly thank the various Section Officers for the most excellent program furnished for this meeting. I have never seen a better one in any medical association in this country. The Southern Medical Association is tonight an accomplished fact. Its future is in your hands to make of it what you will."

Thus began the growth and development of the Southern Medical Association.

Officers and Governing Bodies of the Southern Medical Association

Just as the individual shares the responsibility of democratic government so the individual member of the Southern Medical Association shares the responsibility of managing its affairs. But a pure democracy is an inefficient and cumbersome form of organization and each of the members does not wish to study and vote on every single detail of the business of the Association. Therefore, provisions have been made whereby grants of power are distributed among officers and governing bodies.

GRANTS OF POWER...

The membership has adopted a CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS (which it may abolish, change, or amend) which invests power in, and describes the duties of certain bodies and officers of the Association. In addition, the CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS (1) states the purpose of the Association; (2) establishes requirements for and classes of membership; (3) provides for the scope and mechanics of meetings; (4) describes the manner of election, power, and duties of officers; (5) provides for the election or appointment of committees; (6) establishes and defines the administrative machinery; (7) prescribes dues and fiscal procedures and (8) provides for amendments.

OFFICERS...

The officers of the Association fall into two categories—the elected and the appointed officers. A complete outline of the duties of all officers, elected and appointed, is included in the BYLAWS.

THE GOVERNING BODIES...

THE COUNCIL

Through provisions in the CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS,

the membership established the Council as the governing body of the Association, and defined its composition, duties, and powers.

The Council consists of twenty members; three officers and one member representing each of the sixteen states and the District of Columbia which constitute the territory of the Association. Elected by their respective states, Councilors serve for five years and can be eligible for re-election for a second term following a five-year hiatus from ending their first term. The President shall be that person who was elected by the Council as President-Elect the previous year and the Immediate Past President will be that person who served as President during the previous year.

Much of the detail work of the Council is accomplished by efficient use of committees created for specific purposes. Through the Association's President, the Council makes a report of its findings, recommendations, and actions to the membership at the first general session of each annual meeting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL

The Executive Committee of the Council acts for the Council and the membership between Annual Meetings. This smaller body is composed of the President, President-Elect, Immediate Past President, and President-Elect Designate.

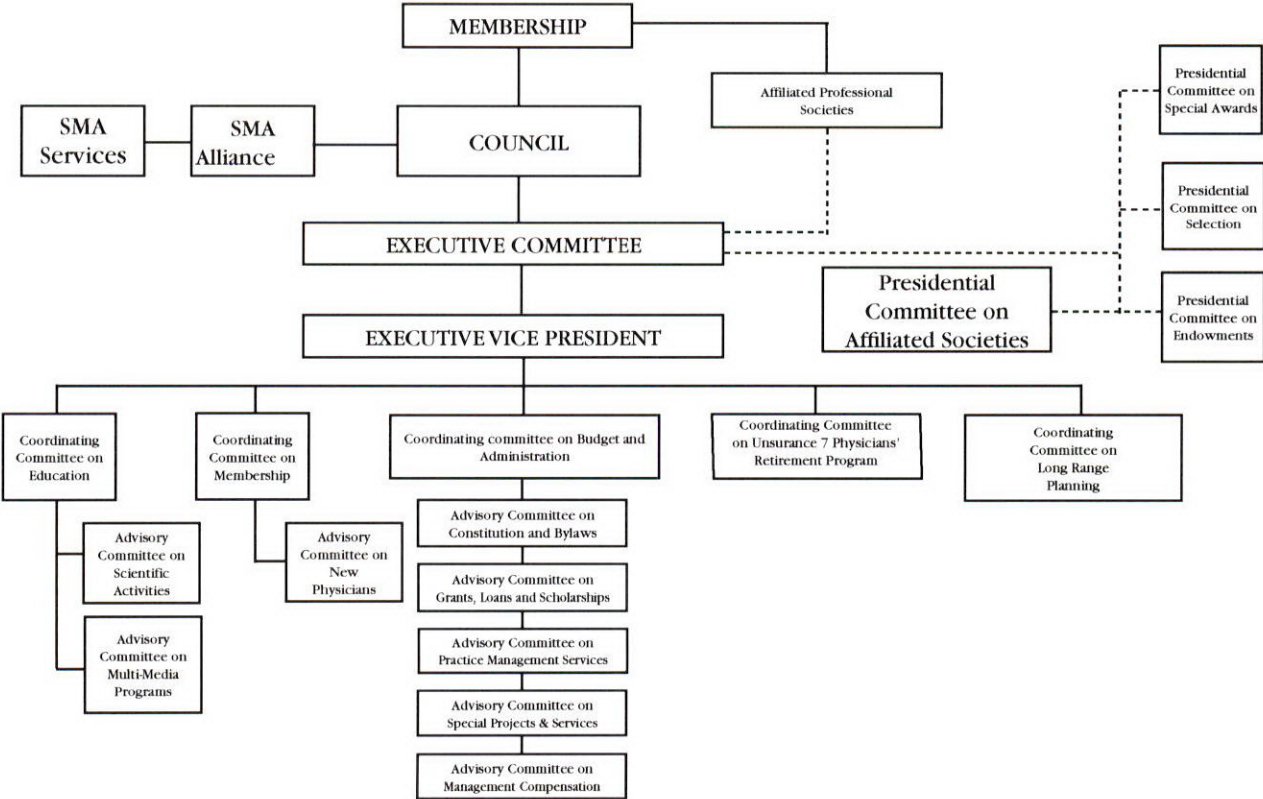
The primary function of the Executive Committee of the Council is to consider all matters of business and report its findings and conclusions to the Council for action. Any matters of such urgency that they should not wait over until the Annual Meeting

may be acted upon by the Executive Committee of the Council, however.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

By and large, the official governing bodies of the Association are policy-making groups. Decisions, programs, and policies established by the governing bodies are put into effect through (1) the administrative machinery of the Executive Vice-President and his staff at the headquarters office in Birmingham, Alabama, and (2) the Editor, Associate Editors, and the Editorial Board.

Southern Medical Association Organizational Chart



Membership in the Southern Medical Association

Who Can Belong...

The membership of this Association shall be by invitation to physicians who are eligible to be members of the following state medical societies: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia who are sponsored by the respective state Councilor, to invited medical officers of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Public Health Service and Veterans Administration on active duty, and to invited members of the Puerto Rico Medical Association who are citizens of the United States of America.

The CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS of the Association provides for active membership as well as for various classes of associate and emeritus membership.

Dues...

The modest dues of the Association, which includes the member's subscription to the SOUTHERN MEDICAL JOURNAL, keeps membership in this scientific organization well within the financial reach of all physicians. Effective January 1, 2000, the annual dues were set at \$150, payable in advance, with membership effective on the date of the application. Life membership is available to members in good standing upon application and the payment of the appropriate fee.

Activities of the Southern Medical Association

I. The Annual Meeting

General Information...

The Association's annual meeting is traditionally held in November each year in one of the cities located within the Association's territory. Dates and sites are subject to review and approval by the Council. All scientific activities, meetings, and exhibits at SMA annual meetings are open to physicians who are eligible for membership in their local and state medical societies whether or not they are members of the Southern Medical Association. Medical and nursing students, interns, residents, and paramedical personnel may also attend.

Generally, the format of an annual meeting consists of two parts—the scientific program and the exhibits both scientific and technical. Specifically, the scientific activities of the annual meeting are divided into symposia, scientific sessions, grand rounds, and abstract presentations. Specialty sections cooperate to present programs of special interest, special symposia on timely subjects, meetings of conjoint societies, post-graduate courses, scientific posters, and technical exhibits, all designed for one purpose—to enhance the practice of medicine.

Scientific Sections...

The modern concept of Section work was instituted by the Association at its first annual meeting in Birmingham, Ala., in 1907 when scientific programs were presented in three Sections: Medicine, Surgery, and Ophthalmology. Thus the basic reason for the founding of the Association in 1906 - "to provide a greater opportunity for self-improvement and achievement..."

