Advocacy, Leadership, Quality and Professional Identity

2013-2014

Yearbook



SMA Southern Medical Association



Leadership Guide

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The Southern Medical Association promotes the health of patients through advocacy, leadership, education, and service.

What We Value Advocacy Leadership Collegiality Innovation

What We Believe

- That physicians must be advocates for their patients and provide the leadership necessary to promote better health care in their communities;
- That education and scholarly interactions must be conducted in a collegial, supportive environment;
- That collaboration and innovation in health care delivery will best serve our patients as we work together to attain optimal health.

Our Vision

The Southern Medical Association will be the preferred association for physicians and health professionals, and will be recognized for advocacy on key practice issues including leadership development for physicians, multi-specialty and interdisciplinary education and training, and innovative health care delivery models and services that improve quality and access to care.



The Practice of Medicine is all About Relationships

Southern Medical Association has always fulfilled the gap left behind when other associations chose to move in different directions. Today more than ever physicians continue to look toward SMA for the necessary tools to fulfill their own personal and professional goals.

SMA is an organization committed to promoting the health of patients through physician advocacy and a culture of leadership which enhances professional development.

Who better to build a long standing relationship with than an association which offers more than any other association in the U.S.

SMA accomplishes this with a balanced portfolio of tangible and intangible products and services, organized to foster Advocacy, Leadership, Quality and Professional Identity.

This is the most comprehensive portfolio offered by any medical association in the U.S.

The unique blend of opportunities provides you the means to build your professional identity and enhance your professional and leadership skills empowering you as a strong advocate for quality healthcare.

And, through a renewed structure of "grass roots" involvement, SMA is fast becoming a vibrant community of physicians with a bias for action in order to meet the difficult challenges of providing medicine today. SMA is here not only to help you survive in this environment... but thrive.

SMA...where everybody knows your name.

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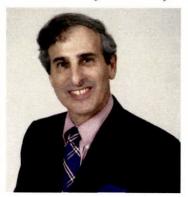
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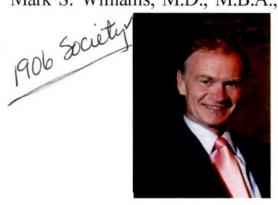
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The Society of 1924 was established not only to commemorate the date the SMA Alliance was founded but to provide a vehicle by which SMA and SMA Alliance * members may receive recognition for continued contributions to the Association's existing Research and Education Endowment Fund. The purpose of the Society is to enable further investment for members in the future of medical and health care delivery by providing scholarships for third year medical students.

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Procedures for Committees

There are five Coordinating Committee groups: Advocacy, Leadership and Professional Identity, Quality, CME and Membership. Each coordinating committee will be comprised of members at large, Councilors and Alliance VPs. Councilors will be appointed as Chairs of each committee by the President. The Chair will then appoint a Vice-Chair from committee participants to assist with agenda preparation and to moderate in case of CC Chair absence or unavailability during a conference call.

The mission of each Coordinating Committee is listed below. Committee focus will remain within the mission. Any ideas for professional development courses will be sent to the CME Committee for review and inclusion in upcoming conferences as appropriate. If there is not a fit in an upcoming conference, the CME Committee will consider other modes of presentation, webinars, on-demand or a conference on the topic if they consider it worthwhile.

These coordinating committees will also serve as the "review" group for any new product, service or program being considered by SMA for implementation. Their input will be crucial in determining if the item being considered would be of interest to member physicians.

Each coordinating committee will have an internal support team liaison. This support person will work with the Chairs to set up conference calls, prepare minutes, notify membership of meetings, prepare grassroots suggestions for review by committee and other support as needed.

Coordinating committee efforts will be provided to the members via the website, emails and mailings as appropriate. It is important to keep the members involved and show them their ideas/suggestions are being acted upon.

Advocacy

This committee focuses on issues facing physicians and how they can become "the voice" for themselves and their patients.

Leadership and Professional Identity

This committee will be responsible for addressing issues as they relate to enhancing, building and maintaining the physician identity as leader of the healthcare team.

Quality

This committee will be responsible for addressing quality issues as they relate to medicine, physicians and patients.

Membership

This committee will identify goals and direction for growing and retaining membership.

CME

This committee will be responsible for the review of all new and current CME programs and ideas.

Coordinating Committee Chairs will meet once a quarter via conference call with Dr. Goodman with the first call taking place in December, 2013.

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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 Corporation may be used for legal purposes or activities allowed Nonprofit Corporations by the laws of the State of Alabama.

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 or application to physicians who are eligible to be members of the state medical societies of any state in the United States, District of Columbia, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico; to medical officers of the uniformed services and the Veterans Administration.

1. SECTION 2. Other Members. This Association may have such classes of members as deemed appropriate by the Council.

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS

SECTION 1. Officers of the Association. The officers of the Association shall be a President, President-Elect, Immediate Past-President, President-elect Designee, Councilors, and an Executive Vice-President (or Chief Executive Officer).

SECTION 2. Councilors. The Councilors shall be elected as provided in the Bylaws. One Councilor will be elected from each of the following states or district: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Councilors shall serve five year terms. The Councilor terms expire with the close of the annual business meetings. The Council shall be the governing body of the Association.

ARTICLE VII: ASSOCIATION BUSINESS AND ACTIVITIES

SECTION 1. Annual Meetings. The Association shall hold at least one business meeting each year 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 sessions, technical and scientific exhibits, and such general programs as may be arranged by the Association. The time and place for holding each business meeting shall be fixed by the Council.

SECTION 2. Scientific Activities. The Association may from time to time constitute and designate scientific activities which shall be organized and shall perform such duties and responsibilities as may be from time to time designated by the Council.

SECTION 3. Publications. The Association may 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 W. Lakeshore Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35209.

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS

The Association may, at any business meeting, amend the Articles of Incorporation by a two-third's affirmative vote of the members present and voting during a business meeting, provided the amendment has been presented to the membership at least 30 days prior to the meeting. The membership notice shall include the proposed amendment and the date, time and place of the business meeting where said amendment will be on the agenda.

ARTICLE XI: REQUIREMENTS OF THE ALABAMA NONPROFIT BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND SECTION 501(c)(3) OFTHE 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 onundistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal RevenueCode("Code")orthe 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 expenditure so as to subject it to tax under Section 4945(d) of the Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Amended August 7, 2008

Bylaws

BYLAWS SOUTHERN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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.
- 2. Active Members shall have full privileges of Association membership, including the right to hold office, vote, and receive the publications of the Association unless specifically restricted in the Bylaws.
- 3. Active Members shall pay full dues to the Association as determined by the Council; Active Members who retire from practice may become active retired members.

B. Associate Members

The Association may have Associate Members as determined by the Council from time to time and at its sole discretion:

Class 1. A physician in training who is an intern, resident, or fellow at an accredited medical or accredited osteopathic training program, who may or may not be a member of a state medical society and medical and osteopathic students accredited medical or accredited osteopathic schools in the United States, District of

Columbia, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico.

- Class 2. A licensed allied health professional who is a member of their professional association; or a physician assistant or nurse practitioner
 - 1. Associate Members shall neither hold office nor be entitled to vote.
 - 2. Associate Members shall pay dues, and receive benefits of membership as determined by the Council.

C. Other membership types The Association may have such classes of membership types as deemed appropriate by the Council. The Council may modify, change, add, remove, or restrict the benefits of or the requirements for membership class as well as the types or classes of

SECTION 2. Application for Membership

membership of the Association.

The membership application must be completed by the applicant and all required information received before the application is considered complete. The Association reserves the right to accept or reject any applicant for membership.

SECTION 3. Termination of Membership

Any member who has had their medical license or any licensure suspended or revoked by a state board of medical examiners or comparable licensing agency shall automatically forfeit his/her membership in the Association.

SECTION 4. Reinstatement A former member whose membership in the Association has been forfeited may, after a period of one year, reapply for membership in the Association if

that member's suspended or revoked medical license or any licensure has been reinstated

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

A. 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.

B. Upon payment of their dues they are 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

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 an Executive Director determined by the Council.

A. To be eligible for the office of President-Elect of the Association such person shall be a member in

SECTION 3. Qualifications

such person shall be a member in good standing of the Association and a current Councilor with at least two years experience in their present term as Councilor.

B. To be eligible for the office of Councilor, such person shall be a member in good standing of the Association and an Associate Councilor, or have served in a leadership role or have been an active member in the Association. To be eligible for election as a Councilor, the active member must reside or practice in the one of the following states or district: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Councilor(s) may be appointed on an ad hoc basis by the Council for the benefit and convenience of the Association with voting rights determined by the Council.

SECTION 4. Term of Office

A. The term of the elected officers shall be five years for Councilor and for other officers as determined by the Council 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 Designee

A. Eligibility of the President-Elect Designee requires the candidate to be a member in good standing of the Association, a current Councilor who has served on the Council and will meet the requirements for the elected office.

B. Eligible Councilors will declare their intent to run for the office of President-Elect Designate at the business meeting of the Council held during the annual meeting of the association.

C. The election process will be determined by the Council.

SECTION 6. Election Process for Councilor

A. Nominees for Councilor must meet the qualifications outlined in Section 3B of Article III. B.The election process will be determined by the Council.

SECTION 7. Vacancy in Office A. A vacancy in an elected office shall be filled in the following manner

- 1. A vacancy in the office of
 President shall be filled by the
 President-Elect for the remainder
 of the term of office and then the
 promoted President-Elect will serve
 their full elected term as President.
 2. A vacancy in the office of
 President-Elect shall be filled by
 the President-Elect Designate who
 will serve as President-Elect for
 the remainder of the vacated term
 of office and will then serve as
 President.
- 3. A vacancy in the office of President-Elect Designate shall be assumed by the candidate receiving the next highest number of votes in the election of President-Elect Designate.
- 4. A vacancy in the office of a Councilor may be filled by the President on an interim basis by appointment until such time as an appropriate election can be held. The Interim Councilor shall meet the requirements of Article III Section 3B. The term of the Interim Councilor so appointed shall expire with the term of the President who appointed the Interim Councilor or the election of a new Councilor for the state or district whichever occurs first. This does not preclude a succeeding President from appointing a qualified Interim Councilor to continue until such time when an appropriate election can be held.

