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REPORT 1 OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES: ASSOCIATION AFFAIRS AND RESOLUTIONS

Background: This is the first in a series of reports to be presented by the Board of Trustees to the House of Delegates at the 162nd Annual Meeting of the American Dental Association.

Appreciation to the Advisory Committee on Annual Meetings: The American Dental Association is pleased to have its first SmileCon™ conference in Las Vegas, Nevada, October 11-13, 2021.

The Board of Trustees wishes to express its sincere gratitude to the Committee, and the exceptional leadership of Dr. George R. Shepley, 2020-2021 committee chair; Dr. H. Charles McKelvey, 2020-2021 meeting chair; and Dr. Robert L. Skinner, 2020-2021 continuing education chair.

Committee Members: Dr. Robert L. Blackwell; Dr. Michael J. Goulding (2022 CLA general chair-designate); Dr. Chad R. Leighty (2021-2022 committee chair-designate); Dr. Melanie R. Love (2023 meeting chair-designate); Dr. R. David Resch; Dr. David A. Schimmel; Dr. Peter C. Shatz (2022 continuing education chair-designate); Dr. Nanette C. Tertel (2023 continuing education chair-designate); Dr. Lauren E. Vitkus (2021 New Dentist Member); Dr. Deborah W. Weisfuse; Ms. Casey A. White (2021 ASDA Liaison); and Dr. Bradley A. Wilbur (2021 Las Vegas CLA general chair) are all to be recognized for their commendable achievement.

The Board also extends its sincere appreciation and thanks for those chairpersons who so capably assisted Dr. Bradley A. Wilbur, general chair of the 2021 Las Vegas Committee on Local Arrangements, in preparation and support of SmileCon™: Dr. George F. Rosenbaum, vice chair; Dr. George J. McAlpine, program co-chair; Dr. Stephen C. Rose, program co-chair; Dr. Tina M. Brandon Abbatangelo, operations co-chair; and Dr. Amy S. Tongsiri, operations co-chair.

Without the diligent work from these dedicated volunteer leaders, and their efforts working as a team, the development, planning and execution of SmileCon™ would not be possible.

Remembrance of Former Leaders: Since the last meeting of the House of Delegates, the following ADA Officers have passed away: Dr. Marjorie K. Jeffcoat, former JADA Editor, 2001-2004; Dr. Walter F. Lamacki, former trustee, 1990-1994; Dr. Patrick S. Metro, former trustee, 1996-2000; Dr. James H. Pearce, Jr., former trustee, 1991-1995; Dr. Donald L. Seago, former trustee, 2009-2013; Dr. Jonathan D. Shenkin, former vice president, 2013-2015; Dr. J. Thomas Soliday, Sr., former speaker, 2002-2012; and Dr. Charles E. Wilson, former vice president, 1988-1989.
Election of Honorary Membership: In accordance with the Bylaws which empowers the Board of Trustees to elect members of the Association, the following individuals have been elected to Honorary Membership:

- Mr. Jerome K. Bowman
- Mr. Fred J. Leviton
- Mr. Stephen O’Loughlin
- Mr. Richard D. Stevens

These individuals in various ways have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of the art and science of dentistry or contributions above and beyond expectation to the profession. The Board offers its sincerest congratulations to these newest honorary members.

Distinguished Service Award: Established in 1970, the Distinguished Service Award is the highest honor conferred by the Association’s Board of Trustees. Each year the Board may select one recipient for the Award. The Board is pleased to announce that the recipient of the 2021 Distinguished Service Award is Rear Admiral Timothy Ricks.

Timothy Ricks, D.M.D., M.P.H., F.I.C.D. RADM Ricks currently serves as the Chief Dental Officer of the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS). RADM Ricks advises the Office of the Surgeon General and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on the recruitment, assignment, deployment, retention, and career development of oral health professionals. He is also responsible for overseeing the development of the second-ever Surgeon General’s Report on Oral Health, and he chairs the USPHS Oral Health Coordinating Committee.