As specialization developed, the need for a forum for the discussion of problems and progress in these new fields developed also. The Southern Medical Association has been quick to sense these needs related to special interests and has created Sections for their benefit. The Association has often led the way in the recognition of certain specialties by being the first general medical organization to create Sections for these specialties. When interest in, and the need for more than a single session are demonstrated, and the specific needs cannot be incorporated into existing Section programs, a new Section is created for that special need. At the same time, when need for a Section no longer exists or when its work has been absorbed by other Sections, then such Sections are discontinued. This practice of being constantly alert to the needs and wishes of the physicians in the South has produced an ever-changing list of the Association's Sections.

The following list summarizes the Sections created by the Association in chronological order, with any changes from the original listed under the appropriate Section.

Year Approved By Council	
1906	Medicine
1906	Surgery
1906	Ophthalmology
1912	changed to Ophthalmology, Rhinology, Otology and Laryngology
1923	changed to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat
1929	changed to Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology
1963	changed to Ophthalmology
1911	Hygiene and Preventive Medicine
1913	changed to Public Health
1961	changed to Preventive Medicine
1968	discontinued
1912	Ophthalmology, Rhinology, Otology and Laryngology
1923	changed to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat
1929	changed to Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology
1963	changed to Otolaryngology
1983	changed to Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery
1916	Pediatrics
1983	changed to Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine
1919	Urology
1919	Orthopedic Surgery
1923	changed to Bone and Joint Surgery
1942	changed to Orthopaedic and Traumatic Surgery
1994	changed to Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery
1919	Roentgenology
1920	changed to Radiology
1920	Obstetrics
1920	Neurology and Psychiatry
1974	changed to Neurology, Neurosurgery, and Psychiatry
1986	changed to Neurology and Psychiatry; new Section on Neurosurgery formed
1999	changed to Psychiatry and Neurology
1922	Dermatology and Syphilology
1961	changed to Dermatology
1922	Medical Directors of Southern Life Insurance Companies
1923	discontinued

1923	Pathology
1924	Gastro-Enterology
1931	changed to Gastroenterology
Year Approved By Council	
1926	Medical Education
1938	changed to Medical Education and Hospital Training
1954	discontinued
1927	Railway Surgery
1944	discontinued
1927	Gynecology
1937	Anesthesia
1945	changed to Anesthesiology
1938	Allergy
1983	changed to Allergy & Immunology
1938	Proctology
1970	changed to Colon and Rectal Surgery
1941	Physical Therapy
1944	changed to Physical Medicine
1949	changed to Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
1980	discontinued
1941	General Practice
1973	changed to Family Practice
1944	Industrial Medicine and Surgery
1980	discontinued
1960	Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
1973	Chest Diseases
1978	Emergency Medicine
1986	Neurosurgery
1987	Oncology
1989	Rheumatology
1992	Occupational Medicine
1998	changed to Occupational & Environmental Medicine
1993	Cardiology
1994	Geriatric Medicine
1995	Medical Management and Administration
1999	Military Medicine

Currently the scientific assembly of the Southern Medical Association is comprised of the following Scientific Sections:

Section On...	
Allergy & Immunology	Obstetrics
Anesthesiology	Occupational & Environmental
Cardiology	Medicine
Chest Diseases	Oncology
Colon and Rectal Pathology	Ophthalmology
Dermatology	Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery
Emergency Medicine	Otolaryngology-Head and Neck
Family Practice	Surgery
Gastroenterology	Surgery Pediatrics and Adolescent
Geriatric Medicine	Medicine
Gynecology	Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery
Medical Management and	Psychiatry and Neurology
Administration	Radiology
Medicine	Rheumatology
Military Medicine	Surgery
Neurosurgery	Urology

Each Section elects its own officers a Chairman, Secretary, and Secretary-Elect, with primary responsibility for program planning resting with the Secretary. Other officers may be elected depending on the needs of the Section. Duties of all officers are outlined in the CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS. The program for the Annual Scientific Assembly is coordinated in the winter at the Annual Scientific Assembly Planning Committee meeting which is attended by members of the Advisory Committee on Scientific Activities in addition to the Section Secretaries. Every effort is made to see that a well-rounded scientific program is planned.

A physician attending a Southern Medical Association meeting may participate in any session where, in his opinion, it will be most beneficial to him. This freedom to choose provides great program flexibility, variety and personal appeal. At the same time this plan enables the Southern Medical Association to reach one of its continuing goals-helping doctors practice better medicine.

EXHIBIT HALL...SCIENTIFIC POSTERS

In addition to the scientific sessions, postgraduate courses and symposia offered to physicians attending the annual meeting, there is an opportunity for physicians to submit and present scientific posters for display in the Exhibit Hall. Scientific posters were first introduced in 1988, and since then, submissions have continuously increased. Scientific exhibits, effective for the 1996 Assembly, have been discontinued.

TECHNICAL EXHIBITS

Technical Exhibits offer the busy physician the opportunity to view the latest drugs, medical equipment, and services on the market. These exhibits are carefully screened by Committees and represent the highest standards in quality, originality, and value. Awards are made for the most outstanding technical exhibits.

The Social Side...

The annual meeting, while geared primarily for education, also has its moments of relaxation. Thriving on an informal atmosphere—where physicians from every type of practice can meet to exchange ideas—SMA has a widely known reputation for its “Southern Hospitality.” Social highlights of the annual meeting include: alumni reunions, Section social events, President’s Reception, Dinner Dance, activities for the spouses planned by the Southern Medical Association Auxiliary, and, of course, fellowship with members of the medical profession from all parts of the United States and many foreign countries.

II. Continuing Medical Education Activities

The Southern Medical Association is committed to expanding and diversifying its educational opportunities to provide a more comprehensive network of continuing medical education activities. Seminars and regional postgraduate conferences are conducted throughout the year in major cities in SMA’s territory. Clinical, managed care, and reimbursement CME activities are offered to SMA members at discounted fees. SMA’s satellite broadcasts reach 1,000’s of health care professionals at one setting via satellite. Newly added Internet activities on SMA’s website at www.sma.org increase SMA’s reach through the newest technology. SMA makes every effort to fill physician’s needs for Category 1 CME Credit towards the AMA Physician’s Recognition Award.

III. Publications

The Southern Medical Journal... Brief History

During the first years of its history, the Association did not actually own a journal. Various publications were named "official organ of publication" from time to time.

At the annual meeting held in Atlanta, Ga., November 10-12, 1908, arrangements were made for the *Medical Report of Shreveport*, Shreveport La., to serve as the official organ of publication, with the name to be changed to *Journal of the Southern Medical Association*, effective January 1909 (Vol. 2, No. 1). Oscar Dowling, M.D., Shreveport, La., Secretary-Treasurer of the Southern Medical Association, was Editor. It was discontinued as Journal of the Southern Medical Association as of December 1909.

The Gulf States Journal of Medicine and Surgery, Mobile, Ala., formerly the *Mobile Medical and Surgical Journal*, became the Association's official organ of publication in January 1910 (Vol. 16, No. 1). Owners Seale Harris, M.D., and H.A. Moody, M.D., both of Mobile, AL, served as Editors.

The *Southern Medical Journal*, a publication privately owned by a group of Nashville, TN, physicians began in Nashville, TN, in July 1908 (Vol. 1, No. 1). It was purchased in October or November 1910 by Seale Harris, M.D., as principal owner, with some other physicians having minor financial interest. Thus, the owners of the *Gulf States Journal of Medicine and Surgery* merged this publication (Vol. 17, No. 5) with their newly acquired publication, the *Southern Medical Journal* with the December 1910 issue (Vol. 3, No. 11). Also, beginning with the December 1910 issue, the new *Southern Medical Journal* carried the additional designation of Journal of the Southern

Medical Association. Seale Harris, M.D., served as Editor until November 1921, and H. A. Moody, M.D., served as Managing Editor until April 1916.