SECTION 8. Duties of Officers A. President

- 1. The President shall carry out the will of the Council.
- 2. The President shall preside over

- all general sessions of an Annual Meeting and all functions at which the Association is host.
- The President may deliver an annual address at the general session to be held at a time and place decided upon by the Council.
- 4. The President shall be the Chairman of the Council and of the Executive Committee of the Council, but shall not be eligible to vote except to cast a vote in the event of a tie. They shall preside over all meetings of the Council and of the Executive Committee.
- The President shall provide advice and counsel in the formulation of all programs and services of the Association.
- 6. The President shall appoint, on nomination by the respective Councilor, up to five Associate Councilors from each state or district.
- 7. 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.
- 8. The President or any two members of the Executive Committee may convene a meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 9. The President shall appoint members of committees and chairs of committees in accordance with these Bylaws except as otherwise provided. 10. The President shall preside over the planning of the Annual Meeting of the membership.
- 11. The President shall serve as an exofficio member of all committees of the Association.
- 12. The President shall fulfill such other duties as may pertain to the office of President as assigned by the Council.
- B. President-Elect

- 1. The President-Elect shall assist the President and assume Presidential duties in the absence of the President. 2. The President-Elect shall serve as Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Executive Committee.
- 3. The President-Elect shall have such other duties and responsibilities as may be required of the office.
- C. President-Elect Designate
 The President-Elect Designate shall
 remain as Councilor until taking office
 as President-Elect and will serve as a
 member of the Executive Committee.
- D. Executive Director
 The duties and responsibilities of the
 Executive Director shall be as stated in
 Article VI, Section 1.

E. Councilors

1. Composition of Council The Council shall consist of twentyone members, three of whom shall be the officers of the Southern Medical Association: the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past-President. One member shall be the President of the Southern Medical Association Alliance. The other seventeen shall be the Councilors, elected by one of the following states or district: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia or the District of Columbia, as provided in these Bylaws. The Council may expand by appointing ad hoc Councilors for a specified period of time and for the benefit and convenience of the Association with voting privileges as determined by the Council. The President and the President-Elect shall serve as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, respectively. The Executive Director or Chief Executive Officer is an Ex-Officio

member of the Council.

- Annual Meeting of Council

 a.The Annual Business Meeting of
 the Council shall be held at such
 time and place as may be set by the
 President and Council.
 - b. The Council will determine the number and frequency of Council Meetings.
- 3. Quorum for Meetings of Council The quorum for any meeting of the Council shall be a majority of the voting members of Council.
- 4. Council Authority
 - a. The Council shall be the governing body of the Association. b. The Council shall govern the Association in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama and as stated in the Constitution, Bylaws, and Policy and Procedure Manual of the Association.
 - c. The Council may:
 - 1. Cause to be established Committees in accordance with these bylaws and shall designate the President to appoint the members of such Committees.
 - 2. Be charged with the responsibility to cause to be conducted annually an audit of the financial affairs of the Association.
 - 3. Establish policies and procedures for the conduct of the affairs of the Association.
 - 4. Appoint an Executive Vice-President or Chief Executive Officer. .
 - 5. Establish the fiscal year of the Association.
 - Any Councilor shall be subject to removal 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 their State or District and seek to encourage membership in and participation in the activities of the Association. Each Councilor will perform their duties as described in the Policies & Procedures manual.

- c. Each Councilor shall attend the meetings of the Council, including conference call meetings. Councilors shall be expected to attend all meetings of the Council unless there are extenuating circumstances approved by the President.
- d. Each Councilor shall perform such other duties as may be designated by their position and stipulated by the Council.
- e. Councilors shall be responsible for developing leadership qualities in their state's leadership group to provide a continuum in councilor succession.

ARTICLE IV. ASSOCIATE COUNCILOR

SECTION 1. Associate Councilors 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

A. Duties

1. As assigned by the Council in the Policy & Procedures manual.

B. Term of Office

The term of office of the Associate Councilors shall be by annual appointments 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, PresidentElect, and President-Elect Designate of
the Association, the Executive Director
is an Ex-Officio member.

SECTION 2. Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Executive Committee

The President and President-Elect shall serve as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of 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.

ARTICLE VI. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

the Association.

SECTION 1. Executive Director A. There shall be an Executive Director who shall be responsible for implementing the policies and direction of the Council; execute and administer Association programs; and manages the day-to-day operation of

B. The Executive Director shall employ and direct all staff personnel, full and part-time, including the assignment of duties of such employees. In this capacity, they 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.

C. The Executive Director may act as the Managing Editor of the Southern Medical Journal and other publications of the Association.

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES SECTION 1. Coordinating Committees

A. There shall be Coordinating Committees established by the Council.

- 1. Coordinating Committee on Budget and Administration: The Coordinating Committee on Budget and Administration in consultation with the President, Executive Committee, Council and the Executive Director and approval of the Council may establish Advisory and Ad Hoc Committees as necessary to perform any administrative, managerial, and financial oversight required of a Non Profit corporation and any additional functions needed by the Southern Medical Association that is assigned to this committee by the Council.
- 2. Other Coordinating Committee(s) as created by the Council: The number, scope and focus of any Coordinating Committees may be established or changed by the Council to reflect changes in the scope, focus, and priorities of the Southern Medical Association and to allow the orderly conduct of Association business and activities.
- B. Chairman
 The Chairman of each Coordinating
 Committee shall be appointed by the

President.

C. Composition of Coordinating Committees Each of the Coordinating Committees shall have members appointed annually by the President. For the purposes of Committee assignments the definition of "members" includes Southern Medical Association Alliance (SMAA) members. Term limits of Committee members, including the Chairman will be set by the Council. The President shall be an ex officio member of all Committees.

Section 2. Advisory Committees A.There may be Advisory Committees established by the Council or by Coordinating Committees

- B. Chairman of Advisory Committees
 - The Chairman shall be either appointed by the President or by a method voted on by the Council and set out in the Policy and Procedures Manual.
 - 2. Term limits of Committee members, including the Chairman will be set by the Council.
- C. Composition of Advisory Committees
 - 1. Each Advisory Committee member will be members of the Association or a member of the SMAA.
 - 2. Each Advisory Committee member shall be appointed annually with the advise and consent of the President.
 - 3. The President shall be an ex officio member of each Advisory Committee.
 - 4. Term limits of Committee members, including the Chairman will be set by the Council.

Section 3. Presidential Committees

A. There may be Presidential Committees appointed by the President with approval of the

Council.

B.The term of the members of these committees shall be limited to the term of the President that appoints the committee members.

Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees A. Ad Hoc Committees may be appointed by the President, Council, or Coordinating Committee Chairs in consultation with the President, Executive Committee, and the Executive Director or Chief Executive Officer and with approval of the Council when deemed necessary to conduct Committee and Association activities.

B. Term limits of Committee members, including the Chairman, will be set by the Council.

Section 5. Duties and Responsibilities of Coordinating Committees

A. Coordinating Committee on Budget/Administration

1. The Committee on Budget and Administration should:

a. Establish financial goals for the Association and provide oversight, direction, and, if needed, limitations on the other Coordinating Committees. Financial consideration and impact on the Association should be presented to the Budget and Administration Committee for approval before being acted on by other Coordinating Committees. The Council will have final determination on actions of the Budget and Administration Committee.

b. Through the formation of Advisory or Ad Hoc Committees, if needed, the Budget and Administration Committee should provide the administrative tasks and duties required of Alabama Non Profit Corporation in the State of Alabama and those required of any and all regulatory, statutory, and judicial bodies with jurisdiction over the Southern Medical Association. The Council at its sole discretion can direct the Coordinating Committee to perform other duties as needed.

2. Term limits and composition of Coordinating Committee on Budget and Administration including the members and the Chairman will be determined by the Council.

B. Other Coordinating Committees

1. Coordinating Committees will be established by the Council as needed to support the strategic plan and focus of the Southern Medical Association and may change from time to time as the Association's mission and vision evolves. The Council shall establish the number, name, focus, scope, and authority of such committees. These committees will be established, limited, and abolished by the Council as needed to further the Association activities.

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 a Business meeting and may include Scientific, Educational, and such other endeavors as may be designated for consideration.

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 or to an individual and/or group performing distinguished service to the field of medicine.

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 in those fields. Criteria for the Seale Harris award may be modified or changed by the Council.

SECTION 3. Original Research Award

There may 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.

SECTION 4. Other Awards The Council may establish other awards as approved by the Council.

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. The President of the

Southern Medical Association Alliance shall be a member the Council of the Southern Medical 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

ARTICLE XII. INDEMNIFICATION. In amplification and not in limitation of the provisions of applicable law:
(a) The Association shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to

any threatened, pending or completed claim, action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, including appeals (other than an action by or in the right of the Association), by reason of the fact that such person is or was a Councilor, Trustee, Director, Officer, Partner, Employee or Agent of the Association, or is or was serving at the request of the Association as a Councilor, Trustee, Director, Officer, Partner, Employee or Agent of another association, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys= fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such claim, action, suit or proceeding if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding,

had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful. The termination of any claim, action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner that such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that such person=s conduct was unlawful. (b) Any indemnification under subsection (a) (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the Association as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the Councilor, Trustee, Director, Officer, Partner, Employee or Agent is proper in the circumstances because such person has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in subsection (a). Such determination shall be made (1) by the Council by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Councilors who were not parties to, or who have been wholly successful on the merits or otherwise with respect to, such claim, action, suit or proceeding, or (2) if such a quorum is not obtainable, or even if obtainable a quorum of disinterested Councilors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion. (c) Expenses (including attorneys fees) incurred in defending a civil or criminal claim, action, suit or proceeding shall be paid by the Association in advance of the final disposition of such claim, action, suit or proceeding as authorized in the manner provided in subsection (b) upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the Councilor, Trustee, Director, Officer, Partner, Employee or Agent to repay such amount if and to the extent that it shall ultimately

not entitled to be indemnified by the Association as authorized in this Article XII.

ARTICLE XIII. AMENDMENTS
These Bylaws may be amended at any
Annual Meeting of the Association
by a two-thirds affirmative vote of
the members present and voting
at a General Session of the Annual
Meeting after the Amendment has been
presented in writing to the Council at
least 30 days prior to the meeting and
copies of the changes are disseminated
to the membership attending the
meeting.

Amended: December 3, 2009

be determined that such person is



POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Classification
There shall be the following classes of members:

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

A. Active Members

- Active dues paying members have the following rights and privileges as an SMA member:
- a. The right to vote
- b. The right to hold office
- The right to receive publications of the Association unless restricted by the Bylaws
- 2 Active Retired Members (non dues paying)
 These members cannot hold office or vote, but do receive Association publications
- 3. Transitional Members pay half the regular membership dues These members have all the rights and privileges of dues paying members.
- 4. International Members

These members cannot hold office or vote, but do receive online publications

B. AssociateMembers—Interns/Residents, Fellows and Allied Health Professionals

Associate Members shall pay annual dues at a rate determined by Council and shall receive online publications of the Association. These members cannot hold office or vote.

