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To: Membership of the University of Missouri Orthopedic Association

Subject: Minutes - UMOA Annual Business Meeting - May 14, 2024, Missouri Orthopaedic Institute

In Attendance: Drs. Keeney, Smith, Nuelle, Cook and Gainor

Old business:

Your UMOA dues for 2024 are PAID. Anonymous donors have generously donated funds to cover dues for 2024.

UMOA Research and Education Funding for Resident Research Projects and Educational Opportunities has been very effective - Check out what our residents have been doing with your support!

<https://medicine.missouri.edu/departments/orthopaedic-surgery/residency/current-residents>

New business:

Officers – Dr. Nuelle was nominated to serve as President, accepted, and was voted in. Dr. Keeney will serve as Vice President-Administration. A proposal for the addition of a current Mizzou Ortho resident to serve as an officer was seconded and approved. Dr. Jacob Elfrink subsequently agreed to serve in this role, such that the current UMOA officers include Dr. Julia Nuelle (President), Dr. Matt Smith (Vice President-Fiscal), Dr. Jim Keeney (Vice President-Administration), Dr. Jimi Cook (Secretary–Treasurer), Dr. Barry Gainor (Honorary Secretary-Treasurer), and Dr. Jacob Elfrink (Resident Officer).

Member Communication – 1) Margo Hodge Dalal will be spearheading Alumni relations communication in conjunction with Dr. Nuelle. 2) Resident officer responsible for social media

Electronic payments/donations –Discussed pros/cons of using paypal/other digital platforms. Consensus was to stop asking for dues and switch to just asking for donations

Member meet-up – Given recent changes in attendance at AAOS, the groups discussed alternate venues including resident graduation weekend events, home football game weekends. Will further explore options.

New Annual Award – A proposal for a UMOA-sponsored award was approved and implemented as follows:

Mizzou Distinguished Orthopaedic Alumni Award

This award recognizes distinguished research, education, and/or humanitarian service with impact in orthopaedics by a member of the University of Missouri Orthopaedic Association (UMOA). Nominations with one or more letters of support are submitted by UMOA members and the recipient is determined by majority vote of the UMOA officers. The recipient receives a certificate and honorarium (\$1,000) presented at the Resident Graduation dinner each year. Please submit your nomination to Dr. Cook (cookjl@health.missouri.edu) at any time.

The inaugural 2024 award will go to **Dr. Joe Morgan**, Mizzou Ortho Residency Class of 2015.

Financial report:

• Expenses	
o Resident Research & Education Support	\$ 8,965.57
o Diversity Event Sponsorship	\$ 1,017.90
o MO Registration and Annual Audit	\$ 495.50
• Income	
o Dues Donation (anonymous)	\$ 2,500.00
o MTF Member Institution Support (Cook)	\$ 10,000.00
UMOA account balance/total assets	\$ 61,404.79

Please check out and bookmark the UMOA website – it is a great resource!

<https://medicine.missouri.edu/departments/orthopaedic-surgery/orthopaedic-association>

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

James L. Cook, DVM, PhD, OTSC

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