From December 1910 to May 1916, J. A. Witherspoon, M.D., W. D. Haggard, M.D., William Litterer, M.D., W. A. Bryan, M.D., and M. M. Cullon, M.D., all of Nashville, Tenn., and Oscar Dowling, M.D., were Associate Editors.

From June 1916 to October 1917, M. Y. Dabney, M.D., became Managing Editor and James R. Garber, M.D., Birmingham, Ala., became Associate Editor. From December 1917 to December 1919, Dr. Dabney served as Acting Editor while Dr. Harris was on active military duty. From January 1920 to November 1921, both Dr. Dabney and Dr. Garber were designated Associate Editors.

In November 1921 the Southern Medical Association, with a membership of 6,328, purchased the *Southern Medical Journal* from Dr. Harris and his co-owners and Dr. Dabney was elected Editor. Dr. Harris resigned as Editor at that meeting. Dr. Dabney served as Editor from December 1921 to December 1954 and his wife, Eugenia B. Dabney, served as Assistant Editor, 1930-1935, and Associate Editor from 1935 until December 1954.

Curtice Rosser, M.D., Dallas, Tex., and Tinsley R. Harrison, M.D., Birmingham, Ala., were Associate Editors from January 1951 to December 1954. Curtice J. Lund, M.D., New Orleans, La., served as an Associate Editor from January 1951 to December 1952. Howard L. Holley, M.D., Birmingham, Ala., served as an Associate Editor from January 1954 to December 1954.

Others who have served as Assistant Editor are Harris D. Riley Jr., M.D. (1967-1970), Sam E. Stephenson Jr., M.D. (1968-1990), Addison B. Scoville, Jr., M.D. (1976-1989), and J.

Leonard Goldner, M.D. (1971-1974).

R. H. Kampmeier, M.D., Nashville, Tenn., became Editor and V. O. Foster, Birmingham, Ala., Managing Editor, effective December 1, 1954. Robert F. Butts, Birmingham, Ala., became Managing Editor, December 1, 1960. Harris D. Riley, Jr., M.D., Oklahoma City, Okla., became Associate Editor of the *Journal* in January 1971, and assumed the role of Editor in January 1973, upon Dr. Kampmeier's retirement. Dr. Kampmeier was retained as Advisory Editor. In September 1977, John B. Thomison, M.D., of Nashville, Tenn., was appointed Editor succeeding Dr. Riley.

Beginning in 1980 William J. Ranieri became Managing Editor of the *Journal*. In July 1992, the Council voted to name Dr. Thomison Editor Emeritus upon his retirement at the end of that year. In January 1993 J. Graham Smith, Jr., M.D., became Editor. In 2000, James H. Leverett became Managing Editor, and Ronald C. Hamdy, M.D., was appointed Editor. In 2002, Ed J. Waldron became Managing Editor, and he appointed Cathy Galloway to serve in that capacity.

With sound business and editorial management, the *Journal* has not only grown in size and financial stability, but it has also grown in scientific stature and influence. Its cumulative contribution to the medical literature parallels and mirrors the growth and scientific development of medicine in the South.

The Journal Today

Throughout its entire life, the *Southern Medical Journal* has adhered to its main objective announced in the first issue: to help doctors practice better medicine by bringing to them high quality, original articles by leading medical researchers and specialists and general information of concern to the medical profession.

The *Southern Medical Journal* is a general medical publication which presents monthly some 35 major

articles, many of them illustrated with photographs and drawings. Its contents are as broadly based as the practice of medicine and surgery. Articles are chosen from hundreds submitted and from the 400 or so papers presented at the annual scientific sessions by leaders in the various specialized fields of medicine.

The office of the Managing Editor of the *Journal* is in the headquarters building of the Southern Medical Association in Birmingham, Ala. The Editor, Ronald C. Hamdy, M.D., is a practicing internist in Johnson City, Tennessee. *Journal* production is carried out in the offices of the publisher, Lippincott Williams, & Wilkins, in Baltimore, Maryland.

Assisting the Editor are Associate Editors Richard D. deShazo, M.D., Angus M. McBryde, Jr., M.D. and J. Patrick O'Leary, M.D.; 10 Assistant Editors; the Editorial Board (established by Dr. Kampmeier in 1954), which now consists of 49 members appointed by the Editor with the consent of the Council; and the Advisory Committee to the Editorial Board, which is composed of the Secretaries of the Scientific Sections of the Southern Medical Association.

Today the *Southern Medical Journal* goes into the 16 Southern states and the District of Columbia that comprise the Association's membership territory, as well as all other states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Canal Zone, and 22 European and Asian countries. One of the most influential medical publications in the world, the *Journal* brings to practicing physicians knowledge that will enable them to provide the best possible care for patients in this age of rapidly changing modern medicine.

The Southern Medical Bulletin...

When the Association was only three years old—at the New Orleans Meeting, November 9-11, 1909—the Council recommended the publication of a

quarterly bulletin. On November 1, 1912, the *Southern Medical Bulletin*, Volume 1, Number 1, was issued. It included the program for the forthcoming Annual Meeting and other information about the Association. The Council approved this bulletin, authorized its continuance, and the *Southern Medical Bulletin* has been published quarterly since 1912.

At the Miami Beach Meeting in 1957 a proposal to expand the quarterly *Southern Medical Bulletin* to a monthly publication was reviewed and approved by the Council. The first step of the proposed expansion was taken when the new format of the *Southern Medical Bulletin* was introduced with the March 1961 issue with R. H. Kampmeier, M.D., Editor. The *Bulletin* was accepted overwhelmingly by the Southern physicians.

The purpose of the *Bulletin* was to provide interesting and up-to-date scientific and non-scientific information for virtually all of the practicing physicians in the Association's membership territory and to stimulate interest in the Association and its various activities.

Each issue was designed to be of reference value, covering various subjects of interest such as current VD problems, cancer, rehabilitation, alcoholism and habituating drugs, family planning, roadside injuries, and the impact of the federal government upon medical care. From 1912 through 1968 the September issue of the *Bulletin* contained the preliminary program for the Annual Meeting. The second step in expanding the *Bulletin* came in 1969 when all four of the quarterly issues followed the basic format, but with increased size, and the preliminary program for the Annual Meeting was published separately. During 1970 the *Bulletin* increased to six issues, one every other month.

Southern Medicine

In January 1972, the name of the

Southern Medical Bulletin was changed to *Southern Medicine*.

After a great deal of thought and intensive costs analysis, it was decided on February 11, 1978 to terminate publication of *Southern Medicine* in its existing form.

Afterward, *Southern Medicine* provided important information concerning SMA's educational programs and services for its members, as well as up-to-date information on the benefits and other services offered through the Association.

Chart Notes

In Winter 2000, *Southern Medicine* and *Southern Medical Bulletin* was replaced with *SMA Chart Notes*. *SMA Chart Notes* consists of updates regarding the Association, Leadership, and Membership, Practice Management news and additional timely information. *SMA Chart Notes* is considered a member benefit for all dues paying members of Southern Medical Association and is published quarterly.

IV. Research Project Fund

Members of the Committee on Grants and Loans observed that funds for initiating small research projects were not readily available in most medical centers or training areas. Therefore, at the Annual Meeting, November 1969, the Council established the SMA Research Project Fund. This Fund originally consisted of \$6,000 annually, from which grants could be made to those participating in investigative projects. Due to the large number of applications received for grants from this Fund during the first year of operation, the Committee on Grants and Loans recommended to the Council at the Dallas Meeting, November 1970, that the amount of grants be increased to \$20,000 annually (July 1-June 30). This Fund is under the direction of the Committee on Grants and Loans.

At the New Orleans Meeting in November 1976, the Committee on Grants and Loans recommended that the amount for grants be increased to \$40,000 annually. In 1982 the Committee on Grants and Loans approved a grant increase in the amount of \$20,000, making the total amount available \$60,000.

In November, 1988 the Council of the SMA voted to increase the combined amount available for Research Grants and Residency Training Loans to \$150,000 from the previous amount of \$100,000. This would become effective July 1, 1989.

