

Chapter and national news

AΩA Board of Directors

The Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society held its annual Board of Directors meeting October 1 in Chicago. At the conclusion of the meeting the Board installed its new officers for 2017, and welcomed two new Board members.

Officers



President—**Joseph W. Stubbs MD, MACP** (AΩA, Emory University, 1978) joined the AΩA Board of Directors in 2008 as a Member at Large. In 2011, he became the Board Treasurer, and served in that role until being elected President Elect in 2016. Dr. Stubbs is a private physician in Albany, Georgia. He is past president of the American College of Physicians (2009-2010), and currently the Medical Director of South Georgia Accountable Care Organization. His specialty is internal medicine/geriatrics.



President Elect—**Eve Higginbotham, SM, MD** (AΩA, Morehouse School of Medicine, 2011, Faculty) is the inaugural Vice Dean for Inclusion and Diversity at the University of Pennsylvania, Senior Fellow of the Leonard Davis Institute for Health Economics, and Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Pennsylvania. She is Secretary of the Ascension Board. Dr. Higginbotham

is a member of the National Academy of Medicine, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Defense Health Board, and Visiting Committee of the Institute of Medical Engineering and Science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She is an Associate Editor of the *American Journal of Ophthalmology*, and Vice Chair of the Ocular Hypertension Treatment Study. She serves as the AΩA Leadership Committee Chair, and was active in developing the new Fellow in Leadership Award. Her specialty is ophthalmology, and glaucoma.

Immediate Past President—**Robert G. Atnip, MD, FACS, RPVI** (AΩA, University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Medicine, 1976) has served on the AΩA Board of Directors since 2006, first as a Councilor Director, and most recently as a Member at Large. He has been the



Councilor at the Eta Pennsylvania Chapter at the Pennsylvania State University Milton S. Hershey Medical Center since 2002, and is a Professor of Surgery and Radiology. He is a Test Development consultant for the National Board of Medical Examiners, and a long-standing member of his hospital's Ethics Committee. He is American Board of Surgery certified in surgery, vascular surgery, and surgical critical care. His specialties are vascular surgery, vascular ultrasound, wound care, and hyperbaric medicine.



Secretary Treasurer—**Wiley "Chip" Souba, MD, ScD, MBA** (AΩA, University of Texas Medical School at Houston, 1978) joined the AΩA Board of Directors as a Member at Large in 2013. He has most recently served as Vice-President for Health Affairs, and Dean of the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth, where he maintains a faculty appointment as

Professor in the Department of Surgery. He is nationally known for his innovative approaches to developing leaders and leadership. His specialty is surgical oncology.

New members



Councilor Director—**Kathleen Ryan, MD** (AΩA, Hahnemann University, 1994, Resident) has served as the AΩA Councilor at Drexel University College of Medicine since 2012. She is the Associate Dean for Medical Education-Simulation, and directs the simulation center at the College of Medicine. In January 2015, she was awarded the EMS Advocate

Award in recognition of her role in advocating learning through simulation. In 2011, she was awarded the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation Award for Distinguished Teaching. She was the Associate Editor for *Postgraduate Medicine* from 2008-2015. She has served on many national committees assessing performance at the National Board of Medical examiners, and developing

curricula through Clerkship Directors of Medicine. She has an active medical practice, and has been recognized as a Castle Connolly Top Doctor from 2012-2016.



Student Director—**Sean Christensen, MSIV** (AΩA, University of South Carolina, 2016) is a fourth year medical student at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. He intends to enter a psychiatry residency program later this year. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of California, Berkeley with a double major in Neurobiology and

Mass Communications. He participated in research at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory before moving to Southern California to work at a home medical equipment manufacturing company. In preparation for medical school, he acted as a Kaplan MCAT instructor, and volunteered at Huntington Memorial Hospital in Pasadena, California. As a medical student, he has served as Class President, started a company focused on aiding patients with neurocognitive disorders, and became involved in psychiatry interest groups both locally and nationally, serving as the chair of his region for PsychSIGN. In his senior year of medical school, he has taken an active role in chairing the Black Tie White Coat Gala, an event to raise funds for the Free Medical Clinic in Columbia, South Carolina, and provide scholarships for medical students.

Robert J. Glaser Distinguished Teacher Awards



From left, Robert J. Laskowski, MD, Chair, AAMC Board of Directors; Joseph L. Stubbs, MD, President, AΩA Board of Directors; Dean X. Parmelee, MD, Associate Dean for Medical Education, Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine; Karl Patrick Ober, MD, Professor of Internal Medicine, Wake Forest School of Medicine; F. Stanford Massie Jr., MD, Professor of Medicine, University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Medicine; Thomas L. Pazdernik, PhD, Chancellor's Club Teaching Professor, University of Kansas School of Medicine; Darrell G. Kirch, MD, President and Chief Executive Officer, AAMC.