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 (such as Southern Medical Journal Editorial Board members). 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/Ex Officio Members

The Association may designate Honorary Members or Ex Officio 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 or by virtue of their positions as active Deans of Medical Schools. Honorary Members and Ex Officio Members shall receive all online publications of the Association.. Honorary and Ex Officio members are not required to pay dues, and are not eligible to vote or hold office.

E. Emeritus Members

An Active Member in good standing who is more than 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 elected office.

F. Medical Practice Service Members

Non-physician staff employed by the medical practice services member is eligible to participate in the programs and services offered through the medical practice membership. Non-physician staff is eligible by virtue of the fact that the medical practice pays the dues established for this membership category by the Council.

G. Corporate Members

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

H. 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. The applicant is required to submit all information before the applications is deemed complete. The Association may not accept any incomplete application.

Section 3. Termination of Membership

License revocation or suspension by a state board of medical examiners or comparable licensing agency is grounds for automatic forfeiture of membership.

The Council at any regular or called meeting may suspend or expel any member of the Association by a majority vote of the Council.

Section 4. Reinstatement

A former member whose 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

- 1. Payable in advance annually on the member's anniversary date.
- 2 Membership shall begin on the date of application, provided the application for membership is approved by the Southern Medical Association
- 3. The Council shall also be authorized to establish Life Membership fees.

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 for any benefits of membership. On payment of full dues within one (1) year of lapsed date, the member will be reinstated with full privileges. If greater than one year has lapsed, the Association, at its sole discretion, can require the member to complete an application.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

Section 1. Elected Officers

Elected officers of this Association are considered to be the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate Past-President, the President-Elect Designate, and Councilors.

Section 2. Appointed Officers

The appointed officers of the Association shall consist of an Executive Director determined by the Council.

Section 3. Qualifications

- A. 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.
- B. To be eligible for the office of Councilor, such person shall be a member in good standing of the Association and an Associate Councilor, or have served in a leadership role or have been an active member in the Association. To be eligible for election as a Councilor, the active member must reside or practice in the one of the following states or district: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.
- C. Councilor(s) may be appointed on an ad hoc basis by the Council for the benefit and convenience of the Association with voting rights determined by the Council.

Section 4. Term of Office

- A. The term of the elected officers shall be five (5) years for Councilor and for other officers as determined by the Council commencing at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting at which time 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 Designate

- Eligible Councilors will be notified regarding the election process six weeks prior to the Annual Meeting.
- 2. Eligible Councilors will announce their intention to run and will be provided the opportunity to address the Council during the meeting held at the Annual Meeting, not to exceed a five-minute presentation.
- 3. Candidates for this office are required to submit standardized information relating to their accomplishments and involvement in the Association along with a letter stating their motivation to become President of the Association to the Association's office in writing within 21 days or the last business day of the month in which the Annual Meeting is held, whichever is longer.
- 4. This information will be sent to the Council, along with the ballot, within five (5) working days from receipt of materials.
- 5. The ballot (paper or electronic) must be returned to an independent auditor identified by the Association within two (2) weeks of delivery and the date will be specified on the ballot.
- 6. The ballots received 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 a representative of the Association.
- 7. 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.
- If no one receives a majority of points, 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 who will be presented to the Council.
- 10. If needed, a final ballot (paper or electronic) will be sent to the

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Council with the names of the two candidates the following business day. This ballot must be returned within five (5) business days to the independent auditor and the date will be specified on the ballot.

17. The President will be responsible for breaking any tie.

12. 14. The ballots (electronic or paper) received 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 a representative of the Association.

Section 6. Election Process for Councilor

- The Councilor, in conjunction with staff, will identify eligible candidates for the office of Councilor.
- 2. These candidates will be submitted to the Presidential Committee on Selections. The Presidential Committee on Selections will choose two candidates to be placed upon a ballot to be distributed to all eligible voting members in the state. A brief written synopsis of each candidate's accomplishments, personal data and statement of why the individual would like to serve as Councilor will be sent to all the eligible voting members in the state.
- The election will be managed through the Association headquarters, which will maintain election results and supporting ballots for a period of six (6) months.
 - a. The ballots must be received at the SMA office within 30 days from the date of the ballot being mailed to members in order to be counted.
 - b. Ballots must be returned by the time designated, signed, and have a candidate clearly marked to be counted.
- 4. The ballots will be counted within five (5) working days from the deadline for receipt. The winner will be the candidate who receives the simple majority of ballots cast and received.
- The President shall cast a vote only in the unlikely event of a tie vote between the candidates.
- The election winners will be presented to the SMA Council for ratification.
- 7. The election winners will be announced after the ratification by the SMA Council at least 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

A vacancy in the office of a Councilor may be filled by the President on an interim basis by appointment until such time as an appropriate election can be held. The Interim Councilor shall meet the requirements of Article III Section 3B of the Bylaws. The term of the Interim Councilor so appointed shall expire with the term of the President who appointed the Interim Councilor or the election of a new Councilor for the state or district, whichever occurs first. This does not preclude a succeeding President from appointing a qualified Interim Councilor to continue until such time when an appropriate election can be held.

Section 8. Duties of Officers

A. President

- 1. The President shall carry out the will of the Council.
- The President shall preside over all general sessions of an Annual Meeting and all functions at which the Association is host.
- The President may deliver an annual address at the general session to be held at a time and place decided upon by the Council.
- 4. The President shall be the Chairman of the Council and of the Executive Committee of the Council, but shall not be eligible to vote except to cast a vote in the event of a tie. The President shall preside over all meetings of the Council and of the Executive Committee.
- The President shall provide advice and counsel in the formulation of all programs and services of the Association.
- The President shall appoint, on nomination by the respective Councilor, up to five (5) Associate Councilors from each state or district.
- 7. 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 the Bylaws.
- 8. The President or any two members of the Executive Committee may convene a meeting of the Executive Committee.
- The President shall appoint members of committees and chairs of committees in accordance with the Bylaws, except as otherwise provided.
- The President shall preside over the planning of the Annual Meeting of the membership.
- The President shall serve as an Ex Officio member of all committees of the Association.

The President shall fulfill such other duties as may pertain to the office of President as assigned by the Council.

B. President-Elect

- The President-Elect shall assist the President and assume Presidential duties in the absence of the President.
- The President-Elect shall serve as Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Executive Committee.
- The President-Elect shall have such other duties and responsibilities as may be required of the office.

C. President-Elect Designate

The President-Elect Designate shall remain as Councilor until taking office as President-Elect and will serve as a member of the Executive Committee.

D. Executive Director

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

E. Councilors

1. Composition of Council

The Council shall consist of twenty-one (21) members, three of whom shall be the officers of the Southern Medical Association: the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past-President. One member shall be the President of the Southern Medical Association Alliance. The other seventeen (17) shall be the Councilors, elected by one of the following states or district: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia or the District of Columbia, as provided in the Bylaws. The Council may expand by appointing ad hoc Councilors for a specified period of time and for the benefit and convenience of the Association with voting privileges as determined by the Council.

The President and the President-Elect shall serve as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, respectively. The Chief Executive Officer is an Ex Officio member of the Council.

2. Annual Meeting of Council

- A. The Annual Business Meeting of the Council shall be held at such time and place as may be set by the President and Council.
- B. The Council will determine the number and frequency of Council Meetings.

3. Quorum for Meetings of Council

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

4. Council Authority

- A. The Council shall be the governing body of the Association.
- B. The Council shall govern the Association in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama and as stated in the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy & Procedures Manual of the Association.
- C. The Council may:
 - Cause to be established Committees in accordance with the Bylaws and shall designate the President to appoint the members of such committees.
 - Be charged with the responsibility to cause to be conducted annually an audit of the financial affairs of the Association.
 - Establish policies and procedures for the conduct of the affairs of the Association.
 - 4. Appoint a Chief Executive Officer.
 - 5. Establish the fiscal year of the Association.
- 6. Any Councilor shall be subject to removal by the President upon the concurrence in that action of two-thirds of the members of the Council.

5. Duties of Councilors

- A. Each Councilor shall responsibly provide a primary and secondary means for all communications, and shall respond in a timely manner.
- B. Each Councilor shall develop an active relationship with the Deans of their respective Medical Schools.
- C. If a Councilor will be unable to attend Council meetings or perform Association business for a period greater than two (2) months, the Councilor must notify the President and the Council of his/her inability to perform and the Council may instruct the President to appoint an Interim Councilor. If the Councilor is unable to or does not attend to Council business or attend Council meetings for two (2) months without the required notification, the Councilor will forfeit his/her Councilorship and a replacement may be selected as provided for in the Bylaws. All Councilors are subject to removal by two-thirds vote of the Council.
- D. Each Councilor shall develop, monitor and adjust a State Action Plan detailing the promotional and communication activities conducted by the Councilor and Associate Councilor.
- E. Councilors shall monitor the development and implementation of their respective state action plans, as well as progress by the Associate Councilors.
- F. Each Councilor will prepare and submit a quarterly report to the President.
- G. Each Councilor shall prepare and present an in-depth report on his/her activities at the Summer Meeting of the Council.
- H. Each Councilor shall nominate Associate Councilors as outlined in the SMA Bylaws and submit his/her nominations in a timely fashion

to the President for review and appointment. Each Councilor shall also maintain regular communication with each Associate Councilor to direct and monitor his/her efforts and progress.

- 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.
- J. The Association's reimbursement policies are scrutinized by the IRS. Each Councilor is urged to closely review these policies as they pertain to programs for which he/she will be reimbursed.

6. Notice of Meeting of Council

- A. At least ten (10) 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.
- B. 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

Each Councilor who represents a state or the District of Columbia shall nominate for appointment by the President, up to five (5) 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.

- A. Duties
 - 1. As assigned by the Council
- B. Term of Office

The term of office of the Associate Councilor shall be by annual appointment 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

The Executive Committee of the Council shall consist of the Immediate Past President, President, President-Elect, and President-Elect Designate of the Association. The Executive Director is an Ex-Officio member. The Executive

Committee of the Council acts for the Council between meetings of the Council and presents its actions to the Council.

ARTICLE VI. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

Section 1. Executive Director

- A. There shall be a Executive Director who shall be responsible for implementing the policies and direction of the Council; executing and administering Association programs; and managing the day-to-day operation of the Association.
- B. The Executive Director shall employ and direct all staff personnel, full and part-time, including the assignment of duties of such employees. In this capacity, the Executive Director 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.
- C. The Executive Director may act as the Managing Editor of the Southern Medical Journal and other publications of the Association.

Section 2. Editor

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

ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES

Section 1. Coordinating Committees

There shall be Coordinating Committees established by the Council.

A. Chairman

The Chairman of each Coordinating Committee shall be appointed by the President.