In addition to his role as Chief Dental Officer, RADM Ricks serves concurrently in numerous national roles within the Indian Health Service (IHS) including continuing dental education coordinator, oral health promotion/disease prevention consultant, oral health surveillance coordinator, dental lead for the Government Performance and Results Act, and IHS representative to the Healthy People 2020/2030 oral health workgroup.

RADM Ricks has served in the U.S. Public Health Service for over 20 years. Prior to this service, he was an associate dentist, independent contractor, and sole proprietor, and he also served as a military police officer in the Army National Guard. He has served in numerous leadership capacities within the U.S. Public Health Service, led multiple national initiatives, and is the recipient of numerous USPHS and IHS national awards.

The ability of the dental profession to successfully navigate the COVID-19 pandemic is in part due to the efforts he made on behalf of all of dentistry to bring together everyone who has a stake in the profession. He convened public-private partnership meetings early in the pandemic to allow for exchange of information and collaborative thought. What started out with less than ten organizations has now become more than fifty. These organizations include federal agencies, U.S. Dental Corps, professional member organizations, specialty groups, research entities, trade industry representatives, and many others. Collaborative work by all who have participated greatly influenced the success our profession experienced as we moved through this pandemic. The resources provided through his organization and guidance will continue to move us forward for years to come. Lessons learned about the benefits of collaborative action has benefitted us all.

Retiring Officers and Trustees: The Board of Trustees wishes to express its gratitude to the following officers and trustees for services rendered to the Association during their tenure on the Board: Dr. Jay F. Harrington, Jr., trustee, Fifth District; Dr. Linda K. Himmelberger, trustee, Third District; Dr. Vincent U. Rapini, first vice president; Dr. Julio H. Rodriguez, trustee, Ninth District; and Dr. George R. Shepley, trustee, Fourth District.
Appreciation of Employees: The Board of Trustees is pleased to bring to the attention of the House of Delegates 54 members of the Association staff for their years of service.

Forty Years of Service

Tyree Hayden, Finance and Operations

Thirty Five Years of Service

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Twenty Five Years of Service

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David Waldschmidt, Education
Robert Zinn, Finance and Operations

Five Years of Service

Joselyn Arteaga, Education
Cole Chickering, Education
Nominations to Councils: The Board of Trustees annually submits to the House of Delegates nominations for membership to ADA councils. Based on the ADA Governance Manual, the nominees for ADA open positions on the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs and Council on Scientific Affairs were selected by the Board from nominations open to all trustee districts. In addition, with the adoption of Resolution 47H-2017, the composition of each council includes one New Dentist Member recommended by the New Dentist Committee and nominated by the Board of Trustees.

In accordance with a long-standing House directive, the Board is providing a brief narrative on each nominee's qualifications. The Governance Manual, Chapter XVII, Conflict of Interest, requires nominees for Councils to complete a conflict of interest statement and file such statement with the Secretary of the House of Delegates to be made available to the delegates prior to election. Copies are available upon request through the Office of the Executive Director.

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Huong N. Le, California
Jackie Nord, North Dakota
Jessica L. Robertson, Arizona

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*Tanya Sue Maestas, Texas
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Alessandro Villa, California

*New Dentist Member

Resolution

56. Resolved, that the nominees put forward for membership on ADA councils be elected.

Retiring Council, Commission and Committee Members: The Board wishes to acknowledge with appreciation the service of the following council, commission and committee members

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Jessica A. Meeske, Nebraska
Carol M. Morrow, Colorado
Jehan Wakeem, Michigan

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Stephen M. Pitmon, Vermont
Rhett E. Raum, Tennessee
Stephanie B. Weaver, Louisiana

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Steven E. Parker, Ohio

DENTAL ACCREDITATION
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DENTAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS
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Randall C. Markarian, Illinois
*Amrita R. Patel, New York
Hope E. Watson, Tennessee
Walter G. Weber, California

DENTAL EDUCATION AND LICENSURE
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William M. Litaker Jr., North Carolina
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ADA INSTITUTE FOR DIVERSITY AND LEADERSHIP

Program Aims: The 2002 ADA House of Delegates approved the ADA Board’s proposal for an ADA leadership institute designed for:

- Building lifetime relationships with minority dentists;
- Mentoring promising leaders with potential to impact diverse communities; and
- Strengthening alliances with stakeholder institutions, including dental leaders, industry, public and governmental communities of interest.

