Council Quarterly Call
Tuesday, October 8, 2019
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Eastern
Dial-in: 800-501-8979, pin # 3242374

Participants:
Marina Wolf
Linda Brady
Anissa Abi-Dargham
David Kupfer
Judith Ford
Helen Mayberg
Victoria Arango
Mary Phillips, Council-Elect
Carlos Zarate, Council-Elect
Sarah Timm, staff
Erin Shaw, staff

Minutes:

1. Proposed Session During Annual Meeting – D. Kupfer and S. Timm discussed the proposed session, “Advanced Investment Strategies for Personal and Organizational Portfolios”. This seminar/special study group, led by D. Kupfer, is intended for Associate Members, Members, and Fellows who manage their personal investment portfolios or who have responsibility for the portfolio of another professional organization. S. Timm stated this will be a 45-minute session scheduled on Tuesday, December 10th at 1:30 p.m., which is the same time as the Career Development session. Council agreed it would be fine to offer two development sessions for attendees to choose from at the meeting, as long as the Membership Advisory Task Force does not see this as an infringement on their time. A. Abi-Dargham motioned to approve the session and L. Brady seconded the motion. Council voted and all were in favor.

2. Milken Institute Advocacy Affiliate Application – The Milken Institute has embarked on a multi-year collaborative project with the Brain and Behavior Research Foundation to develop a consolidated vision for philanthropic funding of Bipolar Disorder research. The Milken Institute is requesting to become an advocacy affiliate with ACNP as they would like to incorporate the scientific views of the ACNP. The Liaison Committee has reviewed and approved the Milken Institute. S. Timm advised Council that the advocacy affiliates are extended two invitations to our annual meeting. Council voted and all were in favor of allowing the Milken Institute as an ACNP Advocacy Affiliate.

3. Audit Committee Report – M. Wolf advised Council that ACNP had a clean audit report with a level one out of four, with one being the best. Council reviewed and approved the Audit Committee report. Council thanked the Audit Committee and D. Kupfer for their hard work. D. Kupfer stated the auditors did a great job.
Information Items:

4. **October Committee Updates** – Council reviewed the committee updates and did not have any questions.

5. **Associate Member to Full Member** – At the summer meeting, Council requested an update on the success of Associate Members becoming full Members. S. Timm stated that our records show that in the past five years, there were 352 total Associate Members. Out of those Associate Members, 200 became full Members (57%).
   - i. Percent of accepted full Members who are M.D. = 22%
   - ii. Acceptance rate of M.D. = 68%
   - iii. Percent of accepted full Members who are Ph.D. = 52%
   - iv. Acceptance rate of Ph.D. = 50%
   - v. Percent of accepted full Members who are M.D./Ph.D. = 22%
   - vi. Acceptance rate of M.D./Ph.D. = 64%
   - vii. Percent of accepted full Members who are another designation = 4%
   - viii. Acceptance rate of other = 89%

Council questioned how many Associate Members do not apply for full Member status before their associate membership term ends and how many had their application for full membership turned down and then termed out. The Executive Office will research this and place the topic on a future Executive Committee call. It was suggested to survey the individuals who never applied for full membership to find out the reasons.

6. **ACNP Summer Council Meeting 2020** – The summer Council Meeting will be Sunday, July 12, 2020 in Chicago at the Gwen Hotel. The Program Committee will meet on Saturday, July 11, 2020.

7. **ACNP Summer Meeting Workgroup** – The Executive Office has extended invitations to Susan Amara, Susanne Ahmari, Linda Brady, Carlos Zarate, Abraham Palmer, Bita Moghaddam, Marina Wolf, Randy Blakely and Ted Satterthwaite to join the workgroup that will be discussing an electronic meeting for the Program Committee starting in 2021.

8. **ACNP/AMP BRAD Fellowship** – The ACNP/AMP BRAD Fellowship application opens this fall and the deadline is March 1, 2020. This flyer will be highlighted on the ACNP website, in the November Bulletin, and communicated in an email to membership. Council reviewed the partnership letter from Paula Clifford, AMP Executive Director, on the ACNP/AMP BRAD Fellowship program.

9. **Speaking of Research Sign-on Letter to Andrew Wheeler, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** – The Executive Committee agreed to sign-on to the [letter to A. Wheeler](#) regarding the EPA setting a goal of eliminating all animal research by 2035. M. Wolf encouraged Council to read the letter if they have not already.