RULES FOR GOVERNING THE RESEARCH FUND...

(1) Amount Available...

- (a) the headquarters office shall be responsible for notifying the Deans at the medical schools and their affiliated hospitals located in SMA's territory that limited funds are available for those participating in investigative projects.

- (b) Money in the Research Project Fund will be available primarily to physicians in house staff training (Graduate Medical Education) and Medical Students located at medical schools, medical centers, osteopathic schools and their affiliated hospitals rather than to established faculty investigators.

- (c) The maximum grant available from this Fund, per school year, shall be \$2,500. A maximum of two grants may be awarded per medical school or medical center depending upon availability of funds.

(2) Purpose...

- (a) A grant from this Fund shall be primarily for the purpose of starting a new project, or for the continuation of a relatively new project.

- (b) A grant from this Fund shall be used primarily for the purchase of expendable items (which includes the purchase and maintenance of animals) and may not be used for the purchase of computers or computer training. **NO TRAVEL EXPENSES WILL BE FUNDED.** Funds must be used as applied for or they revert back to SMA. Under no circumstances will funds be transferred outside of SMA's territorial boundaries.

(3) Application...

- (a) Official application forms may be secured by writing the Chief Financial Officer, Southern Medical Association, 35 Lakeshore Drive, P. O. Box 190088, Birmingham, Alabama 35219-0088. Deadline for receiving completed applications is April 1.

(4) If Approved...

When a grant is awarded, the Southern Medical Association shall issue a check jointly to the applicant and the institution with which the applicant is associated. The check shall be mailed to the applicant.

(5) Requirements...

Faculty/Clinical Adviser is required to: Submit a letter outlining potential clinical applications of the project. Recipients of grants from this Fund shall be requested to:

- (a) Apply for membership in Southern Medical Association (Free to medical students and residents).
- (b) Recipient and Faculty/Clinical Adviser are required to send Southern Medical Association a summary of the results of the research project upon its completion. Failure to do so will jeopardize future research funding.
- (c) Should this Research Project Grant result in publication SMA requires a reprint.

V. Medical Student Scholarship Fund

Recognizing the need for providing assistance to third-year medical students, particularly those of superior abilities, the Council established the Southern Medical Association Medical Student Scholarship Fund at the Atlanta Meeting, November 1969. This fund now provides \$1,500 of scholarship per medical school located within the territory of the Southern Medical Association and is under the direction of the Advisory Committee on Grants, Loans and Scholarships.

Rules Governing the Medical Student Scholarship Fund...

(1) Amount Available...

- (a) The headquarters office shall be responsible for notifying the Deans of all medical and osteopathic schools located in SMA's territory that limited funds are available for scholarships for third-year medical students.
- (b) The maximum scholarship available from this Fund, per school year, shall be \$1,000. The \$1,000 may be allocated among one or more deserving students at the discretion of the Dean and has historically been distributed to either one or two students.

(2) Purpose...

A scholarship from this Fund shall be for the purpose of giving aid in providing tuition to third-year students of superior ability who are in need of scholarship funds.

(3) Application...

- (a) Application for a scholarship from this Fund must be made by the Dean on behalf of his students, by writing to the Chairman, Advisory Committee on Grants, Loans and Scholarships, c/o Director, Operations, Southern Medical Association, 35 Lakeshore Drive,

P.O. Box 190088, Birmingham, Alabama 35219-0088.

- (b) The letter should give:
 - (1) full name and mailing address of the student;
 - (2) explanation of student's need;
 - (3) deserving qualities of the student for a scholarship.
- (4) If Approved...

When a scholarship is awarded the headquarters office shall notify the Dean, and shall issue a check jointly to the applicant and the school. The check will be mailed directly to the medical school.

VI. Southern Medical Research and Education Endowment Fund

In 1986 SMA established an Educational Endowment Fund to provide funding for scholarships, research projects and other programs supporting the educational purposes of the Association. In December 1987, SMA launched a Planned Giving Program incorporating the existing Endowment Fund with several other options for charitable giving. Donors may target gifts for scholarships, lectureships or special educational programs through gifts from various means including bequests, life insurance, real estate, or securities. With any gift, donors may establish memorials for deceased loved ones or recognition for a colleague.

Purposes of the Fund are to provide an investment in the future of medical and health care delivery; to stimulate interest in conducting research; to provide financial aid to deserving medical students; to initiate a professional career development relationship with SMA; and to recognize or memorialize donors and their designees.

A formal recognition program for contributors to the Research and Education Endowment Fund is as follows:

President's Circle- \$1,000

Contribution

- Picture at Annual Meeting
 - Name in *Southern Medical Journal* and *Chart Notes*
 - Recognition on SMA's website
 - Annual Meeting Ribbon
- Benefactor-** \$250-\$999
Contribution
- Name in *Southern Medical Journal* and *Chart Notes*
 - Recognition on SMA's

website

- Annual Meeting Ribbon
- Patron-** \$50 - \$249
Contribution
- Name in *Southern Medical Journal* and *Chart Notes*
 - Recognition on SMA's website
 - Annual Meeting Ribbon

The Society of 1906

The establishment of "The Society of 1906" was approved in 1990 in Nashville. The Society recognizes major contributors to the Fund. SMA physicians may become members of "The Society of 1906" by contributing \$5000 to the fund over a five year period or by making a \$20,000 bequest. Recognition and benefits of "The Society of 1906" include:

- "Society of 1906" medallion
- "Society of 1906" tie and Annual Meeting Ribbon
- "Hall of Fame" picture at Annual Meeting
- Annual Black-Tie Reception

The twenty-seven Charter Members of The Society of 1906 were honored at the SMA's 85th Annual Scientific Assembly in Atlanta in November of 1991. Charter Members attended the first annual black-tie reception and were given a beautiful medallion representing their commitment to the goals of SMA's Research and Education Endowment Fund.

Donations to the Southern Medical Research and Education Endowment Fund may be sent or inquiries directed to Southern Medical Association Research and Education Endowment Fund.

VII. Awards

From time to time the Southern Medical Association has created awards so that the Association may honor worthy members. Presently there are three official awards of the Association; the Distinguished Service Award; the Seale Harris Award; and the Original Research Award. Nomination and application forms, which may be obtained from the headquarters office, must be received at the headquarters office by August 1.

All nominations and applications are considered by the Committee on Special Awards. This confidential Committee, consisting of five members with the Vice-President as Chairman, is appointed by the President to evaluate the contributions of the various candidates for special awards. If suitable candidates are selected by the Committee, it submits the names of not more than three such members to the Council for each award. The Council may then select one for each respective award and presentation of the awards takes place at the last general session of the Annual Meeting.

The Research Medal...

During the 1912 Annual Meeting in Jacksonville, Fla., the Association established the Research Medal which could be awarded from time to time to a member of the Association for meritorious and original research work provided the member had made contributions to medical science of sufficient importance to merit this distinction.

In 1961 both the Research Medal and the Original Research Award existed. Then in 1962 the Research Medal as established in 1912 was discontinued in favor of the Dr. Robert D. and Alma Moreton Original Research Award.

Recipients of the Research Medal

1912- Jacksonville Meeting- C. C. Bass, M.D., New Orleans, La., "for his

epoch-making achievement in the study of malaria, namely: the cultivation of the malaria parasites in artificial media."

1916- Atlanta Meeting- J. Shelton Horsley, M.D., Richmond, Va., "in recognition of his original contributions and studies in the domain of vascular surgery."

1921- Hot Springs Meeting- Kenneth M. Lynch M.D., Dallas, Tex., "for his original and meritorious investigations in the parasitology of tropical diseases."

1932- Birmingham Meeting- Evarts A. Graham M.D., St. Louis, Mo., "for his outstanding research work, especially on the diagnosis and pathology of inflammatory diseases of the gallbladder and liver."

1933- Richmond Meeting- William de B. MacNider M.D., Chapel Hill, N.C., "for original and meritorious research, especially in the field of experimental nephritis."