In recognition of faculty members who have distinguished themselves in medical education, the Robert J. Glaser Distinguished Teacher Awards are presented annually to two basic sciences teachers and two clinical

studies teachers. AΩA partners with the American Association of Medical Colleges (AAMC) in the selection of each year's award recipients.

This year's awards were presented during the AAMC 2016 Awards Dinner, Sunday, November 13, in Seattle, Washington.

The 2016 AΩA Distinguished Teachers are:



F. Stanford Massie Jr., MD, FACP—As a professor of medicine, Dr. Massie has helped thousands of medical students at the University of Alabama at

Birmingham School of Medicine find their passion for clinical care. He also assists those who teach, and in 2011, he co-founded the professional organization Directors of Clinical Skills Courses, which has participants from nearly every U.S. medical school. Dr. Massie's commitment to students is evident in his scholarship, which has served as a framework to identify interventions that can mitigate medical student burnout.



Karl Patrick Ober, MD (AQA, Wake Forest School of Medicine, 1995)—For more than 38 years, Dr. Ober has influenced the lives of thousands of medical and physician assistant students, residents, and fellows. In return, learners at Wake Forest School of Medicine have honored the professor of internal medicine with more than 30 teaching awards, including establishing a leadership award that bears his name. In addition to his proficiency as a clinical educator, Dr. Ober is an internationally recognized expert on Mark Twain, with a focus on the author’s commentaries on medicine. Like Twain, Dr. Ober relies on storytelling to make the most complex material understandable.



Dean X. Parmelee, MD (AQA, Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine, 2008, Faculty)—Dr. Parmelee has been an early pioneer of team-based learning and medical education innovation for more than three decades. In 2001, he joined Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine as Associate Dean for Medical Education, where he partnered with colleagues to transform the passive curriculum into one that engages learners. Dr. Parmelee has advanced active learning techniques nationally and globally, has served as the inaugural president of the national Team-Based Learning Collaborative, and was instrumental in establishing a medical school in Saudi Arabia.



Thomas L. Pazdernik, PhD—Dr. Pazdernik has developed a reputation as an educational innovator at the University of Kansas School of Medicine. More than four decades ago, Dr. Pazdernik led the creation of a computer-assisted teaching system for pharmacology, coordinating efforts with dozens of domestic and foreign medical schools. Upgraded as technology advances, the system continues to aid students today. Dr. Pazdernik has received many honors for exceptional teaching and mentoring, including the Lifetime Achievement in Mentoring Award, and selection as a University of Kansas Chancellor’s Club Teaching Professor.

Past AQA Robert J. Glaser Distinguished Teachers

2015

Gurpreet Dhaliwal, MD (AQA, Northwestern University, 1998), Professor of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine

Jonathan Kibble, PhD, Professor, Assistant Dean for Medical Education, University of Central Florida College of Medicine

Thomas Kwasigroch, PhD (AQA, James H. Quillen College of Medicine of East Tennessee State University, 1988, Faculty), Professor, Biomedical Sciences/Anatomy, James H. Quillen College of Medicine at East Tennessee State University

David Muller, MD (AQA, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, 1995, Resident), Professor, Dean for Medical Education, the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

2014

Charles L. Bardes, MD (AQA, University of Pennsylvania, 1986), Associate Dean of Admissions, Professor, Clinical Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, Weill Cornell Medical College

Bernard Karnath, MD (AQA, University of Texas Medical Branch, 2007, Alumnus), Professor of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston

Randall King, MD, PhD, Harry C. McKenzie Professor, Department of Cell Biology, Harvard Medical School

Emma A. Meagher, MBBCh, BAO (MD), Associate Professor, Department of Medicine, Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

2013

Cynthia Lance-Jones, MA, PhD, Assistant Dean for Medical Student Research, Associate Professor, Department of Neurobiology, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine

Stuart Slavin, MD, MEd (AQA, Saint Louis University, 1984), Associate Dean for Curriculum, Professor, Department of Pediatrics, Saint Louis University School of Medicine

Mikel Snow, PhD (AQA, University of Southern California, 1988), Director, Medical Education, Professor and Chair, Department of Cell and Neurobiology, Keck School of Medicine of the University of Southern California

Roy Ziegelstein, MD, MACP (AQA, Boston University School of Medicine, 1986), Vice Dean for Education, Sarah Miller Coulson and Frank L. Coulson, Jr., Professor of Medicine, Executive Vice Chairman, Department of Medicine, the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

2012

Bruce F. Giffin, PhD, MS, Field Service Professor, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine

Richard B. Gunderman, MD, PhD (AQA, University of Chicago, 1992), Professor of Radiology, Pediatrics, Medical Education, Philosophy, Liberal Arts, Philanthropy, Indiana University School of Medicine

Brian Hodges, MD, PhD, FRCPC, Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine

