

ASA Academic Caucus Summary

Saturday, October 13, 2018 – 7:00AM- 9:00AM

Marriott Marquis San Francisco – Yerba Buena Salon 8

Hosted by: Society of Academic Associations of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine (SAAAPM)

Format

The power to influence the direction of our specialty and the ASA is substantially improved by engagement of members of academic anesthesiology. The purpose of the academic caucus, formed in 2015, is to establish a forum at which academic anesthesiologists can voice their opinions regarding issues facing our specialty and our society. The agenda of the caucus is defined by the Director and Alternate Director for Academic Anesthesiology. A list of topics of importance to the academic anesthesiology community has been developed by these individuals. It would be helpful if ASA leadership would address these topics. Candidates for contested elections are invited to present for 5 minutes each at the end of the caucus. A light continental breakfast, hosted by SAAAPM, is available for attendees.

Timeline

7:00 AM to 7:02 AM (02 Min.)	Introductions by Dr. Jeffrey Kirsch
7:02 AM to 8:20 AM (78 Min.)	Discussion on Academic Caucus Topics
8:20 AM to 8:55 AM (35 Min.)	5 Minutes Offered to Each ASA Candidate in Contested Elections
8:55 AM to 9:00 AM (20 Min.)	Wrap-Up

Academic Caucus Topics for ASA Officers

We have developed topics of discussion for the ASA Officers invited to the Academic Caucus. *Please come prepared to address the following issues of importance to the Academic Caucus:*

1. **Strategic Planning:** Please provide a brief update on the ASA Strategic Planning along with the current mission, vision, values, etc.
2. **Celebrating Research and Other Scholarly Work:** Please provide an update on accomplishing a presence for research on the ASA website.
3. **January Stakeholder's Summit:** Please provide any update from January Stakeholder's Summit.
4. **Perioperative Surgical Home (PSH):** Members of the academic caucus have asked if it is possible to share the detailed approach for success within the PSH. Specifically, some members propose the following: as the national society representing our specialty the ASA has an obligation to their membership to make freely available the PSH models being developed and the evidence supporting their value. In addition, they should be actively collaborating with the Academic Caucus and sharing their methodologies and work product to ensure that we are training the next generation of anesthesiologists to understand these new patterns of practice and to work with maximum efficacy within them.
5. **Professional Citizenship:** Please provide an update on the ASA's position of teaching professional citizenship.
6. **ASA Finances:** Please provide an update on the ASA's budget.

Target Audience

- ASA Members in Academic Medicine. Invite sent to the entire SAAAPM Membership.
 - The Association of Academic Anesthesia Chairs (AAAC) representing the Chairs of the academic departments.
 - The Association of Anesthesiology Core Program Directors (AACPD) representing ACGME designated core program directors.
 - The Association of Anesthesiology Subspecialty Program Directors (AASPD) representing the currently recognized subspecialty program directors.
 - The Association of Anesthesiology Program Administrators and Educators (AAPAE) representing program administrators and educators in ACGME approved programs.

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Summary of Caucus

Introductions by Dr. Jeffrey Kirsch

The Academic Caucus was called to order at 7:00am. Jeffrey Kirsch provided background of the Academic Caucus and the reason for meeting.

ASA Officers to Address Academic Caucus Topics

Linda Mason gave a welcome as the Incoming ASA President.

ASA Finances: The ASA has a balanced budget proposed for 2019, with an increase in staff compensation. The increase in staff compensation will help better align with comparable associations.

Strategic Planning: The ASA is working with FAER and IARS jointly for research. Another part of advocacy is seeking an increase in funding for research.

Celebrating Research and Other Scholarly Work: A new ASA website is launching during the ASA Annual Meeting. It will feature research, scholarly work, FAER, awards, etc. The ASA is also pushing out research advances to the entire ASA membership. They are also doing more research focused sessions at the Annual Meeting. In addition to research awards, they are also working with the SEA on developing a mid-career recognition for advanced educators.

January Stakeholder's Summit: One of the outcomes from the January Stakeholder's Summit is forming a task force to improve payment models for anesthesiology.

Perioperative Surgical Home (PSH): The ASA is developing a 6-part webinar series related to Perioperative Surgical Home. It will be free for ASA members.

Professional Citizenship: No update.

Committee on Academic Anesthesiology Update

Dr. Deborah Culley asked everyone to tell the ACGME they would like it to be a requirement for the Chair of Anesthesiology be an anesthesiologist. It currently impacts everyone in the house of medicine. She also asked that everyone continue to support FAER and ask the ASA to continue supporting anesthesiology research.

Discussion on Reports and Recommendations in the Four Reference Committee Documents

Scientific Affairs: Dr. Ronald G. Pearl provided a summary of the reference committee documents. The ASA is developing an academic career designation. Other items of interest were: a statement of aging anesthesiologists, establishment of a Committee of Physician Health, a Committee to determine if ASA should have a role in gun violence and an allocation of funding to developing educational products. There was a recommendation for the ASA to have funds available for a grant program to support scholarly investigation.

Administrative Affairs: Dr. Gary Haynes provided a summary of the reference committee documents. The ASA decided not to acquire the Anesthesiology Toolbox because the cost of running it would not be break-even. There was an approval of a research summit in 2019. In regard to a statement of personal leave it was recommend that all departments have written policies and guidelines. Those polices must be compliant with ACGME and ABA guidelines.

Professional Affairs: Drs. Sekar Bhavani & Carolyn Bannister provided a summary of the reference committee documents. The Committee on Patient Safety is developing a needs assessment survey for training. In addition, there was action on guidelines for surgical attire and professional conduct.

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Financial Affairs: Dr. Steven Boggs provided a summary of the reference committee documents. There is no ASA dues increase proposed, but there will be more frequent smaller dues increases versus infrequent larger increases.

FAER Updates

Dr. James C. Eisnach provided the FAER update. SAAAPM and AUA both gave major gifts to FAER to fund research grants. The amount provided for each MRTG grant was increased. FAER has a \$5 million operating budget annually.

5 Minutes Offered to Each ASA Candidate in Contested Elections

Participating candidates were: Dr. Claude D. Brunson and Dr. Beverly K. Phillip for 1st Vice President; Dr. Jeffery Kirsch and Dr. Andy Rosenberg for Vice President for Scientific Affairs; and Dr. David Broussard, Dr. Kraig de Lanzac and Dr. David Martin for Assistant Secretary.

Wrap-Up

The Academic Caucus ended 8:52am.