Leadership Development: During their year-long program, Institute participants have faculty seminars at ADA Headquarters, conference calls with faculty and advisors, and guided experience with individual leadership projects for their dental societies or other community organizations. The program’s faculty are Liz Howard Livingston from Northwestern University’s Kellogg School of Management and Dr. Ashleigh Shelby Rosette from Duke University’s Fuqua School of Business. They have been with the program since its inception. (The Kellogg School is not connected with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.) ADA Leadership Institute videos on ADA CE Online are also a resource. An ADA Connect forum also serves the Institute community along with a project management/communication tool called Basecamp.

Enrollment: Since 2003, the program has admitted 266 dentists (including one dentist sponsored by the Asociación Dental Mexicana). During its July meeting, the ADA Board of Trustees admitted the following new class as recommended by the Board’s Diversity and Inclusion Committee from a competitive field of applicants:

- Ansensi, Gabriela, Coral Gables, FL
- Alvarez, Boris, Bloomfield, NJ
- Bergeron, Brittany, Baltimore, MD
- Bujnoski, Emily, Scottsdale, AZ
- Burdette, Kerin, Waxahachie, TX

*New Dentist Member
Cheek, Nicole, Washington, D.C
Cummings, Zazell, Koezebue, AK
Fleming, Eleanor, Franklin, TN
Lagreca, Gabriela, Framingham, MA
Lee, Austin, San Antonio, TX
Lopez, Esther, Oak Park, IL
Martinsen Seifert, Valerie, LaPorte, IN
Nunez, Natali, Boston, MA
Oubaidin, Maysaa, Chicago, IL
Rathore, Sonali, Glen Allen, VA
Rawal, Kady, Boston, MA
Rodriguez, Nicholas, McAllen, TX
Sergie, Susan, Bethel, AK
Stuefen, Sara, Vinton, IA
Taylor-Bishop, Dorienna, Bowie, MD
White, Lawrence, Chicago, IL

Sponsorship: The ADA Institute for Diversity in Leadership is made possible through the generous support of Henry Schein, Inc. and Crest + Oral B.

Alumni Paths: Institute alumni have gone on to serve as volunteer leaders at the local, state and national levels.

- At the national level, service has included:
  - ADA First Vice President, the ADA Strategic Planning Committee, Council on Membership, Council on Communications, Council on Government Affairs, Council on Advocacy for Access and Prevention, New Dentist Committee, Board of Trustees Standing Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, ADA House of Delegates, and ADA Success Program speakers.
  - Officers and leaders at the national levels of the Society of American Indian Dentists, National Dental Association, Hispanic Dental Association, and American Association of Women Dentists.
- With a variety of state and local dental societies, Institute alumni have served as presidents, council members and chairs, as board members, and as House delegates at the state and local level. In an Institute alumni survey, alumni volunteered to share expertise with dental societies on a wide range of topics in strategic planning, membership development, continuing education, mentoring for students and new dentists, government affairs, access, prevention, and dentists' collaborating with physicians and nurses.
- Over the past several years, alumni have mobilized a growing number dentists from across the country for annual events to serve U.S. military veterans.
- Alumni have also served on boards of community organizations.
STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS OF NOMINEES TO COUNCILS

ADVOCACY FOR ACCESS AND PREVENTION

Conlon, Molly E., Wisconsin, 2025. Dr. Molly Conlon is a third-generation dentist from Wisconsin, and she has recently joined a private practice in her hometown. She obtained her undergraduate degree in social policy with a focus on education and health policy with the intention to assist with access and community issues in dentistry.

Dr. Conlon’s experience has revolved around access issues in medicine and social program creation and implementation with community targeting. She worked as an intern for the Council on Access, Prevention, and Interprofessional Affairs as a college student in 2012 and assisted with Give Kids a Smile Academy and program analysis with grant selection. Her college thesis was based on analysis of this council’s work, Oral Health America, and several other programs and their ability to reach intended populations and improve overall oral health with focus on continuity of care.