B. Composition of Coordinating Committees Each of the Coordinating Committees shall have members appointed annually by the President. For the purposes of Committee assignments, the definition of "members" includes Southern Medical Association Alliance (SMAA) members

Term limits of Committee members, including the Chairman will be set by the Council. The President shall be an Ex Officio member of all Committees.

Active Coordinating Committees

For the Committee year 2013-2014, the active Coordinating Committees are:

Advocacy

This committee focuses on issues facing physicians and how they can become "the voice" for themselves and their patients.

Leadership and Professional Identity

This committee will be responsible for addressing issues as they relate to enhancing, building and maintaining the physician identity as leader of the healthcare team.

Quality

This committee will be responsible for addressing quality issues as they relate to medicine, physicians and patients.

Membership

This committee will identify goals and direction for growing and retaining membership.

CME

This committee will be responsible for the review of all new and current CME programs and ideas.

These coordinating committees will also serve as the "review" group for any new product, service or program being considered by SMA for implementation. Their input will be crucial in determining if the item being considered would be of interest to member physicians.

Each coordinating committee will have an internal support team liaison. This support person will work with the Chairs to set up conference calls, prepare minutes, notify membership of meetings, prepare grassroots suggestions for review by committee and other support as needed.

> C. Coordinating Committee on Budget & Administration: The Coordinating Committee on Budget & Administration in consultation with the President, Executive Committee, Council and the Executive Director and approval of the Council may establish Advisory and ad hoc Committees as necessary to

perform any administrative, managerial, and financial oversight required of a non-profit corporation and any additional functions needed by the Southern Medical Association that is assigned to this committee by the Council

Coordinating committee efforts will be provided to the members via the website. emails and mailings as appropriate. It is important to keep the members involved and show them their ideas/suggestions are being acted upon.

Section 3. Presidential Committees

- A. There may be Presidential Committees appointed by the President with approval of the Council.
 - 1. Presidential Committee on Selections
 - 2. Presidential Committee on Special Awards
 - 3 Presidential Committee on Endowments
- The term of the members of these committees shall be limited to the term of the President who appoints the committee members.

Section 4. Ad Hoc Committees

- A. Ad Hoc Committees may be appointed by the President, Council, or Coordinating Committee Chairs in consultation with the President, Executive Committee, and Executive Director and with approval of the Council when deemed necessary to conduct Committee and Association activities.
- B. Term limits of Committee members, including the Chairman, will be set by the Council.

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

A. 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. 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.

- B. Presidential Committee on Special Awards
 - If suitable candidates are selected by the Committee, it shall submit the names of not more than three (3) such members to the Council for each award.
 - The Council may elect one recipient for each respective award and presentation of the awards will take place at the discretion of the President during the Annual Meeting.
- C. Presidential Committee on Endowments
 - Recommend and approve programs, policies and marketing efforts required to generate contributions to the Research and Education Foundation, and rec
 Fo SMA | Southern Medical Association 13 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.

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 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 (20) members shall constitute a quorum to conduct business.

Section 2. Composition of Annual Meeting

- A. 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.
- B. The President of the Association shall preside at all general sessions of the Annual Meeting, or in his/her absence the President-Elect.
- C. Such business shall be conducted at the General Session as shall be designated by the Presiding Officer.

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 or

to an individual and/or group performing distinguished service to the field of medicine.

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 in those fields. Criteria for the Seale Harris award may be modified or changed by the Council.

Section 3. Original Research Award There may 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.

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.

ARTICLEX

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. The President of the Southern Medical Association Alliance shall be a member the Council of the Southern Medical 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 the Bylaws or special Rules of Order which the Association may adopt.

ARTICLE XII. INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND AGENTS OF THE SOUTHERN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION – see $\rm Bylaws$

ARTICLE XIII. AMENDMENTS

Any changes to the Policies & Procedures can be recommended by the Budget & Administration Committee and presented to the Council for ratification/approval.



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Southern Medical Association

Mission Statement

The Southern Medical Association promotes the health of patients through advocacy, leadership, education, and service.

What We Value Advocacy Leadership Collegiality Innovation

What We Believe

- That physicians must be advocates for their patients and provide the leadership necessary to promote better health care in their communities;
- That education and scholarly interactions must be conducted in a collegial, supportive environment;
- That collaboration and innovation in health care delivery will best serve our patients as we work together to attain optimal health.

Our Vision

The Southern Medical Association will be the preferred association for physicians and health professionals, and will be recognized for advocacy on key practice issues including leadership development for physicians, multispecialty and interdisciplinary education and training, and innovative health care delivery models and services that improve quality and access to care.

Commitment:

- We are committed 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 are committed to developing physician leaders.
- We are committed to providing an interdisciplinary forum to enhance the sharing of information, knowledge and experience to advance the practice of medicine.
- 4. We are committed to the value of all generations of physicians having the opportunity to interact and learn from each other.
- We are committed to working 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 are committed to supporting the belief that physicians should be in control of decisions regarding practice management and patient care.

- 7. We are committed to unity of purpose and the contribution of each individual as fundamental to the achievement of our success in meeting the needs of our members and maintaining financial stability.
- 8 We are committed to integrity and accountability in our relationships with members, leaders, vendors, clients, employees and the community at large.
- 9. We are committed to support employees in achieving 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	2012
Membership—Approximately 200 members from a six-state territory—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee	Approximately 10,000 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	\$295
Publications—None	Southern Medical Journal
Assets—Just some dedicated physicians	A growing roster of dedicated physicians, an Annual Conference unparalleled for their scientific sessions, its publications, and SMA Services, Inc., a wholly owned for profit subsidiary providing services to SMA and members, are but a few of the Association's assets today.

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 through advocacy, leadership, quality and professional identity, 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 10,000 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, inresponse 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 tittle." 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-one members; three officers the Alliance President 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 Director and his staff at the headquarters office in Birmingham, Alabama, and (2) the Editor, Associate Editors, and the Editorial Board of the Southern Medical Journal.

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, 2010, the annual dues were set at \$295, 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. Annual Conferences

General Information...

The Association's annual meeting is traditionally held 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 scientific sessions and abstract presentations. Specialty sections cooperate to present programs of special interest, special symposia on timely subjects, meetings of conjoint societies, scientific posters, and technical exhibits, all designed for one purpose—to enhance the practice of medicine.

EXHIBIT HALL...SCIENTIFIC POSTERS

In addition to the scientific sessions, 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 were discontinued effective as of the 1996 Assembly.

Preferred Vendors

Preferred Vendors offer the busy physician the opportunity to view the latest technology, medical equipment, and services on the market. These vendors are carefully screened and represent the highest standards in quality, originality, and value.

The Social Side...

SMA Annual Conferences, 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, President's Reception, activities for the spouses planned by the Southern Medical Association Alliance, 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/CE Activities

The Southern Medical Association has been serving physicians' needs since its inception as a physician member association in 1906. SMA is committed to enhancing life-long learning for physicians. The SMA Continuing Medical Education (CME) unit is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. At its most recent re-accreditation review, the ACCME awarded SMA the rating of "accreditation with commendation" − the highest rating available to accredited providers. As an accredited provider, SMA's accredited activities allow physicians to participate and obtain AMA Physicians' Recognition Award (PRA) Category 1 Credits™, a requirement of most state's licensure procedures. In 2006, SMA was approved as a provider of continuing education in nursing by the Alabama State Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This additional accredited as expanded the reach of SMA's programming.

CME activities are developed based on needs assessment and are evaluated to determine quality, educational value, and performance improvement with the goal of improved patient health outcomes. Activities are varied in design, format, and distribution methods to meet the interests and needs of physicians and other healthcare professionals. Current formats include the *Southern Medical Journal* (monthly CME articles), live conferences (i.e. annual scientific assemblies, regional conferences, and resident education), distance learning (resident education and physician business administration certificate course) and Internet education (MedEdOn-Demandlibrary). MedEdOn-Demand offers a large collection of lectures captured from live conferences and repackaged with slides and audio for Internet education. Internet content includes clinical and practice management topics approved for physician and nursing credits.

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 Iournal 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 Iournal 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.

Southern Medical Iournal articles span the spectrum of medical topics, providing timely, up-to-theminute information for primary care physicians and specialists alike. Contributors include leaders in the health care field from across the country and around the world. Subscribers are found around the world - throughout North America, in Australia, and in numerous European. South American, Asian, and African nations - because doctors everywhere need practical medical information. The SMJ enables physicians to provide the best possible care to patients in this age of rapidly changing modern medicine.

Ronald C. Hamdy, MD, Professor of Internal Medicine and holder of the Cecile Cox Quillen Chair of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology and is Director of the Osteoporosis Center at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tennessee, served as Editor-in-Chief from 2000-2010. Dr. Hamdy was also a past president of the Southern Medical Association.

On January 1, 2011, G. Richard Holt. M.D., M.S.E., M.P.H., M.A.B.E., was appointed as new Editor-in-Chief of the Southern Medical Journal. Dr. Holt brings a wealth of journal knowledge and experience to the SMI. He is a past Editor-in-Chief of Journal, Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, and Past Editorin-Chief of the journal Aviation. Space, and Environmental Medicine (official journal of the Aerospace Medical Association). Dr. Holt also is a past Co-Editor of The Yearbook of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and is also currently or has been on the Editorial Boards of the Journal of Long-Term Medical Effects of Implants, the Journal of CranioMaxillofacial Surgery. and Texas Medicine.

An SMA member since 1978, Dr. Holt has been actively involved within the Association, having served first as Secretary, then Chair, of the Section of Otolaryngology. Dr. Holt has lectured at SMA Annual Meetings and developed a Presidential Symposium on Space Medicne, as well as having helped develop the Association's Young Physician Leadership Course.

An editorial production staff, consisting of a Managing Editor and Editorial Coordinator, in Birmingham, Alabama, assists the editor. Publishing is handled by Lippincott Williams, & Wilkins with business offices in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Each monthly issue of the *SMJ* includes original and review articles, CME articles, special sections, and editorials. New technology has provided opportunities to distribute the Table of Contents (eTOC) via e-mail.

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.

Dr. Browder reported that at the April 29, 2000, Council meeting, it was voted to spend the estimated earnings from the Endowment Fund for the coming year. The estimated earnings were established at \$40,000 of which \$35,000 will be allocated for scholarship for the coming (2000-2001) school year and \$5,000 will be allocated to Grants. The Resident Training Loan program was placed on hold in June, 2000.

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) Λ 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 W. Lakeshore Drive, P. O. Box 190088, Birmingham, Alabama 35219-0088 or by going to the website www.sma.org. 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 \$1,000 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 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 W. 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 councilor in the state who will sign the cover letter and forward to the Dean of 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

- Namein Southern Medical Journal
- Annual Meeting Ribbon

Benefactor- \$250-\$999 Contribution

- Name in Southern Medical Iournal
- · Annual Meeting Ribbon

Patron- \$50 - \$249 Contribution

- Name in Southern Medical Journal
- 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
- · name on the "Hall of Fame"

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 April.