Amy Leigh Wilson-Delfosse, PhD, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacology, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine

2011

Gerald D. Abrams, MD (AQA, University of Michigan, 1953), Professor Emeritus, Pathology, University of Michigan Medical School

Dennis H. Novack, MD (AQA, Drexel University College of Medicine, 2001, Alumnus), Professor of Medicine, Associate Dean, Medical Education, Drexel University College of Medicine

Mark T. O'Connell, MD (AQA, University of Miami, 1995, Faculty), Senior Associate Dean for Educational Development, Senior Advisor to the Dean, Bernard J. Fogel, MD, Endowed Chair in Medical Education, Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine

LuAnn Wilkerson, EdD, Professor of Medicine, Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education, University of California, Los Angeles David Geffen School of Medicine

2010

Gary L. Dunnington, MD, (AQA, University of Southern California, 1994, Faculty), J. Roland Folse Professor, Chair of Surgery, Southern Illinois University School of Medicine

Duane E. Haines, PhD, Professor, Chairman, Department of Anatomy, University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Medicine

John W. Pelley, PhD, Associate Professor, Cell Biology and Biochemistry, Texas Tech Health Sciences Center School of Medicine

James R. Stallworth, MD (AQA, University of South Carolina, 1987, Faculty), Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics, University of South Carolina School of Medicine

2009

Ronald A. Arky, MD (AQA, Weill Cornell Medical College, 1954), Charles S. Davidson Distinguished Professor of Medicine, Dean of Curriculum, Harvard Medical School

David A. Asch, MD (AQA, Weill Cornell Medical College, 1984), Robert D. Eilers Professor of Medicine and Health Care Management and Economics, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and the Wharton School

Eugene C. Corbett Jr., MD (AQA, University of Virginia, 2001, Faculty), Anne L. and Bernard B. Brodie Professor of Medicine, University of Virginia School of Medicine

Erika A. Goldstein, MD, MPH (AQA, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, 1981), Professor, Internal Medicine, University of Washington School of Medicine

2008

Peter G. Anderson, DVM, PhD, Professor, Pathology, University of Alabama School of Medicine

Daniel W. Foster, MD, MACP (AQA, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, 1954), John Denis McGarry, PhD, Distinguished Chair in Diabetes and Metabolic Research, University of Texas Southwestern Medical School

David W. Nierenberg, MD (AQA, Harvard Medical School, 1976), Edward Tulloh Krumm Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology/Toxicology, Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education, Dartmouth Medical School

Paul L. Rogers, MD (AQA, University of Arkansas, 1972), Professor, Critical Care Medicine, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine

2007

Robert M. Klein, PhD (AQA, Honorary Member, 2010), Associate Dean, Professional Development and Faculty Affairs, Professor Anatomy and Cell Biology, University of Kansas Medical Center School of Medicine

John (Jack) Nolte, PhD, Professor, Cell Biology and Anatomy, University of Arizona College of Medicine

Richard M. Schwartzstein, MD, Faculty Associate Dean for Medical Education, Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Executive Director, Shapiro Institute for Education and Research, Vice President for Education, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

James Sebastian, MD (AQA, Medical College of Wisconsin, 1992, Faculty), Professor, General Internal Medicine, Medical College of Wisconsin

2006

Carmine D. Clemente, PhD (AQA, University of California, Los Angeles, 1998, Faculty), Emeritus Professor, Anatomy and Neurobiology, University of California, Los Angeles School of Medicine

Molly Cooke, MD, William G. Irwin Endowed Chair of the Division of General Internal Medicine, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine

Helen Conrad Davies, PhD, Professor, Microbiology, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

Jeffrey G. Wiese, MD (AQA, University of California, San Francisco, 1999), Chief of Medicine, President of the Medical Faculty, Charity Hospital, New Orleans; Associate Professor, Medicine, Tulane University School of Medicine

2005

Paul E. Aravich, PhD (AQA, Eastern Virginia Medical School, 2011, Faculty), Associate Professor, Pathology/Anatomy and Medicine, Eastern Virginia Medical School

David Eric Golan, MD, PhD, Professor, Biological Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology, Harvard Medical School; Professor, Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital

Louis N. Pangaro, MD (AQA, Georgetown University, 1994, Alumnus), Professor, Vice-Chair, Department of Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine

Robert T. Watson, MD (AQA, University of Florida, 1969), Senior Associate Dean, Educational Affairs, Professor of Neurology, University of Florida College of Medicine

2004

Linda S. Costanzo, PhD (AQA, Virginia Commonwealth University, 2002, Faculty), Professor, Physiology, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine

Arthur F. Dalley II, PhD (AQA, Vanderbilt University, 2003, Faculty), Professor, Cell Biology, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

Steven L. Galetta, MD, Van Meter Professor, Department of Neurology, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