Dr. Conlon’s master’s thesis analyzed the epidemiological considerations of Native American oral health and the physical, social, and economic barriers to care in this population. She has spent a considerable amount of time working on several community service projects including Mission of Mercy, veterans groups, senior centers, and pediatric education programs.

Growing up, she consistently observed her father and other practitioners attempting to fill gaps in care in their communities, and it has been her passion since then. She spent the last year working at Froedtert Hospital doing oral surgery treating primarily Medicare, Medicaid, and special needs populations. As the program closed, she experienced first-hand the difficulty her patients had finding new dental providers due to their access, insurance, and special needs requirements, which further instilled in her the need for improved access to affordable, local care. As one of the only facilities in the state, this program’s closing was very difficult for the dental community and has put a considerable burden on the remaining providers available to this group of patients.

While working in a hospital, Dr. Conlon learned to manage dental issues within a large level 1 medical facility, working with patients’ facilities, guardians, families, and primary care or specialist physicians to ensure their care needs were met in the safest, quickest possible manner; and she spent a considerable amount of time on advocacy issues within dentistry, including water fluoridation issues, dental therapy programs, and state health reimbursements. Previously, she advocated for the removal of patient-based licensing exams for the state of Massachusetts and for dental therapy considerations in Vermont.

Although she is a young dentist, Dr. Conlon has considerable experience in organized dentistry as she has been encouraged to participate from a young age. She served on the American Student Dental Association (ASDA) Board of Trustees as the District 1 Trustee and on the ASDA Council on Sessions as a trustee; additionally she served on her dental school’s ASDA executive board for all four years and served in several other roles at the district level prior to trustee.

In 2018, Dr. Conlon served as the ASDA delegate to ADA Annual Session and served on the ADA Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs as the ASDA representative. Throughout her four years, she also served on two Massachusetts Dental Society Councils and as chair of ADEA as well. Dr. Molly Conlon will be an asset to the Council on Advocacy for Access and Prevention.

Fukuoka, Brooke, Idaho, 2022. Dr. Brooke Fukuoka, the owner of Dentist Your Special Smiles PLLC, a mobile/hospital/teledental practice where she focuses on the treatment of adults with special needs and geriatric patients with mobility issues. In addition to her practice, Dr. Fukuoka is also a Federally Qualified Health Center Employee Dentist at Family Health Services Idaho. There, she works with Refugee and Spanish speaking patients. Dr. Fukuoka holds a Bachelor’s of Science in Zoology from Idaho State University, DMD from the University of Louisville, GPR Certificate from the University of Louisville Hospital- University Hospital, and FSCD from Special Care Dental Association. Dr. Fukuoka has also given face-to-face courses on “The Wonderful World of Special Care”, “Who, What, When, Where, How and Why of Silver Diamine Fluoride”, “Updates on Silver Diamine Fluoride”, “Silver Diamine Fluoride/SMART Restorations Choose Your Own Adventure”, “Medical/Dental Integration and Forming
Interdisciplinary Programs in Special Care.” She is also an ADA Success Speaker and District 11 representative to the ADA New Dentist Committee. When not practicing, Dr. Fukouka is a Dental Director with Special Olympics Idaho and the Founder, President of Special Care Dentists of Idaho. This appointment would be Dr. Fukouka’s second term on CAAP.

Le, Huong N., California, 2025. Dr Huong Le is chief dental officer of Asian Health Services (AHS), a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) located in Oakland, California. Dr. Le joined community health centers in 1989. During all these years she has also worked as an associate/consultant for a private practice in northern California. She was a member of the Board of Directors for 16 years and eventually served as president of National Network for Oral Health Access in 2014. Dr. Le was appointed to Dental Board of California in 2009 and served for nine years under three administrations. She is well known not only for her outstanding service through many innovative projects in medical-dental integration, but also for her continuous efforts in advocacy to insure access to care to the underserved at the state and national levels.