All nominations and applications are considered by the Committee on Special Awards. This confidential Committee, consisting of five members with the President-Elect as Chairman, is appointed by the President to evaluate the contributions of the various candidates for special awards. The presentation of awards takes place at the first 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 formeritorious 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, Nashville, M.D., 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 re-cognition of his outstanding contributions to our know-ledge 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 cardiovascular disease 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 the clinical physiology of the circulation and of his valuable contributions of the understanding 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 his original mass production method of desiccating human plasma and application 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 April 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 first 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. Bilheimer, 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,

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

2010–Orlando/Kissimmee Meeting Bogdan Czerniak, M.D., Ph.D. Houston, TX 2011-

Williamsburg Meeting Mark G. Martens, M.D., FACOG Neptune, NJ

2012–Nashville Meeting, Richard F. Lockey, MD, Tampa, FL

The Distinguished Service Award...

At the Houston Meeting in 1955 the Association created the Distinguished which may be Award. 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 April 1. The Committee on Special Awards evaluates all nominations and the recipient is notified and receives the Award at the first 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, NC

I 963–New Orleans Meeting– Fount Richardson M.D., Fayetteville, AR (posthumously)

1964– Memphis Meeting– Hollis E. Johnson, M.D., Nashville, TN 1965– Houston Meeting– Milford 0.

- Rouse, M.D., Dallas, TX
- 1967-Miami Beach Meeting- Robert D. Moreton, M.D., Houston, TX
- 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, TX
- 1971 Miami Beach Meeting Seymour E 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, AL
- 1977 Dallas Meeting Harris D. Riley, Jr., M.D., Oklahoma City, OK
- 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, AL
- 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, TX
- 1984–New Orleans Meeting– H. William Scott, Jr., M.D., Nashville, TN
- 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, Kv.
- 1990-Nashville Meeting- Lenox D. Baker, M.D., Durham, N.C.
- 1991 Atlanta Meeting G. Thomas Jansen, M.D., Little Rock, AR
- 1992 San Antonio Meeting Charles E. Horton, M.D., Norfolk, VA
- 1993 New Orleans Meeting Edward T. Krementz, 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, L.A
- 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
- 2006-Charlotte Meeting-John B. Lynch, M.D., Nashville, TN
- 2007- New Orleans, LA Meeting -

James C. Waites, M.D., Laurel, MS

2008 - Nashville Meeting - Hugh E. Stephenson, Jr., M.D., Columbia, MO

2009 - Dallas Meeting - Jean E. Holt, M.D., M.P.H, San Antonio, TX

2010 - Orlando/Kissimmee Meeting Louis A. Cancellaro, PhD., M.D. Johnson City. TN

2010 - Orlando/Kissimmee Meeting Distinguished Service Award to the Position of Medicine Stanley G. Shaffer, M.D. Kansas City, MO

2011 - Williamsburg Meeting David C. Jacks, M.D., FACS Pine Bluff, AR

2012 - Nashville Meeting, Mark D. Kilgus, MD, PhD, Roanoke, VA

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 April 1. After nominations are evaluated by the Committee on Awards, the recipient is notified and receives the award at the first 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., "for his Birmingham, Ala., 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 allover the world."

1967–Miami Beach Meeting– Julian M. Ruflin, 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, TX, "for his work in intravenous alimentation."
- 1974- Atlanta Meeting- H. Harlan Stone, M.D., Atlanta Ga.; Robert S. Nelson, M.D., Houston, TX
- 1975-Miami Beach Meeting-W. Dean Warren, M.D., Atlanta, GA
- 1976- New Orleans Meeting- John S. Fordtran, M.D., Dallas, TX
- 1980-San Antonio Meeting- Elliot Weser, M.D., San Antonio, TX
- 1981- New Orleans Meeting-Pittman. Constance M.D., Birmingham, AL
- 1982- Atlanta Meeting- Hiram C. Polk, M.D., Louisville, Ky.
- 1983-Baltimore Meeting- Addison B. Scoville, Jr., M.D., Nashville,
- 1984-New Orleans Meeting-Edward Copeland, III. M.D., Gainesville, Fla.
- 1986- Atlanta Meeting- James M. Moss, M.D., Alexandria, Va.
- 1987-San Antonio Meeting-Claude Bennett, 1. 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, Ir., M.D., Houston, TX
- 1996- Baltimore Meeting-David 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-S. H. Bell, David M.D., Birmingham, AL
- 2003- Atlanta Meeting Aaron I. Vinik, MD, PhD Norfolk, VA
- 2004- New Orleans Meeting James W. Anderson, MD Lexington, KY
- 2010-Orlando/Kissimmee Meeting James R. Sowers, M.D., F.A.C.E., E.A.C.P., E.A.H.A. St. Louis, MO
- 2012-Nashville Meeting, Vivian A. Fonseca, MD, New Orleans, LA

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. Scientific Exhibits were discontinued as of the 1996 Annual Assembly.

The Technical Exhibit Award...

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council held in Atlanta, Ga., March 31, 1973, the C. P. Loranz 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 Lab-

oratories

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-Averst Laboratories

1997 – Novartis Pharmaceuticals 1998 – Eli Lilly and Company

1999 – Pfizer Pharmaceuticals

Technical Exhibits awards were discontinued after 2000.

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 physician members of the Southern Medical Association can be members of the SMA Alliance-an organization founded in 1924 to promote and preserve the artandscience of medicine. A \$25.00 annual membership fee helps to support the projects of the Alliance and to offset fees associated with the publishing of our newsletter-Southern Connection.

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 Alliancemembers.

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. Loranz 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. Loranz 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. Loranz after his retirement, voted to retain Mr. Loranz 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 July 2010 Mr. Waldron was appointed as Chief Executive Officer.

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 Executive Vice-President in May, 2003.

In April 2012, William L. Hartsfield, FLMI, was appointed as the Executive Director and charged with re-energizing the Association.

THE HEADOUARTERS 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.

In January 2012, the building was sold, and SMA/SMAS became a tenant. All staff were located on the second floor. The new address for SMA/SMAS is 35 W. Lakeshore Drive, Suite 201.

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. Jervey, 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. Giesen, 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



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- · Prescriber's Letter Discount
- Audio Digest Foundation Discount
- * SMA Services Insurance Program
- * SMA Services Retirement Program
- AirMed Air Medical Ambulance Service (enrollment included in membership)



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- Education Center
- Prescriber's Letter Discount
- Audio Digest Foundation Discount
- SMA Services Insurance Program
- SMA Services Retirement Program
- AirMed Air Medical Ambulance Service (enrollment included in membership)

AND

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- · Southern Medical Journal Online Subscription
- Epocrates.com Discount
- Dell.com Discount
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- SMA Pulse e-Newsletter
- Education Center
- · Prescriber's Letter Discount
- Audio Digest Foundation Discount
- SMA Services Insurance Program
- SMA Services Retirement Program
- AirMed Air Medical Ambulance Service (enrollment included in membership)
- Live Conference Discounts
- * Southern Medical Journal Online and Print Subscription
- * Epocrates.com Discount
- . Dell.com Discount
 - AND
- Website Up to 2 hours of design and/or development time for your own personal or practicebased website. No hosting fee, use your own domain name.



SMA Alliance Membership (\$25.00) includes:

- Subscription to the Southern Connection a quarterly publication;
- · Becoming part of an energetic team of community leaders devoted to the Family of Medicine;
- Access to a number of multimedia tools to assist with community endeavors including websites and online communities - (additional fees may apply);
- · Access to SMA Tours:
- . Opportunity to serve as Leaders on Committees, or as state Councilors;
- And most importantly, you have access to other members who provide support, guidance and encouragement.

2014 Calendar of Educational Events

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\checkmark	March 16-18	Medico-Legal Aspects of Healthcare
		Madison Hotel
		Washington, DC
		In conjunction with Aburn University's PEMBA
		Program
1	June 5-16	Comparative Healthcare Systems:
· ·		Edinburgh, Scotland and London, England
		In conjunction with Auburn University's PEMBA
		Program
V	July 28-3 I	Focus on the Female Patient Conference
		Kiawah Island Golf Resort
		Kiawah Island, SC
V	October 29-November I	SMA Scientific Assembly
		Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort
		Destin, FL

Minutes from Meetings

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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
2003	Atlanta, GA, Michael G. Mackey, Jonesboro, AR
2004	New Orleans, LA, T. Rudolph Howell, Chester, VA
2005	San Antonio, TX, Charles A. Farmer, Tulsa, OK
2006	Charlotte, North Carolina, Braxter P. Irby, Jr, Brookhaven, MS
2007	New Orleans, LA, George S. Ellis, Jr., New Orleans, LA
2008	Nashville, TN, Paula Oliver Pell, St. Petersburg, FL
2009	Dallas, TX, Jan N. Basile, Charleston, SC
2010	Orlando/Kissimmee, FL, R. Bruce Shack, Nashville, TN
2011	Williamsburg, VA, Eric E. Lindstrom, Laurel, MS
2012	Nashville, TN, Michael C. Gosney, Muscle Shoals, AL
2013	Destin, FL, Gary A. Delaney, Orangeburg, SC

MINUTES

SMA Council Conference Call Wednesday, February 20, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. CT by SMA President, Gary A. Delaney, MD. Dr. Delaney thanked members of the Council for taking time to participate in the call.

Roll Call

Members of the Council present: Gary A. Delaney, MD, Orangeburg, SC; Stuart Goodman, MD, Potomac, Maryland; Michael C. Gosney, MD, Muscle Shoals, AL; Steven Strode, MD, Sherwood, AR; Marilou Tablang-Jimenez, MD, Clarksburg, MD; Ajoy Kumar, MD, St. Petersburg, FL; Donald Swikert, MD; Fayez Shamieh, MD, Lake Charles, LA; Ben Carmichael, MD, Hattiesburg, MS; James Conant, MD, St. Joseph, MO; Mason Jett, MD, Oklahoma City, OK; Shakaib Rehman, MD, Mt. Pleasant, SC; Wesley Eastridge, MD, Kingsport, TN; Joan K. Lingen, MD, Franktown, VA; David Avery, MD, Vienna, WVA; Kathy Johns, RN, Destin, FL; and William L. Hartsfield, Executive Director, Birmingham, AL.

Members of the Council absent: Mark Williams, MD, Birmingham, AL; Jeffrey Brant, MD, Cartersville, GA; Steven Muscoreil, MD, Lumberton, NC; and Robert Kruger, MD, San Antonio, TX.