1937- New Orleans Meeting- Ernest W. Goodpasture, M.D., Nashville, Tenn., "for his outstanding achievements through his research on the cultivation and the nature of viruses."

1940- Louisville Meeting- Alfred Blalock, M.D. Nashville, Tenn., "in recognition of his distinguished contributions to knowledge of the circulation, especially in relation to shock."

1942- Richmond Meeting- Perrin H. Long, M.D., Baltimore, Md., "in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the knowledge of bacteriology and chemotherapy."

1943- Cincinnati Meeting- Tom Douglas Spies, M.D., Birmingham, Ala., "in recognition of his outstanding

contributions to our knowledge of the science of human nutrition, especially in his elucidation of the earlier and better methods of diagnosis and treatment of disease."

- 1945- Cincinnati Meeting- Tinsley R. Harrison, M.D. Dallas, Tex., "In recognition of his outstanding contributions toward the elucidation of structural and functional aspects of cardiovascular disease and particularly of practical problems arising from failure of the circulation."
- 1946- Miami Meeting- William H. Sebrell, Jr., M.D. Bethesda, Md., "in recognition of his important contributions to the understanding of nutrition and its relation to public health."
- 1947- Baltimore Meeting- George E. Burch, M.D. New Orleans, La., "in recognition of his important investigations in the clinical physiology of the circulation and of his valuable contributions of the understanding of cardiovascular disorders."
- 1949- Cincinnati Meeting- Seale Harris, M.D., Birmingham, Ala., "in recognition for his original and pioneer description of hyperinsulinism, for continued and meritorious achievements in the fields of nutrition and metabolism and especially his investigations of diabetes mellitus and his contributions to its treatment."
- 1950- St. Louis Meeting- Guy L. Hunner, M.D., Baltimore, Md., "for clarifying the relationship of focal infections as disease producers in the genitourinary tract, and especially for his constructive work on the diagnosis and treatment of the medical and

surgical diseases of the urinary tract."

- 1954- St. Louis Meeting- Robert E. Stone, M.D., Birmingham, Ala., "in appreciation of his outstanding professional attainments and original research of benefit to mankind in the recognition and treatment of nutritional disorders and diseases of metabolism."
- 1957- Miami Beach Meeting- Joseph H. Hill, M.D., Dallas, Tex., "in recognition of his many contributions in the field of hematology, particularly in his original mass production method of desiccating human plasma and application in the therapy of shock, in his additions to the knowledge concerning the Rh factor, and in his current studies on leukemia."
- 1960- St. Louis Meeting- Leslie V. Rush, M.D., Meridian, Miss., "for research resulting in the development of the Rush pin, an intramedullary steel pin for internal fixation of fractures."
- 1961- Dallas Meeting- May Owen, M.D., Fort Worth, Tex., "for research in determining that glove powder was the cause of foreign-body granuloma on the serosal surface of the intestines in abdominal surgery."

The Dr. Robert D. and Alma Moreton Original Research Award...

At the Dallas Meeting in 1961, the Association established the Original Research Award consisting of a medal and cash prize, which may be awarded annually in recognition of original research in clinical medicine or the basic sciences as applied to medicine. Nominations for this award may be made by submitting an essay, curriculum vitae, and a photograph to the headquarters

office by July 1. Any member of the Association is eligible to receive this award and nominations may be made by any member of the Association. The Committee on Special Awards evaluates all essays submitted, and the recipient is notified and receives the Award at the last general session of an Annual Meeting.

Recipients of the Dr. Robert D. & Alma W. Moreton Original Research Award

- 1968- New Orleans Meeting- Donald E. McCollum, M.D., Durham, N.C., Robert S. Matthews, M.D., Greenville, S.C., and Michael T. O'Neill, M.D., Durham, N.C., for their essay "Aseptic Necrosis of the Femoral Head: Associated Diseases and Evaluation of Treatment."
- 1973- San Antonio Meeting- Gilbert H. Fletcher M.D., Houston, Tex., for his work in building the first practical head for the housing of cobalt in the giving of external radiation.
- 1974- Atlanta Meeting- John W. Kirklin, M.D., Birmingham, Ala.
- 1975- Miami Beach Meeting- Cornelia P. Channing, Ph.D., Baltimore, Md.
- 1978- Atlanta Meeting- Bruce Schoenberg, M.D., Bethesda, Md.
- 1980- San Antonio Meeting- George W. Molnar, Ph.D., Little Rock, Ark.
- 1981- New Orleans Meeting- John Barry McCraw, M.D., Norfolk, Va.
- 1983- Baltimore Meeting- Howard W. Jones, M.D. and Georgeanna Seegar Jones, M.D., Norfolk, Va.
- 1986- Atlanta Meeting- Franz H. Messerli, M.D. New Orleans, La.
- 1989- Washington, D.C. Meeting- David W. Billheimer, M.D., Dallas, Tx.
- 1990- Nashville Meeting- James A. Roberts, M.D., Covington, La.
- 1992- San Antonio Meeting- Joseph G. Sinkovics M.D., Tampa, Fl.

- 1993- New Orleans Meeting- John J. Costanzi, M.D., Austin, Tx.
 - 1994- Orlando Meeting- Paul C. Gillette, M.D., Charleston, SC
 - 1995- Kansas City Meeting- R. Neal Garrison, M.D., Louisville, KY
 - 1996- Baltimore Meeting- Richard W. McCallum, M.D., Kansas City, KS
 - 1997- Charlotte Meeting - Eugene A. Woltering, M.D., New Orleans, LA
 - 1998- New Orleans Meeting - Steven D. Wexner, M.D., Ft. Lauderdale, FL
 - 1999- No award given
 - 2000- Orlando Meeting - Mark Abel, M.D., Charlottesville, VA
 - 2001- No award given
 - 2002- No award given
 - 2003- No award given
 - 2004- New Orleans Meeting - Richard DeShazo, M.D., Jackson, MS
 - 2005- San Antonio Meeting- Dr. Razelle Kurzrock of Belleaire, Texas
- ### **The Distinguished Service Award...**

At the Houston Meeting in 1955 the Association created the Distinguished Service Award, which may be awarded annually to any member of the Association in recognition of outstanding contributions to the advancement of medical science and/or the Association. Any member of the Association is eligible to receive this award and nominations may be made by any member of the Association. Deadline for receiving nominations is July 1. The Committee on Special Awards evaluates all nominations and the recipient is notified and receives the Award at the last general session of an Annual Meeting.

Recipients of the Distinguished Service Award

- 1956- Washington Meeting- Curtice Rosser, M.D., Dallas, Tex.
- 1957- Miami Beach Meeting- Kenneth

