

ACNP Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 8, 2016
9:00am – 12:00pm
The Diplomat Resort
Hollywood, Florida – Room 204

Anissa Abi-Dargham, Presiding

Antonello Bonci
Joseph Coyle
Alan Frazer
Raquel Gur
David Kupfer
James Meador-Woodruff
Bitia Moghaddam
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Rita Valentino

Executive Director: Ronnie Wilkins
Staff: Sarah Timm
Erin Shaw

Conflict of Interest Forms were reviewed prior to start of the meeting by Anissa Abi-Dargham, President, Joseph Coyle, Secretary, and Ronnie Wilkins, Executive Director, per the Conflict of Interest Policy for Council.

A. Abi-Dargham opened the meeting by thanking A. Frazer for all his help and hard work in 2016.

- 1. ACNP Annual Meeting Location and Zika Concerns*** – It was brought to Council’s attention that younger members, who were pregnant or contemplating pregnancy, had concerns about attending due to the Zika virus, and many did not come or only stayed for one day. Council also heard many complaints regarding the wireless internet, hotel lobby renovations, and food quality at the Diplomat Beach Resort. The College cannot cancel 2018’s contract with the Diplomat Beach Resort without incurring around a \$400,000 cancellation fee. The Executive Office would need to let the Diplomat know by January 9, 2017 if they plan to cancel 2019’s contract without incurring a charge. Council voted to cancel 2019, and explore if San Juan has availability in 2019. If San Juan is not available, the Executive Office will research Orlando.
- 2. 2021 ACNP Annual Meeting Location Discussion*** – Council wants to cancel the 2019 contract with the Diplomat. Options discussed for 2019 and 2021 included Orlando and San Juan. Council decided to try to get a contract in San Juan for both years, preferably with an out clause if we are not happy with that choice at the 2019 meeting. Orlando would be our second choice for both years.

3. ***PMG Board Report/Board Reappointments*** – Ken Davis and R. Wilkins’ term on the PMG Board ends March 31, 2017, and the PMG Board recommended to approve reappointing K. Davis and R. Wilkins to serve another term. Council approved the request.
4. ***Nomenclature Update from David Kupfer*** – D. Kupfer informed Council of the mission of the Neuroscience Based Nomenclature (NbN)workgroup and a background of why it was formed. This workgroup formed by ACNP consists of members from ACNP, ECNP and CINP. It is focused on the nomenclature project and reports back to Council. The workgroup met this morning to give an update on the app being translated into Japanese, Spanish, Korean and Chinese. The app now has more drugs listed. This workgroup will discuss if there will be a separate app for adolescent and child or an overall app for both. There will be a gradual change to request editors of journals to change their instructions to authors to use the NbN nomenclature in their submissions. It was also suggested to make the NbN nomenclature required for panel, study group and mini-panel submissions for the Annual Meeting. APA had a workshop last year on clinical training and residency training. ACNP could host a workshop with the FDA being involved. For more information on NbN Nomenclature: <http://nbnomenclature.org/>
5. ***Joint Society Collaborative Initiatives*** – Council agreed to support collaborative efforts between APA and SOBP. A call will be set with members from ACNP, APA and SOBP to discuss further possible initiatives.
6. ***American Brain Coalition Request*** – The ABC requested that the College forward a current statement of support that includes how the BRAIN Initiative will benefit ACNP. The request is no longer necessary since the 21st Century Cures Act passed Senate vote on Wednesday, December 7th.
7. ***Discussion on Naming URM Mentoring Award*** – Council had discussed a name for the URM Mentoring Award in the Saturday’s Council meeting. Council discussed if this award should have a name or be called the “URM Mentoring Award”. All other ACNP awards are named by members of the College. This is an opportunity to honor a minority. Council also discussed the possibility of naming the award in honor of a minority person who is not an ACNP member. It was decided for Council members to send a nomination and paragraph defining the choice of either ACNP members or non-members, and Council will decide the name on a January call.
8. ***Website Editor*** – The Publications Committee requested a search committee be established to find the next website editor in early 2017. They also want Council to consider an increased stipend since the website will be undergoing a redesign. The current stipend is \$12,000 annually. Council decided to table this request until after a discussion with David Sibley, current Website Editor. D. Sibley will be asked to join a call in early 2017. Council agreed the mission of the website needs to be reevaluated.