Dr. Le’s integration of behavioral health into oral health has been featured in many media sources and afforded her an opportunity to be a speaker at a national Mayor Coalition conference hosted by the First Lady of New York City. Her integration model has also been recognized as best practice by assistant surgeon general, Dr. Tim Ricks and the Health Resources and Services Administration. Besides being active at Alameda County Dental Society, former delegate to California Dental Association and the ADA, Dr. Le serves as a member of the Clinical Practice Committee at National Association of Community Health Centers, an organization representing over 1000 health centers in the country. She also serves on the Clinicians Committee at California Primary Care Association. Dr. Le is very well versed in the Medicaid program in her state where she has served on various workgroups discussing scope of benefits, educational curriculum for providers, program integrity and audits. She has been invited to speak at state and national conferences on Medicaid topics such as private contracting and audits.

Dr. Le’s work in advocacy and access to care for the underserved has earned her many awards and recognitions including an ADA Presidential Citation, American College of Dentists Northern California Fleming Meritorious Award and most recently, the 2020 Myron Allukian Lifetime Achievement Award given by the American Association of Dental Community Programs. At the present, Dr. Le is working with Physicians for Healthy Californians as consultant for their loan repayment program and several other organizations in state on Medicaid health literacy materials to insure the educational materials are appropriate for the patient population. Dr. Le is a Fellow of the American College of Dentists, International College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

Nord, Jackie, North Dakota, 2025. For the past 10 years, Dr. Jackie Nord has served as director of a community based health center in Grand Forks, North Dakota. In that same time frame, she has also served as Flight Commander/Dentist for the North Dakota Air National Guard. In both capacities, Dr. Nord has overseen the providing of care and has served in leadership positions. Her experiences have helped her to develop a knowledge of current health care practices with funding streams, as well as oral health care/disease prevention systems in the private and public sectors. She also has experience providing oral health care to underserved populations. Dr. Nord’s community health center experience and knowledge should lend itself well to the mission of the Council on Advocacy for Access and Prevention.

Robertson, Jessica L., Arizona, 2025. Dr. Jessica Robertson received her dental degree at Oregon Health & Science University in 2004. She received additional training at University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) where she received an advanced degree at UCLA in Pediatric Dentistry, graduating in 2006. She is in private practice in Flagstaff, Arizona.

Dr. Robertson is a strong voice of change serving on the Council of Government Affairs for the Arizona Dental Association since 2014. She is also the sitting secretary/treasurer for the Arizona Dental Association. In addition to her state leadership roles, Dr. Robertson also serves as the chair of the Council of Government Affairs for the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry where she advocates for initiatives that improve access to care.

Dr. Robertson is a strong and vocal leader in District 14 and her experience and talents will serve the
COMMUNICATIONS

Isbell, T. Stotts, Arkansas, 2025. Dr. T. Stotts Isbell has served at all levels in Arkansas State Dental Association and is currently serving as president and serves as an elected alternate delegate. Dr. Isbell has been involved in numerous PR campaigns in Arkansas dentistry to increase membership. Being an early mid-career dentist also serves well for this appointment.

Jackson, Lindsey D., New Hampshire, 2025. Dr. Lindsey Jackson has served five years in New Hampshire Dental Society state executive leadership. Her experience also includes active use of social media platforms, involvement in state strategic planning committee and five New England Dental Leadership Conferences discussing various leadership skills including public affairs and management.

Lewin, Rachel L., Pennsylvania, 2025. Dr. Rachel Lewin is an energetic, enthusiastic new dentist with strong, straightforward communication skills who has practiced general dentistry in suburban Philadelphia since early 2019. She has established herself as a leader with exceptional organizational skills. She is currently serving as the editor of the Montgomery-Bucks Dental Society Bulletin (local) and as an associate editor of the Second District Valley Forge Dental Association Journal (component). Moreover, Dr. Lewin has been elected as a first-time delegate to the 2021 ADA House of Delegates. She is active on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