Charles H. Griffith III, MD, MSPH (AQA, University of Kentucky, 2000, Faculty), Associate Professor, Medicine, University of Kentucky College of Medicine

2003

Joel M. Felner, MD (AΩA, Emory University, 1980, Faculty), Professor, Cardiology, Associate Dean for Clinical Education, Emory University School of Medicine

Barry D. Mann, MD (AΩA, Drexel University College of Medicine, 1999, Faculty), Associate Professor, Surgery, Drexel University College of Medicine

Gabriel T. Virella, MD, PhD (AΩA, Medical University of South Carolina, 1989, Faculty), Professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Medical University of South Carolina

Lawrence D.H. Wood, MD, PhD (AΩA, University of Chicago, 1993, Faculty), Dean of Medical Education, University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine

2002

Lewis R. First, MD (AΩA, University of Vermont, 1997, Faculty), Professor and Chair, Department of Pediatrics, University of Vermont College of Medicine

Faith T. Fitzgerald, MD (AΩA, University of California, San Francisco, 1969), Professor of Medicine, University of California, Davis School of Medicine

Aviad Haramati, PhD, Professor of Physiology and Biophysics, Georgetown University School of Medicine

Ralph F. Jozefowicz, MD (AΩA, Columbia University, 1979), Professor of Neurology and Medicine, Associate Chair for Education, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

2001

Walter J. Bo, PhD, Professor, Neurobiology and Anatomy, Wake Forest University School of Medicine

J. John Cohen, MD, PhD (AΩA, University of Colorado, 1992, Faculty), Professor, Immunology, University of Colorado School of Medicine

Douglas S. Paauw, MD (AΩA, University of Michigan, 1983), Associate Professor, Medicine, University of Washington School of Medicine

Steven E. Weinberger, MD (AΩA, Harvard Medical School, 1973), Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School

2000

Frank M. Calia, MD (AΩA, Tufts University School of Medicine, 1961), Professor, Medicine, University of Maryland School of Medicine

Cyril M. Grum, MD (AΩA, University of Michigan, 1998, Faculty), Professor, Medicine, University of Michigan Medical School

Ronald J. Markert, PhD, Robert J. Kergereis Distinguished Professor of Teaching, Wright State University School of Medicine

Jeanette J. Norden, PhD (AΩA, Vanderbilt University, 1998, Alumnus), Professor, Cell Biology and Neuroscience, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

1999

Susan Billings-Gagliardi, PhD (AΩA, University of Massachusetts Medical School, 2001, Faculty), Professor, Cell Biology, University of Massachusetts Medical School

L.D. Britt, MD (AΩA, Eastern Virginia Medical School, 1993, Faculty), Henry Ford Professor, Edward Brickhouse Chairman, Department of Surgery, Eastern Virginia Medical School

Patrick Duff, MD, Professor, Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Florida College of Medicine

John Theodore Hansen, PhD, Professor, Neurobiology and Anatomy, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

1998

Bruce M. Koeppe, MD, PhD (AΩA, University of Chicago, 1977), University of Connecticut School of Medicine

Daniel H. Lowenstein, MD (AΩA, University of California, San Francisco, 1983), University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine

Hugo Rudolf Seibel, PhD (AΩA, Virginia Commonwealth University, 1990, Faculty), Medical College of Virginia at Virginia Commonwealth University

Mark H. Swartz, MD (AΩA, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, 1972), Mount Sinai School of Medicine

1997

George Libman Engel, MD (AΩA, Johns Hopkins University, 1938), University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

William H. Frishman, MD (AΩA, Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, 1978, Faculty), Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Carlos Pestana, MD, PhD (AΩA, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, 1975), University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio

Michael S. Wilkes, MD, PhD, University of California, Los Angeles School of Medicine

1996

Ruth-Marie Fincher, MD (AΩA, Medical College of Georgia at Georgia Regents University, 1976, Faculty), Medical College of Georgia

Edward C. Klatt, MD (AΩA, Loma Linda University, 1976), University of Utah School of Medicine

Steven R. McGee, MD (AΩA, Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine, 1980), University of Washington School of Medicine

1995

Pamela C. Champe, PhD (AΩA, Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, 1996, Faculty), University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

Phyllis A. Guze, MD, University of California, Los Angeles

1994

Jose I. Choca, MD, PhD, University of Illinois College of Medicine

Jane F. Desforges, MD (AΩA, Tufts University School of Medicine, 1945), Tufts University School of Medicine and the New England Medical Center

William E. Erkonen, MD, University of Iowa College of Medicine

Guido Majno, MD, Massachusetts Medical School

1993

Kelley M. Skeff, MD (AΩA, University of Colorado, 1970), Stanford University School of Medicine

Parker A. Small Jr., MD (AΩA, University of Florida, 2001, Faculty), University of Florida College of Medicine