

**Council Quarterly Call**  
**Tuesday, April 23, 2019**  
**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Eastern**  
**Dial-in: 800-501-8979, pin # 3242374**

**Participants:**

**Marina Wolf**  
**Anissa Abi-Dargham**  
**Joseph Coyle**  
**Maria Oquendo**  
**Bitu Moghaddam**  
**Victoria Arango**  
**Judith Ford**

**Helen Mayberg**  
**Trevor Robbins**  
**Linda Brady (elect)**  
**Carlos Zarate (elect)**  
**Juan Gallego, Minority Task Force chair**  
**Sarah Timm, staff**  
**Erin Shaw, staff**

**Minutes:**

- 1. Minority Task Force Proposal** – J. Gallego, Minority Task Force chair, joined the call to discuss and answer questions on the Minority Task Force’s proposal to allow additional categories for an individual to be considered for the Diversity Invitation Bank. J. Gallego provided background that during the annual meeting last year, one of the task force members raised the issue of members of the LGBTQ community not feeling welcomed into the society. The task force also discussed economically disadvantaged individuals, but did not reach a consensus in regard to the correct method to identify/quantify at this time. The task force agreed the College should research this further once the NIH has stated how they will quantify this category. The Task Force proposed that we begin the process of addressing status of LGBTQ+ scientists by including these individuals in the Diversity Invitation Bank (see below) prior to making larger changes (e.g., status for Travel Awards or Membership). The Executive Office stated that the member requesting the Diversity Bank Invitation for the LGBTQ person must state that the person is in this category as they would for scientists with a disability or underrepresented minorities. Council voted to approve the Minority Task Force’s proposal below:

*The **Diversity Invitation Bank** allows members to offer an additional invitation to a scientist from an underrepresented minority group. **These groups include an individual who identifies as African-American, Hispanic, Native American, Pacific Islander, LGBTQ+ or a scientist with a disability. Members who request the invitation should vouch for the minority status of the scientist they are inviting.***

M. Wolf thanked J. Gallego for attending the call, and for all the work of the Minority Task Force. Council agreed this was a good start, and charged the task force with considering broader implications regarding LGBTQ+, scientists with a disability, and economically disadvantaged. Council requested the task force research the NIH guidelines and provide a report back at a future date.

- 2. ACNP FY20 Budget** – S. Timm discussed the proposed FY20 budget with Council. S. Timm reminded Council that the special projects should come from the dividends and

interest earned from the College's investments in the previous fiscal year. With the FY2020 budget, we are projecting a \$215K operational profit. S. Timm advised Council that the College will be losing approximately \$366K from the annual meeting; however, the income from publications and Parthenon Management Group allows the College to run a balanced budget operationally. Council discussed that they need to be cognizant of the future with Plan S, as this could shift our journal revenue in a drastic way. S. Timm informed Council that Springer Nature will provide a report to the Plan S Task Force on July 1<sup>st</sup> on how Plan S could affect NPP. A question was raised if Council can approve future funding opportunities that were not included in the special projects currently, such as NNCI and ABC. S. Timm confirmed that these additional funding opportunities can still be approved by Council if a proposal is provided. Council unanimously approved the FY20 budget.

3. ***Early Career Faculty*** – On the last teleconference, the Executive Committee decided to eliminate the early career faculty registration category for non-members. This was a registration category that was added in 2018 for a non-member who is post training, but within seven years of becoming an Assistant Professor level or its equivalent. S. Timm communicated that the public perception of this could be negative when communicating to membership that this category has been removed. Council pointed out that this could be justified by saying that this is an example of using ACNP funds to support non-members. Council agreed removing this registration category will help reduce the loss of the annual meeting as the early career faculty registration rate is less than the cost of the meeting per attendee.
4. ***ACNP Name Change*** – M. Wolf informed Council that only three members responded to her Presidential Blog regarding the survey results on a name change to the College and journal. Council agreed this is a very complex issue as only 30% of the membership responded to the survey. Council requested for the Executive Office to email the blog again to membership requesting feedback as the blog provides a good summary of the survey results. The Executive Office will also post this on social media again and place in the May Bulletin. This is currently on the home page of the ACNP website. Council will discuss again at their summer meeting.
5. ***ABC Innovation Initiative (ABCI2)*** – B. Moghaddam informed Council there were no updates at this time regarding the ABCI2.
6. ***Paul Greengard, ACNP Fellow and Nobel Laureate, passed away on April 13<sup>th</sup>*** – Council agreed the College should honor P. Greengard since he was a Nobel Laureate as we did in 2018 for Arvid Carlsson with a special edition Bulletin. The Executive Office will follow the same procedure as last year requesting personal commentaries and photos from membership. Council suggested engaging Eric Nestler, Bruce McEwen, Eric Kandel and John Mann to request additional people who are not ACNP members who would want to contribute to this special Bulletin. M. Wolf requested for Council to send E. Shaw any additional people the Executive Office should engage. This will be discussed further on a future teleconference.

**Information Items:**

7. ***April Committee Updates*** – M. Wolf encouraged Council to review the committee and task force updates if they had not already.
8. ***Annual Meeting Report*** – M. Wolf encouraged Council to review the annual meeting report if they had not already.
9. ***2020 ACNP Officer and Council Election*** – Our newly elected Officer and Council Members:
  - a. President-elect:
    - i. Linda S. Brady, Ph.D.
  - b. Council (three-year term):
    - i. Mary L. Phillips, M.D.
    - ii. Carlos A. Zarate, Jr., M.D.