- M. Lynch, M.D., Charleston, S.C.
- 1958- New Orleans Meeting- T. W. Moore, M.D., Huntington, W.Va.
- 1959- Atlanta Meeting- R. L. Sanders, M.D., Memphis, TN
- 1960- St. Louis Meeting- Everett S. Lain, M.D., Oklahoma City, OK
- 1961- Dallas Meeting- George E. Burch, M.D., New Orleans, LA
- 1962- Miami Beach Meeting- Wilburt C. Davison M.D., Durham, N.C.
- 1963- New Orleans Meeting- Fount Richardson M.D., Fayetteville, Ark. (posthumously)
- 1964- Memphis Meeting- Hollis E. Johnson, M.D., Nashville, Tenn.
- 1965- Houston Meeting- Milford O. Rouse, M.D., Dallas, Tex.
- 1967- Miami Beach Meeting- Robert D. Moreton, M.D., Houston, Tex.
- 1968- New Orleans Meeting- M. Pinson Neal, Sr., M.D., Columbia, Mo.
- 1969- Atlanta Meeting- R. H. Kampmeier, M.D., Nashville, TN
- 1970- Dallas Meeting- Joe T. Nelson, M.D. Weatherford, Tex.
- 1971- Miami Beach Meeting- Seymour F. Ochsner, M.D., New Orleans, La.
- 1972- New Orleans Meeting- Charles M. Caravati, M.D., Richmond, VA
- 1973- San Antonio Meeting- Edgar Hull M.D., Pascagoula, Miss.
- 1974- Atlanta Meeting- Woodard D. Beacham M.D., New Orleans, LA
- 1975- Miami Beach Meeting- George H. Yeager M.D., Baltimore, Md.
- 1976- New Orleans Meeting- J. Garber Galbraith, M.D., Birmingham, Ala.
- 1977- Dallas Meeting- Harris D. Riley, Jr., M.D., Oklahoma City, Okla.
- 1978- Atlanta Meeting- N. C. Hightower, Jr., M.D., Temple, TX
- 1979- Las Vegas Meeting- Margaret S. Klapper, M.D., Birmingham, AL
- 1980- San Antonio Meeting- Howard L. Holley, M.D., Birmingham, Ala.
- 1981- New Orleans Meeting- Walter C. Jones, M.D., Coral Gables, FL
- 1982- Atlanta Meeting- George M. Haik, M.D., New Orleans, La.
- 1983- Baltimore Meeting- Phillip W. Voltz, Jr., M.D., San Antonio, Tex.
- 1984- New Orleans Meeting- H. William Scott, Jr., M.D., Nashville, Tenn.
- 1985- Orlando Meeting- James C. (J.C.) Tanner, Jr., M.D., Atlanta, GA.
- 1986- Atlanta Meeting- John Adriani, M.D., New Orleans, La.
- 1987- San Antonio Meeting- John B. Thomison, M.D., Nashville, Tenn.
- 1988- New Orleans Meeting- Albert C. Esposito, M.D., Huntington, W.V.
- 1989- Washington, D.C. Meeting- Hiram C. Polk, Jr, M.D., Louisville, Ky.
- 1990- Nashville Meeting- Lenox D. Baker, M.D., Durham, N.C.
- 1991- Atlanta Meeting- G. Thomas Jansen, M.D., Little Rock, Ark.
- 1992- San Antonio Meeting- Charles E. Horton, M.D., Norfolk, Va.
- 1993- New Orleans Meeting- Edward T. Kremenz, M.D., New Orleans, La.
- 1994- Orlando Meeting- M. Pinson Neal, Jr., M.D., Richmond, VA
- 1995- Kansas City Meeting- J. Leonard Goldner, M.D., Durham, NC
- 1996- Baltimore Meeting- Thomas B. Dameron, Jr., M.D., Raleigh, NC
- 1997- Charlotte Meeting - James E. Davis, M.D., Durham, NC
- 1998- New Orleans Meeting - C. Thorpe Ray, M.D., New Orleans, LA
- 1999- Dallas Meeting- H. Mac Vandiviere, M.D., Lancaster, KY
- 2000- Orlando Meeting- Robert E. Pickard, M.D., South Miami, FL
- 2001- Nashville Meeting- Jack C. Hughston, M.D., Columbus, GA
- 2002 - Washington Meeting - George S. Ellis, Sr., M.D., New Orleans, LA
- 2003- Atlanta Meeting - J. Patrick O'Leary, M.D., New Orleans, LA
- 2004- New Orleans Meeting - J. Lee Dockery, M.D., Gainesville, FL

2005- San Antonio Meeting - J. Graham Smith, M.D., Mobile, AL

Seale Harris Award...

Established at the New Orleans Meeting in 1958, this award is presented annually to any member of the Association in recognition for important research accomplishment in the broad field of metabolism, endocrinology, nutrition, or for research which contributes to a better understanding of the chemical changes occurring in disease. Any member of the Association is eligible to receive this award and nominations may be made by any member of the Association. Deadline for receiving nominations is July 1. After nominations are evaluated by the Committee on Special Awards, the recipient is notified and receives the award at the last general session of an Annual Meeting.

Recipients of the Seale Harris Award

- 1959- Atlanta Meeting- Tom Douglas Spies, M.D., Birmingham, Ala., "for his contributions and accomplishments in the field of nutrition."
- 1960- St. Louis Meeting- Nicholas C. Hightower, Jr. M.D., Temple, Tex., "for his investigations and achievements in the field of metabolic diseases and gastroenterology."
- 1961- Dallas Meeting- Henry H. Turner, M.D., Oklahoma City, Okla. "for his distinguished and meritorious work in glandular disorders in the human, to which he has contributed internationally, and for which he is so widely accepted as an authority."
- 1962- Miami Beach Meeting- Howard L. Holley M.D., Birmingham, Ala., "for his investigations on the synovial fluid in normal subjects and in patients with rheumatoid arthritis and for more recent studies on the chemical nature of hyaluronic acid."

1963- New Orleans Meeting- Joe M. Blumberg, M.D., Washington, D.C., "for his investigations and achievements in pathology and research and for his contributions to medicine which have been recognized and accepted all over the world."

1967- Miami Beach Meeting- Julian M. Ruffin, M.D., Durham, N.C., "for his original investigative work centering about the malabsorption state, elucidation of the etiology of Whipple's disease and its management, and the nature of duodenal ulcer pain." (Note: actual presentation of this award was at the 1968 Meeting in New Orleans).

1970- Dallas Meeting- Grace Goldsmith, M.D., New Orleans, La., "for her investigations and research in the fields of metabolism and nutrition."

1972- New Orleans Meeting- John T. Galambos, M.D., Atlanta, Ga., "for his research and contributions to the field of gastroenterology."

1973- San Antonio Meeting- Stanley J. Dudrick, M.D., Houston, Tex., "for his work in intravenous alimentation."

1974- Atlanta Meeting- H. Harlan Stone, M.D., Atlanta, Ga.; Robert S. Nelson, M.D., Houston, Tex.

1975- Miami Beach Meeting- W. Dean Warren, M.D., Atlanta, Ga.

1976- New Orleans Meeting- John S. Fordtran, M.D., Dallas, Tex.

1980- San Antonio Meeting- Elliot Weser, M.D., San Antonio, Tex.

1981- New Orleans Meeting- Constance Pittman, M.D., Birmingham, Ala.

1982- Atlanta Meeting- Hiram C. Polk, M.D., Louisville, Ky.

1983- Baltimore Meeting- Addison B. Scoville, Jr., M.D., Nashville, Tenn.

1984- New Orleans Meeting- Edward M. Copeland, III, M.D., Gainesville, Fla.

- 1986- Atlanta Meeting- James M. Moss, M.D., Alexandria, Va.
- 1987- San Antonio Meeting- J. Claude Bennett, M.D., Birmingham, Ala.
- 1988- New Orleans Meeting- Albert L. Hyman, M.D., New Orleans, La.
- 1990- Nashville Meeting- Paul G. McDonough M.D., Augusta, Ga.
- 1991- Atlanta Meeting- Vardaman M. Buckalew, Jr., M.D., Winston-Salem, N.C.
- 1992- San Antonio Meeting- Basil Isaac Hirschowitz, M.D., Birmingham, AL
- 1993- New Orleans Meeting- Buris R. Boshell, M.D., Birmingham, AL
- 1994- Orlando Meeting- James A. Pittman, Jr., M.D., Birmingham, AL
- 1995- Kansas City Meeting- Antonio M. Gotto, Jr., M.D., Houston, TX
- 1996- Baltimore Meeting- David A. Clark, M.D., New Orleans, LA
- 1997- Charlotte Meeting - Samuel Eichold, M.D., Mobile, AL
- 1998- New Orleans Meeting - Alan L. Buchman, M.D., M.S.P.H., Houston, TX
- 1999- No award given this year
- 2000- No award given this year
- 2001- No award given this year
- 2002- Washington, DC Meeting- David S. H. Bell, M.D., Birmingham, AL
- 2003- Atlanta Meeting - Aaron I. Vinik, MD, PhD Norfolk, VA
- 2004- New Orleans Meeting - James W. Anderson, MD Lexington, KY

The Scientific Exhibit and Poster Awards...