SMA Staff present: Mr. Don Casey, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Randy Glick, Chief Information Officer; and Pamela McDonald, Director of Administration.

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Approval of Minutes November 15, 2012

Minutes from the Meeting of the SMA Council held in Nashville, Tennessee, November 15, 2012, were distributed prior to the conference call.

Dr. Mason Jett stated that his name had been omitted from the Minutes. Pamela McDonald apologized for the oversight, and advised that the Minutes would be corrected.

ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the revised Minutes be approved, with the addition of the name of Mason Jett, MD added to members of the Council present.

Comments from the Executive Director Mr. Luke Hartsfield

Mr. Hartsfield provided an update on the 2013 Annual Meeting. He advised members of the Council that the 2013 Annual Meeting will be held in Destin, Florida, Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort, October 31-November 2. Council members should plan on arriving on Wednesday, October 30, for the Council, Past Presidents', SMA Services, Inc. Board of Directors and 1906 Society reception and dinner. This year the event will be held aboard a yacht and will be a dinner cruise. The meeting of the Council will be held on Thursday, October 31, following a similar pattern as the 2012 meeting of the Council and SMAS Board.

Mr. Hartsfield also briefly discussed the Strategic Plan which was presented during the meeting in Nashville. Project Managers have been assigned, and charges let. Plans are being made for better communication with the membership through a monthly enewsletter beginning at the end of March. This newsletter will

contain information on SMA news, conferences, products, etc. and profiles of members.

Randy Glick informed members of the Council that a meeting with Lippincott, Williams & Wilkins (LWW) had been held earlier in the week, and verbal agreements regarding the SMJ platform and production had been initiated. Written proposals are expected within the next month.

Financial Report from the Chief Information Officer Don Casey

As of January 3 1, 2013, the Financial Statements reflect the following: the Consolidated Net Profit was \$101,000, compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(48,000). SMA had a Net Loss of \$(60,000) compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(179,000). Services operated with a Net Profit of \$161,000, which was \$30,000 above the Budgeted Net Profit of \$131,000. The Consolidated Net Profit last year, January 31, 2012, was \$1,200,000. The office building sold in January 2012 and the gain on the sale of the building was \$1,402,000. Last year net of the gain on the sale of the building was a Net Loss of \$(202,000). Cash position is good with \$231,000 available to pay \$148,000 in payables.

Status Report of Committee Chairs Coordinating Committee on Leadership and Professional Development

James Conant, MD, Chair

Dr. Conant reported that his committee met via conference call on Tuesday, January 15, 2013. Dr. Conant presented the committee with six (6) goals for consideration:

(1) Keep patients' health as the ultimate goal.

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- (2) Establish qualities which will define individuals in the physician society who are candidates for membership in SMA.
- (3) Enumerate these qualities.
- (4) List arenas in which physicians must establish leadership positions in order to help and protect their patients.
- (5) Anticipate where Professional Identity trends are going and identify forces driving these changes.
- (6) Establish whether SMA can or will affect forces.

The next committee conference call is scheduled for March 19th, 2013.

Coordinating Committee on Advocacy Steven Strode, MD, Chair

Dr. Strode stated that the Coordinating Committee on Advocacy held a conference call on January 8, 2013. Dr. Strode indicated that he had served on the Council for the past four (4) years, and there have been many conversations about the role of advocacy in SMA. There is agreement that SMA should be advocating for the membership; however, there is not a consensus on the exact nature of what that advocacy should be.

A web-based communication tool, a chat room, has been established to allow further communication with committee members between conference calls; however, to date, the only individuals who have utilized the chat room are Dr. Strode and SMA staff.

The next conference call for the Coordinating Committee on Advocacy has been scheduled for Thursday, February 21, 2013.

Coordinating Committee on Membership Shakaib Rehman, MD, Chair

The Coordinating Committee on Membership met via conference call on January 10, 2013. As Chair of the Committee, Dr. Rehman, asked members of the committee to review the Marketry Report that had been distributed and utilize it to generate ideas for increasing membership. It was agreed that garnering new members was more of a challenge, especially the pursuit of younger physicians, due to the fact that most were "non-joiners." Dr. Rehman requested the SMA staff to provide copies of all membership collateral for review by the committee members to determine if the best message was being relayed.

Dr. Rehman indicated that the committee would be divided into three (3) subcommittees: independent/solo physicians; employed physicians; and the Society of 1906. Dr. Carmichael was invited to chair the subcommittee on the Society of 1906.

New Business

A discussion ensued regarding the Society of 1906. Dr. Carmichael requested that SMA staff look into ways of promoting membership in the Society of 1906, especially at the annual meeting which will be held in Destin. He stated that he had recently written a letter inviting SMA members to become members of the Society of 1906.

Mr. Hartsfield stated that additional ways of recruiting new members for the Society of 1906, especially during the annual meeting, will be discussed with staff, and an action plan implemented.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, a motion was made, seconded and passed that the meeting be adjourned. The Council conference call adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

MINUTES

SMA Council Conference Call Monday, June 24, 2013

The SMA Council held a conference call on Monday, June 24, 2013, which was called to order at 6:04 p.m. CDT by the President, Gary A. Delaney, MD. Dr. Delaney welcomed and thanked those members of the Council for taking time to participate in the call. Members of the Council were encouraged to make plans to attend the Annual Scientific Assembly which will be held October 30 -November 2, 2013, Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort, Destin, Florida. The Council Dinner, which will be held October 30, will be held on the yacht Solaris this year and should be a fun evening for everyone.

Roll Call

Members of the Council present: Gary A. Delaney, MD, President, Orangeburg, SC; Stuart Goodman, MD, President-Elect, Potomac, MD; Mark Williams, MD, President-Elect Designate, Birmingham, AL; Michael C. Gosney, MD, Immediate Past President, Muscle Shoals, AL; Steven Strode, MD, Sherwood, AR; James Conant, MD, St. Joseph, MO; Mason Jett, MD, Oklahoma City, OK; Wesley Eastridge, MD, Kingsport, TN; Robert Kruger, MD, San Antonio, TX; and Mrs. Kathy Johns, SMA Alliance President, Destin, FL.

Members of the Council absent: Marilou Tablang-Jimenez, MD, Clarksburg, MD; Ajoy Kumar, MD, St. Petersburg, FL; Jeffrey Brant, MD, Cartersville, GA; Donald Swikert, MD, Edgewood, KY; Fayez Shamieh, MD, Lake Charles, LA; Ben Carmichael, MD, Hattiesburg, MS; Steve Muscoreil, MD, Lumberton, NC; Shakaib Rehman, MD, Mt. Pleasant, SC; Joan K. Lingen, MD, Franktown, VA; and David Avery, MD, Vienna, WVA.

SMA Staff present: Mr. Luke Hartsfield, Executive Director; Mr. Don Casey, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Randy Glick, Chief Information Officer; and Ms. Pamela McDonald, Director, Administration.

Approval of Minutes SMA Council Conference Call Wednesday, February 20, 2013

Minutes from the conference call held February 20, 2013, were distributed prior to this conference call.

*ACTION: Motion was made, seconded and passed that the Minutes from the SMA Council conference call held February 20, 2013, be approved as printed.

Report of the Executive Director Mr. Luke Hartsfield

Mr. Hartsfield stated he was pleased to report on the progress being made on the Strategic Plan which was presented to the Council last November. Randy Glick has coordinated all of the projects, and the managers and their teams have worked diligently on each project. Another aspect of the Strategic Plan was to hire a Financial/Retirement Plan consultant to bring new business in to the Financial Services Division. Although this affects SMA Services, this will result in additional members for SMA. I am pleased to announce that an individual has been hired. She relocated to Birmingham from the Boston area, and has excellent recommendations and credentials.

We have an excellent Professional Liability product which will be rolled out on July 1, 2013. In order to participate in the

program, you must be a member of SMA, and continuation in the program is dependent upon membership. The Carrier for the Professional Liability product is Medicus, and Southern Protective Services will be the primary Agency.

Financial Report May 31, 2013 Mr. Don Casey

As of May 31, 2013, the Financial Statements reflect the following: the Consolidated Net Profit was \$285,000, compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(6,000). SMA has a Net Loss of \$(1,000), compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(232,000). SMA Services was operating with a Net Profit of \$286,000, which is \$60,000 above the Budgeted Net Profit of \$226,000. The Consolidated Net Profit, last year, May 31, 2012, was \$1,169,000. The office building sold in January 2012 and the gain on the sale of the building was \$1,402,000, so the true Net Profit (Loss) was \$(233,000). *The financials reflect a \$518,000 turnaround from the same period last year.* We are also current on all payables.

Report of the Budget & Administration Committee Michael C. Gosney, MD, Co-Chair

Dr. Gosney reported that the Budget & Administration

Committee met on two occasions, April 22, 2013, and May 20, 2013, via conference call to review the 2013-2014 Budget. It is a positive Budget, which takes into consideration the Strategic Plan that was approved by the Council in November, and SMA is moving forward. The Budget & Administration Committee approved the 2013-2014 Budget on the conference call held May 20, 2013.

Review and Ratification of the 2013-2014 Budget Mr. Don Casey

Mr. Casey explained that members of the Council had received the 2013-2014 Budget in an e-mail prior to the conference call. As stated by Dr. Gosney, the 2013-2014 Budget was approved by the B & A Committee in a recent conference call. The SMA Services Board met via a conference call on June 17, 2013, and approved their Budget.

Southern Medical Association, for the Budget year 2013-2014, has a net loss of \$(262,000), compared to a budgeted net loss for the year ending June 30, 2013 of \$(225,000). SMA Services, Inc. for the Budgeted year 2013-2014 has a net profit of \$272,000, compared to the budgeted net profit for the year ending June 30, 2013 of \$279,000.

Consolidated net profit for the Budget year 2013-2014 is \$10,000 compared to a budgeted net profit for 2012-2013 of \$54,000.

The revenue philosophy this year was to budget only those programs with certainty or very low risk. The total revenue budgeted has a minimum degree of uncertainty and risk.

*ACTION: Motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the 2013-2014 Budget be ratified as presented.

Approval of SMA Services, Inc. Revised Bylaws

Dr. Delaney advised members of the Council that Dr. Dallas Lovelace, Chairman of SMAS, upon a suggestion from Dr. Gosney, appointed a committee to review the current SMA Services, Inc.

Bylaws and recommend changes/corrections. The Bylaws Review

Committee was chaired by Dr. Paula Pell. Dr. Delaney expressed thanks to Dr. Pell and her committee on the hard work they put in to reviewing and updating the Bylaws. A copy of the suggested Revised SMA Services, Inc. Bylaws was distributed prior to the conference call. The SMAS Board approved all the recommended changes in a conference call held June 17, 2013. The Bylaws Review Committee also conferred with SMA legal counsel on the recommended changes.