Maestas, Tanya Sue, Texas, 2022. Dr. Tanya Sue Maestas is a 2018 graduate from the University of Texas Health Science Center School of Dentistry. During dental school, Dr. Maestas served as National ASDA President and the University of Texas School of Dentistry at Houston’s ASDA President. Leading up to these roles, she served on the National ASDA Communications Committee where she hosted a variety of events, webinars, and programming to connect with the general membership. She currently attends AT Still University College of Graduate Health Studies where she will receive her Master of Public Health. Simultaneously, she serves as the Director and Social Media Manager for the El Paso District Dental Society where she helps manage the communications of the society. The recipient of numerous honors and awards including the ASDA Award of Excellence and the Texas Dental Association Outstanding Senior Dental Student Award, Dr. Maestas has also completed the ADA Institute for Diversity in Leadership and currently serves as an ADA Success speaker. This appointment marks Dr. Maestas’ first term as the new dentist member to CC.

Raum, Rhett E., Tennessee, 2025. Dr. Rhett Raum has served on the Council on Communications since being elected to the Council by the 2019 House of Delegates. He is eligible to be elected to serve a full four-year term (2021-2025). He has represented the Sixth District and the ADA in an exemplary fashion and is re-nominated to continue his work and experience for the Association.

DENTAL BENEFIT PROGRAMS

Andrew, John Luke, Colorado, 2022. Dr. John Luke Andrew received a Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine in 2018. Upon completion, Dr. Andrew went on to receive his Certificate of Postdoctoral Training in 2019. During dental school he served as the ASDA liaison to the Council on Dental Benefit Programs where he provided the student perspective on discussions pertaining to ADA initiatives. Currently, Dr. Andrew is a partner at Comfort Dental Green Mountain and serves as volunteer faculty in the department of surgical dentistry at the University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine. This is Dr. Andrew’s first appointment to CDBP.

Carrington, Adrian J., California, 2025. Dr. Adrian Carrington received his dental education at Howard University, College of Dentistry, graduating 1988 with a doctor of dental surgery degree and was admitted to the Omicron Kappa Upsilon dental honor society. He subsequently completed a general practice residency at Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, where he gained extensive experience working in clinical settings with multiple doctors and support staff. While in residency, Dr. Carrington also gleaned experience in hospital-based multidisciplinary complex case dentistry. He treated patients for dental pathologies and complications which required in-patient and out-patient services as well as
operating room services. He specifically chose this residency because there were no specialist residents. The clinical treatment and case management was squarely on the shoulders of the general practice resident dentists, who were supervised by specialist attending staff. This also afforded Dr. Carrington hands-on experience and insight into managing the daily schedules and on-call emergency schedules of multiple dentists. Employee reviews of the assistants and other clinic support staff was conducted with the input of the residents. This provided an environment for employee-management training. Since that time, he has had countless hours of continuing education in practice management, staff development and training.

In addition, Dr. Carrington has been fortunate over the course of his dental career to have received training in a variety of leadership development workshops. He has been very active in the tripartite of the American Dental Association (ADA), California Dental Association (CDA) and the Sacramento District Dental Society (SDDS). He has attended several of the CDA leadership development programs and workshops, which are designed to develop leadership skills and groom volunteers who have been identified as future leaders.

Dr. Carrington has had experience in the growth and management of organizations outside his personal practice of dentistry and CDA. He was the president of the Sacramento Chapter of the National Dental Association (SCNDA) and was instrumental in revitalizing the SCND; making their voices count at the national level. As president of the SCND, Dr. Carrington was the facilitator and organizer of monthly meetings. He saw the advent of the annual scholarship golf tournament, which is the premier fund-raising event and has grown to include the physicians of the local National Medical Association.

Dr. Carrington was chairman of the Sacramento District Dental Society, Peer Review Committee for two years and served on the CDA Peer Review Council for three years. During that time, he was involved in revising the peer review manual, updating policies and procedures, doing the early work of centralizing the state-wide process of peer review and fielding all appeals cases for the State. This afforded him experience in analyzing and solving complex and potentially litigious problems as well as critically assessing and improving statewide peer review policy documents. Subsequently, he wrote the Peer Review chapter of the 2010 Policy and Procedures Manual of the California Department of Correction and Rehabilitation (CDCR). He also developed and coded the scoring metrics for the peer review grading and reporting process for CDCR.