Scientific exhibits became an official part of the annual meeting at the Louisville Meeting in 1920. The Council established a Committee on Scientific Exhibit Awards, and Certificates were given for: Best Exhibit by an Individual Physician; Best Exhibit by a Medical School; Best General Exhibit. In 1924, the Council voted to change the award

designation to: First Award; Second Award; Third Award; and, Honorable Mention Award(s) at the discretion of the Committee. In 1984, six place awards were offered and the Honorable Mention was changed to Certificate of Merit. In 1988, poster presentations were included as part of the scientific portion of the annual meeting.

The Committee on Scientific Exhibits, Posters and Awards is a subcommittee of the Advisory Committee on Scientific Activities.

The following standards are used by the Committee in making the scientific exhibit awards: originality, practicability, applicability to practice of medicine, quality, teaching, value, quantity and personal demonstration.

A plaque, certificate and ribbon are awarded for first place, and certificates and ribbons are awarded for second through sixth places. Certificates of Merit are awarded for those exhibits warranting such recognition. Recognition certificates are given to all participating scientific exhibitors and poster presenters.

The Technical Exhibit Award...

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council held in Atlanta, Ga., March 31, 1973, the C. P. Loran Award for the outstanding Technical Exhibit was established. Recipients of this award are:

- 1973- San Antonio Meeting- Roche Laboratories, "Heart Sounds."
- 1974- Atlanta Meeting- Roche Laboratories
- 1975- Miami Beach Meeting- Eli Lilly & Company
- 1976- New Orleans Meeting- Merck, Sharp & Dohme
- 1977- Dallas Meeting- Roche Laboratories
- 1978- Atlanta Meeting- Schering Laboratories
- 1979- Las Vegas Meeting- Wyeth Laboratories

- 1981- New Orleans Meeting- Wyeth Laboratories
- 1982- Atlanta Meeting- Pfizer Laboratories
- 1983- Baltimore Meeting- Roche Laboratories
- 1984- New Orleans Meeting- Schering Laboratories
- 1985- Orlando Meeting- Roche Laboratories
- 1986- Atlanta Meeting- The Upjohn Company
- 1987- San Antonio Meeting- Mead Johnson Pharmaceuticals
- 1988- New Orleans Meeting- Parke-Davis
- 1989- Washington, D.C. Meeting- Roerig Division, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals
- 1990- Nashville Meeting- Mead Johnson Pharmaceuticals
- 1991- Atlanta Meeting- Sandoz Pharmaceuticals Corporation
- 1992- San Antonio Meeting- Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories
- 1993- New Orleans Meeting- U.S. Pharmaceuticals Group: Pfizer Labs, Pratt Pharmaceuticals, and Roerig.
- 1994- Orlando Meeting- Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories
- 1995- Kansas City Meeting- Hoechst Roussel Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- 1996- Baltimore Meeting- Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories
- 1997- Novartis Pharmaceuticals
- 1998- Eli Lilly and Company
- 1999- Pfizer Pharmaceuticals
- 2000- Aventis Pharmaceuticals

VIII. Southern Medical Association Alliance

During the Southern Medical Association Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., November, 1923, Mrs. Seale Harris of Birmingham, Alabama, was chosen to organize an Auxiliary for this group. The proposed Auxiliary was organized the following year during the SMA Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana. There were 88 charter members from 16 states and the District of Columbia.

In 2004 at the Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana the decision was made to change the name from Auxiliary to Alliance.

Spouses of members of the Southern Medical Association are automatically members of the SMA Alliance and there are no membership dues. Membership is limited to spouses of physicians who are members of SMA and widows/widowers of deceased members who were in good standing at the time of death.

Through the year, the SMA Alliance participates in several interesting projects, including the promotion of Doctors' Day, the encouragement of participation in Medical Heritage (Research and Romance) projects, Health Education Awareness, and Membership. In addition, the Alliance assists in fund raising for the SMA Research & Education Endowment Fund.

The Alliance also maintains a close relationship with the state medical alliances in each of its member states and aids in the promotion of membership in the Association.

The Southern Medical Association Alliance has made an organized effort to develop meaningful programs for the spouses of SMA members and to support SMA in pursuit of its mission and goals.

To improve communications, the SMA Alliance publishes a newsletter entitled SOUTHERN CONNECTION.

This newsletter serves as a vehicle for presenting information, programs, and services available to Alliance members from the Southern Medical Association. It also helps to inform Alliance members around the region of activities of interest underway for various Alliance members.

The Southern Medical Association Alliance continues to grow in strength and in dedication, always striving to build a stronger and more effective organization.

Headquarters Office and Staff of the Southern Medical Association

Prior to 1910, physicians elected to the office of Secretary, Treasurer, or Secretary and Treasurer maintained Association records. In that year, Seale Harris, M.D., of Mobile, Alabama, was elected Secretary and Treasurer. He maintained the Association offices in Mobile until July 1915, when he relocated to Birmingham, Alabama, and moved the Association's offices to the Empire Building. Dr. Harris served as Secretary and Treasurer, as well as Editor, until his retirement in 1921. While Dr. Harris was on active military duty from November 1917 until November 1919, James R. Garber, M.D., was Acting Secretary.

Upon Dr. Harris' retirement, Mr. C. P. Lorz of Birmingham was named Secretary-Treasurer and Business Manager, a position he held until November 1928. He had worked for Dr. Harris as Business Manager of Southern Medical Journal, which was then privately owned by Dr. Harris. Mr. Lorz was designated Assistant Treasurer of the Association in November 1914 and Business Manager in November 1916. His title was changed to Secretary, Treasurer, and General Manager in November 1928, and, under the all-inclusive title of Secretary-Manager, he served until December 1, 1954.

On that date, Mr. V.O. Foster of Birmingham took over the executive duties of the Association with the new title of Executive Secretary and Treasurer, with a five-year contract. However, the Council, wishing to continue using the vast experiences of Mr. Lorz after his retirement, voted to retain Mr. Lorz as Advisor and Professional Relations Counselor for a period of three years. This arrangement was renewed for a second three-year period ending December 1, 1957. Mr.

Butts, who had served as Assistant to the Secretary-Manager, 1948-1950, and Assistant Secretary-Manager, 1950-1954, was elected Business Manager with a five-year contract beginning December 1, 1954.

In September 1959 Mr. Foster became ill before fulfilling his contract. Mr. Butts was asked to serve as Acting Executive Secretary and Treasurer until further notice in addition to continuing as Business Manager.

At the Dallas Meeting, November 1961, Mr. Butts was given the title of Executive Director, which would include his present titles of Executive Secretary and Treasurer, Business Manager, and Managing Editor.

Following a Constitutional change in November 1977, Mr. Butts assumed the title of Executive Vice-President. The Bylaws were changed during the New Orleans Meeting in November 1976 to reflect this change.

Mr. Butts retired from his position as Executive Vice-President on July 1, 1980, but remained as a Consultant until December 1981.

Mr. William J. Ranieri was appointed the New Executive Officer in August 1980.

In March 2000 Mr. James H. Leverett was appointed the new Executive Officer.

In July 2002 Mr. Edward J. Waldron was appointed as Interim Executive Vice President and in May, 2003 as Executive Vice-President.

In 1984 SMA Services, Inc. was organized as a wholly owned subsidiary, and Mr. Ranieri was appointed as its President and Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. James H. Leverett was appointed as its President and Chief Executive Officer in March 2000.

Mr. Edward J. Waldron was appointed as its President in May, 2003.

THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICE

The Association's offices were in the Van Antwerp Building, Mobile Ala., from November 1910 until July 1915 and in the Empire Building in Birmingham from July 15, 1915 until 1958.

Ground-breaking ceremonies for one of the country's most modern association buildings were held on August 4, 1957. The split-level structure of masonry and glass, located at 2601 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, completed at a cost of \$250,000 was dedicated September 7, 1958.

The headquarters office contained 6,854 square feet of space and was situated on a lot of nearly one and one-half acres. It provided a meeting place and business center, executive offices, offices for the Association's publications, Auxiliary room, mailing room, conference room, and storage space.