*ACTION: The motion was made and seconded that the Revised SMA Services, Inc. Bylaws be approved as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of Councilor-Elect

Dr. Delaney advised the Council that the term of Wesley
Eastridge, MD, Councilor for Tennessee, would end at the annual
meeting in November. A CV for Peter DeVersa, MD, proposed
Councilor-Elect for Tennessee, was previously sent to members of the
Council.

Dr. Eastridge mentioned that perhaps SMA members in Tennessee be contacted to determine if there was anyone else interested in serving as Councilor, so an election could be held.

The consensus was that a good candidate was available and willing to serve; therefore, Dr. DeVersa should be appointed to serve as Councilor for Tennessee.

*ACTION: Motion was made, seconded and carried that Peter DeVersa, MD, be appointed to serve as Councilor for Tennessee, November 2013 – November 2018.

The next item of business was the appointment of Marilou Tablang-Jimenez, MD, to serve the full five (5) year term as Councilor for DC/Maryland. Dr. Tablang-Jimenez was appointed to serve the unexpired term of Stuart Goodman, MD, who assumed the office of President-Elect in November 2012. Dr. Tablang-Jimenez is now eligible and willing to serve the full term as Councilor.

*ACTION: Motion was made, seconded and passed that Marilou Tablang-Jimenez, MD, be appointed to serve as Councilor for DC/Maryland, November 2013 – November 2018.

New Business

Dr. Strode, as Chair of the Coordinating Committee on Advocacy, working with his committee, recently prepared an excellent document on the Principals of Advocacy. It was suggested that SMA staff review the document and work with Dr. Strode and his committee in implementing as many of the principals as feasible within the current budget.

Adjournment

It was suggested that the next conference call of the Council be held sometime in August. Dr. Delaney will review his schedule and send proposed dates shortly.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting/conference call was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. CDT.

*As noted in the attendance portion of the Minutes, a quorum was not present during the conference call. All items presented in these Minutes were voted upon and passed unanimously by those Members of the Council present during the conference call. However, due to the fact that a quorum was not present, final/official approval could not occur without additional "yes" votes from members of the Council. Therefore, following the conference call, a document containing all business requiring action was sent to members of the Council who were not present on the call. Approval has been received from eight (8) members of the Council, which is more than sufficient for a quorum, making all action items officially approved.

MINUTES

SMA Council Meeting Thursday, October 31, 2013 Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort Destin, Florida

The SMA Council held a meeting on Thursday, October 31, 2013, Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort, Destin, Florida. The meeting was called to order at 10:13 a.m. CDT by the President, Gary A. Delaney, MD.

Roll Call

Members of the Council present: Gary A. Delaney, MD, President, Orangeburg, SC; Stuart Goodman, MD, President-Elect, Potomac, MD; Mark S. Williams, MD, President-Elect Designate, Birmingham, AL; Michael C. Gosney, MD, Immediate Past President, Muscle Shoals, AL; Steven Strode, MD, Sherwood, AR; Marilou Tablang-Jimenez, MD, Clarksburg, MD; Ajoy Kumar, MD, St. Petersburg, FL; Jeffrey Brant, MD, Cartersville, GA; Donald Swikert, MD, Edgewood, KY; Fayez Shamieh, MD, Lake Charles, LA; Benjamin Carmichael, MD, Hattiesburg, MS; James Conant, MD, St. Joseph, MO; Mason Jett, MD, Oklahoma City, OK;

Robert Kruger, MD, San Antonio, TX; Joan K. Lingen, MD, Franktown, VA; Clement Cotter, Jr., MD, Councilor-Elect, Birmingham, AL; Peter Roger DeVersa, MD, Councilor-Elect, Chattanooga, TN; and Donald DiPette, MD, Councilor-Elect, Blythewood, SC; and Kathy Johns, SMA Alliance President, Destin, FL.

Members of the Council absent: Steven Muscoreil, MD, Thomasville, NC; Wesley V. Eastridge, MD, Kingsport, TN; and David Avery, MD, Vienna, WVA.

Others present: G. Richard Holt, MD, Editor, *Southern Medical Journal*, San Antonio, TX; and Susan Rish, SMA Alliance President-Elect, Tupelo, MS.

SMA Staff present: Mr. William L. Hartsfield, Executive Director; Mr. Don Casey, Chief Financial Officer; Mr. Randy Glick, Chief Information Officer; Ms. Pamela McDonald, Director of Administration; and Mrs. Jennifer Price, Managing Editor, *Southern Medical Journal*.

Approval of Minutes SMA Council Conference Call September 16, 2013

The minutes from the SMA Council conference call held September 16, 2013, were distributed prior to the meeting.

ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the minutes from the SMA Council conference call held September 16, 2013, be approved as printed.

President's Message, Gary A. Delaney

Dr. Delaney expressed his appreciation to members of the Council for their support during his term as President, 2012-2013.

The organization is doing well, and the staff is wonderful. Dr. Delaney asked members of the Council to observe a moment of silence for those who had passed away during the year:

Jim Barnett, MD; SMA President, 1990-1991; Louis Cancellaro, MD, SMA President, 1994-1994, and former Chairman, SMA Services, Inc.; and Mrs. Lisa O'Daniel, former SMA employee.

Report of Chairman, SMA Services, Inc. Dallas W. Lovelace, III, MD

Dr. Lovelace reported that since most members of the Council were present during the SMA Services, Inc. meeting, held prior to the Council meeting, there was no need for an additional report.

However, the 2013-2014 Slate for SMA Services, Inc. Directors needed to be approved. The 2013-2014 Slate of SMAS Directors presented for approval by SMA Council are: Dallas W. Lovelace, III, MD, Chairman; Mrs. Nancy Brant; Frederick Carlton, Jr., MD; R. Bruce Shack, MD; Braxter P. Irby, Jr., MD; Robert L. Oldham, MD, Paula Oliver Pell, MD; Mr. James D. Schulz; and Mr. Alan Watson.

ACTION: Motion was made and seconded that the above 2013-2014 Slate of Directors for SMA Services, Inc. be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Message from the Executive Director Luke Hartsfield

As an organization, SMA experienced a very productive and successful year. During last year's Council Meeting, we outlined a new direction and embarked on that journey with confidence and renewed enthusiasm.

A Strategic Plan was carefully developed and presented. We had a specific focus and specific goals. The Strategic Plan was carefully coordinated with our budget, better utilizing our human and financial resources.

The annual meeting was redesigned based on attendee and leadership feedback. It was determined that a combination of last year's format, along with some components of previous annual meetings, was desired. The abstract presentations were brought back, with a great response. Because of the response, it was decided that those individuals who were not accepted for oral presentation could present their work through a poster presentation.

We are anticipating that the 2013 Annual Scientific Assembly will be financially successful. We had originally budgeted a loss of \$29,000; however, there is a possibility that we will either break even or have a small profit.

Randy will present a report which will discuss some of the other exciting projects completed and underway, including SMJ; online education through InReach and collaborative efforts with others and SMA Pulse.

As mentioned during the SMA Services, Inc. Meeting, the Group Health Insurance Program is cause for serious concern. However, we are working diligently to find ways to minimize the impact to the organization if CIGNA chooses not to renew the contract for 2014-2015. Members of the Council and Services Board will be kept apprised of progress with this program.

Mr. Hartsfield ended his remarks by thanking the members of Council for allowing him to serve the Association as Executive Director.

Report of the Audit Committee Stuart Goodman, MD

Dr. Goodman stated that he had reviewed the Audit Report.

An unqualified, clean report was issued by Sellers, Richardson, et al.

SMA Financial Analysis Don Casev

As of September 30, 2013, Financial Statements reflect the following: the Consolidated Net Profit was \$53,000, compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(14,000). SMA had a Net Profit of \$2,000, compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(38,000). SMA Services is operating with a Net Profit of \$51,000 which is \$27,000 ahead of the Budgeted Net Profit of \$24,000.

Cash remains strong with \$267,000 available and \$85,000 in outstanding payables.

Report of the Editor, Southern Medical Journal G. Richard Holt, MD

Prior to the meeting, Dr. Holt submitted a written report. Dr. Holt briefly recapped some of the items in the report.

The January, 2013 special issue on "Disaster Medicine and Physician Preparedness" was offered as a "free" issue to all readers to download, due to its importance in preparing physicians for responding to local and regional disasters. The issue was enthusiastically received nationally.

Commitments have been received from two physicians who were first responders at the Boston Marathon bombing to provide their perspectives for the Journal. Their perspectives will be linked again to the special issue on "Disaster Medicine."

A special series on "Women's Health," originating from the University of Mississippi Medical Center was started in the August, 2013 issue of SMJ, and we will continue to publish articles in that series through the end of the year.

A three-part series on "Rhinitis, Acute Sinusitis, and Chronic Sinusitis" was begun in the September issue. Since upper airway complaints are voiced to primary care physicians at the estimated rate of 30%, helping our readers to understand and differentiate the disorders was felt to be compelling.

Paid CME credit from SMA for selected articles in these series and other selections this year have been, in some cases, paired with personal interviews with the authors for on demand CME viewing. We believe this will be a very successful model, both educationally and financially.

Other items, as presented in the report, were reviewed.

Report of the Managing Editor, SMJ Jennifer Price

The report of the Managing Editor of the *Southern Medical Journal* was included with the material distributed to Council members prior to the meeting. Mrs. Price provided an update on the administrative activities of the Journal throughout the year.

Status of Strategic Plan/Projects Randy Glick

Mr. Glick provided a lengthy, comprehensive report on the status of the Strategic Plan, which was developed and presented to the Council at its 2012 meeting in Nashville, Tennessee. In the report,

Mr. Glick gave an update on the first quarter of the fiscal year for the projects that were initiated and their progress as related to the Strategic Plan and the Budget.

Address of the SMA Alliance President Kathy Johns, RN

Mrs. Johns reported that shortly after her installation in Nashville, the SMA Alliance held a "think tank" in January 2013 in New Orleans to garner ideas and discuss long-range planning. Out of the two day meeting, 22 members left with enough information to work on throughout the year. The Alliance now has a new three (3) year Strategic Plan, Bylaws revisions, and a renewed commitment to work jointly with SMA in further advancing membership development and pursuing avenues to fulfill their mission statement.

Mrs. Johns stated that she represented the Alliance at nine (9) meetings during the year – beginning with the AMAA Southern Regional Meeting in January, followed by St. Louis, Missouri, Mobile, Alabama, Hilton Head, South Carolina, and San Antonio, Texas. The meeting for Mississippi was split into two separate meetings ~ one for the Young Physicians in Destin, Florida, and the business portion held in Jackson, Mississippi. Also attended was the AMAA Meeting in Chicago, the Florida Medical Association Meeting in Orlando, and the Kentucky Medical Association Meeting in Louisville in September, where she installed the new Alliance President.