9. ***Final Decisions on Use of Funding*** – Council approved at the Saturday Council meeting to provide additional support for Travel Awardees. This will be a one-time grant of \$1,000 to each travel awardee who returns to the meeting within two years of his/her initial travel award. Council also approved allowing Associate Members who are presenting an oral presentation to have the registration fee waived and be eligible for non-member funding.

The below initiatives were discussed for funding.

- Publications Committee Handbook Proposal – Council agreed that there is not enough data to show if the field needs a handbook such as the one that the Publications Committee is proposing. Without having these data, Council agreed it would be a huge undertaking of the College and its members for little purpose. Council decided to not move forward with this project, and will provide feedback to Harriett de Wit and Ellen Leibenluft, Publication Committee Chairs.
- Invest more in our Journal – Bill Carlezon, Editor-in-Chief of *Neuropsychopharmacology*, presented ideas from his editorial team for additional funding such as having a big prize for the Top Paper in NPP, two NEATOR awards (clinical and preclinical) instead of one, smaller prizes, hiring a Social Media Editor to the editorial team to tweet and Facebook for the Journal, video news, enhancing the front half of the journal, education materials, and white papers. Council approved \$50,000 for the journal initiatives. B. Carlezon and his team will explore the ideas. Council does not need to approve B. Carlezon's the items they choose to fund.
- Provide additional support for the APA Colloquium – ACNP will join SOBP and APA, and give \$20,000 to support the colloquium. Further discussion is needed on funding any further than one year.
- Support Advocacy Outreach Organization with missions similar to ACNP – Katie Sale, Executive Director of the American Brain Coalition, had developed a dues structure that was acceptable to the participating patient advocacy organizations (0.1% of the annual budget). As a consequence, ACNP dues fell to only \$3,000 from its historical contribution of \$25,000. K. Sale is requesting ACNP pay \$25,000 as they had in the past. Council approved a \$25,000 to ABC. These funds will be used to further the initiative with IOM on engaging industry back in CNS.
- Provide training on conducting clinical trials – ASCP hosts a two-day clinical trial interactive workshop, but does not get many paying attendees in attendance. Council approved to give \$20,000 to ASCP for these workshops. This workshop may be further developed into an additional basic science bootcamp session in the future.
- NNCI/SOBP Proposal – K. Ressler informed group of the National Neuroscience Curriculum Initiative to improve the residency training in neuroscience. They received a R25 grant which expires next year. They are seeking funding until they can receive another NIMH grant. K. Ressler also mentioned asking SOBP and APA for support of \$20,000 along with ACNP's support. Council approved \$20,000 to this initiative. It was also suggested to start a task force to focus on M.D./Ph.D.'s.

10. Presidential Initiatives for 2017 – A. Abi-Dargham, Advice on Implementation of Initiatives – Council approved A. Abi-Dargham’s Presidential initiatives for 2017 from the business meeting.

11. Applications to ACNP membership – There was a suggestion after receiving feedback from the guidelines for applying for ACNP membership to create and post a video from either the President or Secretary explaining what type of candidates that the College is looking for, and how candidates can make their application stronger. This will be revisited on a future call. The Executive Office will get an estimate of cost for a web video to present.

12. Issuing a statement supporting being inclusive of LGBT people – Council supported the development of a statement. B. Moghaddam will send the Executive Office wording for different organizations, and this will be reviewed on the next call.

Information Item:

13. 2017 Summer Council Meeting – July 16, 2017, Chicago, Illinois

* The meeting was closed at 11:45 a.m. Eastern.