In July 1984, the headquarters office was moved to a new building at 35 Lakeshore Drive. Tastefully furnished, the building contains 22,000 square feet of space and is situated on 2 acres with beautiful landscaping, convenient to the interstate system. The office building has easy access to all areas of Birmingham and is only 15 minutes from the airport.

Places of Meetings and Presidents

1906	Chattanooga, TN, organization meeting
1907	Birmingham, AL, *H. H. Martin, Savannah, GA
1908	Atlanta, GA, *B. L. Wyman, Birmingham, AL
1909	New Orleans, LA, *G. C. Savage, Nashville, TN
1910	Nashville, TN, *W. W. Crawford, Hattiesburg, MS
1911	Hattiesburg, MS, *Isadore Dyer, New Orleans, LA
1912	Jacksonville, FL, *James M. Jackson, Miami, FL
1913	Lexington, KY, *Frank A. Jones, Memphis, TN
1914	Richmond, VA, *Stuart McGuire, Richmond, VA
1915	Dallas, TX, *Oscar Dowling, New Orleans, LA
1916	Atlanta, GA, *Robert Wilson, Charleston, SC
1917	Memphis, TN, *Duncan Eve, Sr., Nashville, TN
1918	Influenza pandemic; no meeting that year
1919	Asheville, NC, *Lewellys F. Barker, Baltimore, MD
1920	Louisville, KY, *E. H. Cary, Dallas, TX
1921	Hot Springs National Park, AR, *Jere L. Crook, Jackson, TN
1922	Chattanooga, TN, *Seale Harris, Birmingham, AL
1923	Washington, DC, *W. S. Leathers, Jackson, MS
1924	New Orleans, LA, *Charles L. Minor, Asheville, NC
1925	Dallas, TX, *Stewart R. Roberts, Atlanta, GA
1926	Atlanta, GA, *C. C. Bass, New Orleans, LA
1927	Memphis, TN, *J. Shelton Horsley, Richmond, VA
1928	Asheville, NC, *William R. Bathurst, Little Rock, AR
1929	Miami, FL, *T. W. Moore, Huntington, WV
1930	Louisville, KY, *Hugh S. Cumming, Washington, DC
1931	New Orleans, LA, *Felix J. Underwood, Jackson, MS
1932	Birmingham, AL, *Lewis J. Moorman, Oklahoma City, OK
1933	Richmond, VA, *Irvin Abell, Louisville, KY
1934	San Antonio, TX, *Hugh Leslie Moore, Dallas, TX
1935	St. Louis, MO, *H. Marshall Taylor, Jacksonville, FL
1936	Baltimore, MD, *Fred M. Hodges, Richmond, VA
1937	New Orleans, LA, *Frank K. Boland, Atlanta, GA
1938	Oklahoma City, OK, *J. W. Jervy, Greenville, SC
1939	Memphis, TN, *Walter E. Vest, Huntington, WV
1940	Louisville, KY, *Arthur T. McCormack, Louisville, KY
1941	St. Louis, MO, *Paul H. Ringer, Asheville, NC
1942	Richmond, VA, *M. Pinson Neal, Sr., Columbia, MO
1943	Cincinnati, OH, *Harvey F. Garrison, Jackson, MS
1944	St. Louis, MO, *James A. Ryan, Covington, KY
1945	Cincinnati, OH, *Edgar G. Ballenger, Atlanta, GA (Deceased in Office) *E. Vernon Mastin, St. Louis, MO (President at Annual Meeting)
1946	Miami, FL, *M. Y. Dabney, Birmingham, AL
1947	Baltimore, MD, *Elmer L. Henderson, Louisville, KY
1948	Miami, FL, *Lucien A. LeDoux, New Orleans, LA
1949	Cincinnati, OH, *Oscar B. Hunter, Sr., Washington, DC
1950	St. Louis, MO, *Hamilton W. McKay, Charlotte, NC
1951	Dallas, TX, *Curtice Rosser, Dallas, TX

1952 Miami, FL, *R. J. Wilkinson, Huntington, WV
 1953 Atlanta, GA, *Walter C. Jones, Miami, FL
 1954 St. Louis, MO, *Alphonse McMahon, St. Louis, MO
 1955 Houston, TX, *R. L. Sanders, Memphis, TN
 1956 Washington, DC, *W. Raymond McKenzie, Baltimore, MD
 1957 Miami Beach, FL, *J. P. Culpepper, Jr., Hattiesburg, MS
 1958 New Orleans, LA, *W. Kelly West, Oklahoma City, OK
 1959 Atlanta, GA, *Milford O. Rouse, Dallas, TX
 1960 St. Louis, MO, *Edwin Hugh Lawson, New Orleans, LA
 1961 Dallas, TX, *Lee F. Turlington, Birmingham, AL
 1962 Miami Beach, FL, *A. Clayton McCarty, Louisville, KY
 1963 New Orleans, LA, *Daniel L. Sexton, St. Louis, MO
 1964 Memphis, TN, *Robert D. Moreton, Houston, TX
 1965 Houston, TX, *R. H. Kampmeier, Nashville, TN
 1966 Washington, DC, *J. Garber Galbraith, Birmingham, AL
 1967 Miami Beach, FL, Guy Thompson Vise, Sr., Meridian, MS
 1968 New Orleans, LA, *Oscar R. Hunter, Jr., Washington, DC
 1969 Atlanta, GA, *Donald F. Marion, Miami, FL
 1970 Dallas, TX, J. Leonard Goldner, Durham, NC
 1971 Miami Beach, FL, *Albert C. Esposito, Huntington, WV
 1972 New Orleans, LA, *J. Hoyle Carlock, Ardmore, OK
 1973 San Antonio, TX, *Joe T. Nelson, Weatherford, TX
 1974 Atlanta, GA, George J. Carroll, Suffolk, VA
 1975 Miami Beach, FL, *Andrew M. Moore, Lexington, KY
 1976 New Orleans, LA, *G. Gordon McHardy, New Orleans, LA
 1977 Dallas, TX, G. Thomas Jansen, Little Rock, AR
 1978 Atlanta, GA, Andrew F. Geisen, Jr., Fort Walton Beach, FL
 1979 Las Vegas, NV, Thomas B. Dameron, Jr., Raleigh, NC
 1980 San Antonio, TX, G. Baker Hubbard, Sr., Jackson, TN
 1981 New Orleans, LA, J. Ralph Meier, New Orleans, LA
 1982 Atlanta, GA, *Edwin C. Evans, Atlanta, GA
 1983 Baltimore, MD, M. Pinson Neal, Jr., Richmond, VA
 1984 New Orleans, LA, Richard D. Richards, Baltimore, MD
 1985 Orlando, FL, John B. Lynch, Nashville, TN
 1986 Atlanta, GA, Guy T. Vise, Jr., Jackson, MS
 1987 San Antonio, TX, William W. Moore, Jr., Atlanta, GA
 1988 New Orleans, LA, J. Lee Dockery, Gainesville, FL
 1989 Washington, DC, Roger L. Mell, Chesterfield, MO
 1990 Nashville, TN, Larry C. Smith, Huntington, WV
 1991 Atlanta, GA, Jim C. Barnett, Brookhaven, MS
 1992 San Antonio, TX, John F. Redman, Little Rock, AR
 1993 New Orleans, LA, Thomas C. Rowland, Jr., Columbia, SC
 1994 Orlando, FL, Angus M. McBryde, Jr., Mobile, AL
 1995 Kansas City, MO, Louis A. Cancellaro, Johnson City, TN
 1996 Baltimore, MD, J. Edward Hill, Tupelo, MS
 1997 Charlotte, NC, Terrell B. Tanner, East Elijay, GA
 1998 New Orleans, LA, J. Lorin Mason, Jr., Pawley's Island, SC
 1999 Dallas, TX, Hugh E. Stephenson, Jr., Columbia, MO
 2000 Orlando, FL, Ronald C. Hamdy, Johnson City, TN

2001	Nashville, TN, James C. Waites, Laurel, MS
2002	Washington, DC, Jean Edwards Holt, San Antonio, TX
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