Concluding her report, Mrs. Johns expressed appreciation to the SMA staff, especially Kendra Blackmon, who helped make the year a success.

Introduction of New and Outgoing Councilors Gary A. Delaney, MD

Dr. Delaney announced the Councilors who were outgoing and presented them with a Certificate of Appreciation and gift from SMA. Those Councilors were: Mark S. Williams, MD, Alabama – President-Elect, SMA, 2013-2014; Shakaib Rehman, MD, South Carolina – Dr. Rehman moved out of SMA territory; and Wesley V. Eastridge, MD, Tennessee.

Incoming Councilors, Clement P. Cotter, Jr., MD, Alabama, Peter Roger DeVersa, MD, Tennessee, and Donald DiPette, MD, South Carolina, were presented with the SMA Councilor Pin and welcomed to SMA leadership.

Kathy Johns, RN, SMA Alliance President, was also presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and gift.

Vision for the Presidency Stuart Goodman, MD

As incoming President of Southern Medical Association, Dr. Stuart Goodman thanked Dr. Delaney for his year as President and contributions to the Association. He also thanked Drs. Donald and Nancy Swikert for their gracious hospitality during the Kentucky Medical Association he and Myrna attended. Dr. Goodman stated that advocacy was a leading goal to get new members. He indicated that he wanted to develop programs/products that physicians and patients want, as well as focusing on education.

Announcement of Candidates for SMA President-Elect Designate

Benjamin Carmichael, MD, Hattiesburg, MS, announced that he would be running for the office of President-Elect Designate of the Southern Medical Association. Dr. Carmichael stated that he recently retired as a cardiologist and had enjoyed the business side of medicine, as well as clinical practice. SMA has been a positive influence in his life and in his 23 years as a member, he only missed one annual meeting.

Dr. Carmichael reported that he saw declining membership as a serious problem and he would work vigorously on membership for both SMA and the Society of 1906.

There were no additional candidates for the office of SMA President-Elect Designate, 2013-2014.

Old Business and New Business 2013 Committee Updates and 2014 Committee Chair Visions

Since there was only one new Committee Chair, Dr. Delaney requested that each Committee Chair give an update of the committee work in 2013 and provide a vision for what the committee members wanted to accomplish in 2013-2014.

Coordinating Committee on Advocacy Steven Strode, MD

Dr. Strode distributed three items to members of the Council that the Advocacy Committee had discussed and/or initiated. The first item was the "12 Principle Goals" from the presentation at the 2012 SMA Healthcare Summit, by J. Edward Hill, MD. This was distributed simply for informational purposes. The second item distributed was a vote on advocacy projects that were thought to be important. The third item distributed was "Southern Medical

Association Advocacy Principles," which was a document prepared by the Advocacy Committee. The document contained related items for review and possibly voted upon by members of the Council. A copy of the document is attached.

It was suggested that the document be reviewed by the Council and after appropriate vetting by the Coordinating Committee on Advocacy, and other Council members, be adopted. The deadline for completion of this project would be the end of December with a concrete product produced by April or May.

Coordinating Committee on Leadership and Professional Identity James Conant, MD

Dr. Conant reported that the "Almond Workshop," created to help build membership through the promotion of Alliance community and state projects (Doctors' Day, Medical Heritage and Health Education) would be presented during the Alliance Post-Convention Meeting held later in the week.

The Committee had also discussed the issue of pharmaceutical companies marketing directly to patients. It was felt that the idea of a "who has your best interests at heart" promotion could have a beneficial effect for SMA membership and requested that this suggestion be reviewed to see if it might be a promotion SMA would consider. A couple ways to handle this suggestion were discussed: 1) create a position paper for a Journal publication proposing the idea that physicians have a role in this process; 2) prepare a newspaper editorial aimed at educating the public that physicians are the ones trained to know what's best for the patient.

Coordinating Committee on Quality Mark S. Williams, MD

Dr. Williams stated that the function of the Quality Committee was to review publications and CME activities to identify quality activities for regional and national programs. The work of the committee will be ongoing in 2014.

Coordinating Committee on CME Clement Cotter, Jr., MD

Dr. Cotter advised the members of the Council that the goal of the Coordinating Committee on CME was to provide quality CME programs and establish relationships with other entities and states to offer web-based programs. SMA is a powerful vehicle to pull in physicians' interest in health care and move forward to support the physician.

The creation of a Leadership Academy is an important program being considered by the committee. Physicians are at the core of changes taking place. SMA has an excellent relationship with Auburn University with through the PEMBA program and it is felt that the partnerships with other universities would be an excellent alignment for this program. IHI (Institute for Healthcare Improvement) is another partnership vehicle being considered for getting SMA's name and information out into the community.

Coordinating Committee on Membership

The previous Chair of this committee, Shakaib Rehman, MD, recently relocated to a state out of the SMA territory and at the time of the Council Meeting, a replacement had not yet been named.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Delaney at 1:00 p.m. CDT.

MINUTES

SMA Council Conference Call Monday, December 9, 2013

The SMA Council met via conference call on Monday, December 9, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. CT by the President, Stuart Goodman, MD.

Roll Call

Members of the Council present: Stuart Goodman, MD, President, Potomac, MD; Clement Cotter, Jr., MD, Birmingham, AL; Steven Strode, MD, Sherwood, AR; Ajoy Kumar, MD, St. Petersburg, FL; Jeffrey Brant, MD, Cartersville, GA; Fayez Shamieh, MD, Lake Charles, LA; Benjamin Carmichael, MD, Hattiesburg, MS; James Conant, MD, St. Joseph, MO; Mason Jett, MD, Oklahoma City, OK; Donald DiPette, MD, Blythewood, SC; Peter R. DeVersa, MD, Chattanooga, TN; Joan K. Lingen, MD, Franktown, VA; David Avery, MD, Vienna, WVA; and Susan Rish, SMA Alliance President, Tupelo, MS.

Members of the Council absent: Gary A. Delaney, Immediate Past President, Orangeburg, SC; Mark S. Williams, MD, President-Elect, Birmingham, AL; Marilou Tablang-Jimenez, MD, Clarksburg, MD; Donald Swikert, MD, Union, KY; Steve Muscoreil, MD, Thomasville, NC; and Robert Kruger, MD, San Antonio, TX.

SMA Staff present: Mr. William L. Hartsfield, Executive Director; Mr. Randy Glick, Chief Information Officer; and Ms. Pamela McDonald, Director, Administration.

Approval of Minutes SMA Council Meeting, October 31, 2013 Destin, Florida

Prior to the conference call, the Minutes from the SMA Council Meeting held October 31, 2013, Destin, Florida, were distributed.

ACTION: Motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously that the Minutes from the Meeting held October 31, 2013, be approved as printed.

Executive Director's Comments and Financial Update Luke Hartsfield

Mr. Hartsfield stated that the financial status of the association was stable and there had been no major changes since the annual meeting in Destin.

As of October 31, 2013, financial statements reflect the Consolidated Net Profit was \$42,000 compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(38,000). SMA had a Net Loss of \$(24,000), compared to a Budgeted Net Loss of \$(36,000). SMA Services, Inc. is operating with a Net Profit of \$66,000, which is \$41,000 ahead of the Budgeted Net Profit of \$25,000.

Mr. Hartsfield gave an update on the SMA Annual Scientific Assembly which was held October 31-November 2, 2013. Expenses for the meeting are 95-98% complete. Although we had hoped the

meeting would make a small profit or break even, it appears that we will lose approximately \$20,000, compared to a Budgeted loss of \$28,000. We have received many accolades on the annual meeting and the destination.

We are facing a major challenge for 2014-2015 regarding the group health insurance program. CIGNA will not renew the group program, effective June 30, 2014, which will result in a loss of approximately \$600,000 in revenue through SMA Services, Inc. We are looking at various possibilities and solutions. Our consultant has contacted AETNA and Blue Cross/Blue Shield. As you know, Blue Cross/Blue Shield is a separate entity in each state. This will be something that will need to be addressed, with the possibility of getting ceding accommodations in each state. Also, BC/BS will only write coverage for dues-paying physicians and their families, with no employee coverage. Physician staff will be referred to the American Insurance Exchange.

AETNA may not write an association program. These are some of the things we are exploring, and you will be kept up-to-date as information becomes available.

Southern Medical Journal Website Update Randy Glick

Mr. Glick provided an update regarding the new website for the *Southern Medical Journal*. As you know, SMA has been working on bringing the Journal website in-house to make it easier for members to have access to Journal information. The new website will be launched the second week of January. SMA and the publisher, Lippincott, will both feature Journal information during the month of January. However, all content will be exclusive to our site by

February 1, 2014. Our goal is to make access easy for members. The new website will also impact revenue. Mr. Glick stated that if any Councilor wanted a demo of the site, please contact him and he will be happy to set it up.

New Business

In order to raise awareness about SMA and its leadership, Dr. Goodman requested that each Councilor send SMA a brief bio to be used in *SMA Pulse* and other publications. He also indicated that he would be contacting presidents of state medical associations in an effort to develop a better working relationship with other medical societies. He will suggest meetings with the state medical society presidents. He also wants other state medical associations to make their membership lists available to SMA.

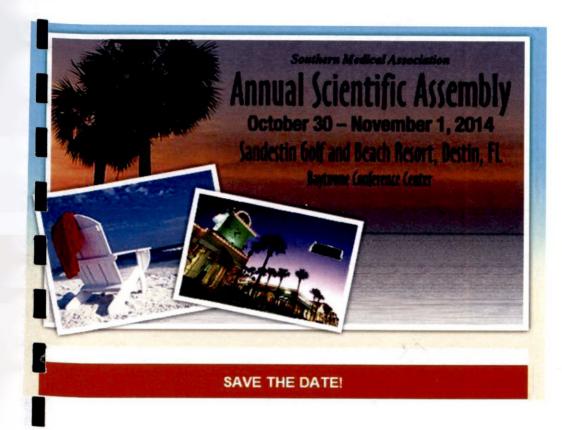
Dr. Goodman also indicated that he is exploring possibilities for a speaker for the 2014 SMA Annual Scientific Assembly.

IHI (Institute for Healthcare Improvement) was also briefly discussed.

Dr. Carmichael reported that SMA hosted a CME program for the Hattiesburg Clinic in November and it was very well attended. Because of the success of the program, it was suggested that other state Councilors contact SMA about hosting a program in their state.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. CT.



For additional information or to register visit sma.org/assembly or call 800-423-4992, ext. 620.

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