



## **BSS Executive Council Meeting minutes Monday, May 15, 2017**

### Attendees:

Kenney, Pardon, Callery, Mark, Millham, Fred, Cronin, Claire, Mackey, Bill, Briggs, Susan, Brooks, David, Boyer, Kristen

### Past Years Meetings

BSS meetings- group agreed past year's meetings were a success

Tripartite meeting initiative-Dr. Callery provided an overview of this meeting. Approximately 130 members attended and 4 BSS members were able to join. Meeting was a full afternoon (5hrs) of content with much industry support. Group was in favor of promoting this meeting and trying to get more BSS members to attend next year. Also discussed the potential of having Boston as one of the cities to host the meeting every 3<sup>rd</sup> year (along with NYC and Philadelphia); also discussed possibility of having residents submit papers to present at this meeting. Group is interested in understanding more of the details as to how Tripartite pulls this meeting off and what the vendor expectations are. Dr. Callery will look into the date of next year's meeting and let the group know.

### Report of the President

Dr. Kenney went over the membership list where he has worked to identify members who should be classified as senior or non-resident members. He also identified those who are deceased or should be removed from the society for "unqualified professional records" (group agreed that a loss of license is grounds for dismissal from the society).

It was noted that the Bylaws need revising and Drs. Millham and Cronin agreed to work on this. After the meeting it was also decided that the Red Book needs to be updated pending pricing estimates. Drs. Kenney, Brooks, and Donaldson have agreed to work on this.

- I. Membership evaluation (distribute lists for review, discuss nonresident status)
- II. Membership criteria – "unqualified professional record"; does loss of license for cause abrogate membership
- III. Bylaws revision

### Report of the Treasurer

Positive report from the treasurer; had a \$15, 342 profit this year and will aim to keep at least \$65K (about a year's worth of expenses) in our bank account each year.

### Report of the Nominating Committee

Nominating Committee will meet via a phone call and/or email towards the end of the summer/early fall to discuss nominees.

### 2017-2018 Program

Group is very much in favor of continuing the Case of the Year Competition. A suggestion of having the audience decide on the winner via their smart phones ('Survery Now') was well received by the group and we'd like to investigate the feasibility of doing this.

Ideas for meetings included: Operating Giving Back (Vivek Murthy); Hartford Consensus (Lenny Jacobs); Jim Roosevelt talk (this was never rescheduled from a blizzard 2 years ago); Innovations in Hernia Repair; Young Surgeon forum (Making the most of your first 10 years)

Venues suggested for next year: Harvard Club (Presidential meeting and Case of the Year), Doubletree (off of Storrow Drive), and going to back to Waltham Westin (rather than the Burlington Marriott).

Dr. Callery suggested a End of the Year Wrap-Up newsletter/email to keep members engaged once the meeting season ends.