Dr. Carrington was employed by CDCR for twelve (12) years. The first ten years of employment was as a Regional Headquarters dentist. In that capacity, he had a pivotal role in guiding the Dental Department out of the Perez Law Suit and establishing performance metrics, sanctioned by the court, which are currently being utilized to measure the performance of each clinic. He was the Regional Dental Director, Region I, for his last two years with the State. In that capacity, he lead a team of four dentists, four dental assistants and three administrative staff members. Their charge was to ensure the dental clinics in the nine institutions of their charge were performing, meeting and/or exceeding the metrics established. They were responsible for trouble shooting and problem solving for each institution dental clinic leadership, assisting with staff hiring, equipment issues, scheduling concerns and patient complaints to name a few.

Dr. Carrington also brings inherent and learned skills which have been instrumental in his success as a leader and as a manager. He has an approachable personality, which has served him well in communicating with his subordinates and peers. This allows for a transparent management style which fosters trust in the work environment. He has the ability to motivate staff and provide a low stress work environment. He has been blessed with the ability to quickly comprehend information and convert it to action. This has been a tremendous asset in his clinical and management development. He values the input of his peers and subordinates when making decisions. This approach allows all involved to become a part of the process and to play a more productive role. Dr. Carrington has proven himself to be an able meeting facilitator and able to keep participants on task, an aspect of his character, which continues to be developed as he progresses in his career.

Jolliff, Susan D., Texas, 2025. Dr. Susan Jolliff has held numerous positions within both her local component and at the constituent level which more than qualifies her for the Council on Dental Benefit Programs. She served as a consultant for four years to the Texas Dental Association (TDA) Committee...
Dr. Tanguay is an exceptional individual who won the 10 Under 10 New Dentist Award two years ago and has just completed his term as Montana State Dental Association President. He is a 2010 Graduate from the University of Washington School of Dentistry. He has been an alternate delegate to the ADA House of Delegates for three years. During dental school Dr. Tanguay was the chair of the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Council of Students from 2009 to 2010 and President of the ADEA Student Chapter from 2006 to 2009. He taught high school biology from 2001 to 2006 prior to dental school. Dr. Tanguay is involved as a speaker on radiography, fluoride, caring for the aging and Medicare. His volunteer record is impressive: Dental Lifeline, oral screening and sealant programs in the schools, emergency care for the homeless and he spent three weeks in Bethel, Alaska, in 2007 as a volunteer assistant. He won first and third places at the CASE presentation competition at the University of Washington and won the Pierre Fauchard Academy Senior Student Award. He is also involved with the Mountaineers winning an award from the American Alpine Club. With all this behind him he is still one of the most genuine and humble dentists one would have the pleasure to meet.
Usman, Najia, Ohio, 2025. Dr. Najia Usman is an endodontist in private practice in Medina, Ohio. She will be a delegate at the 2021 ADA House of Delegates meeting and has served as an ADA delegate and alternate delegate in previous years as well.

Dr. Usman is the past secretary of the Ohio Dental Association (ODA) and past president of the Medina County Dental Society. As a former officer of the ODA from 2018 to 2020, she dealt with multiple issues related to dental education, licensure and testing. In addition, Dr. Usman served on the ODA Council on Membership’s Faculty and Student Relations Working Group in 2017-2018. She also has served as a guest lecturer with Oregon Health and Sciences University and Case Western Reserve University School of Dental Medicine.

She is a current member of the ODA’s Annual Session Committee and Judicial Affairs Subcommittee and is a guest editorial columnist for ODA Today. Dr. Usman has served in many capacities at the ODA, including as former chair of the Council on Membership Services, former liaison to the Council on Dental Care Programs and Dental Practice, former member of the Finance Committee, and former member of the Task Force on Diversity and Inclusion.

DENTAL PRACTICE

Fried, David L., Connecticut, 2025. Dr. David Fried is from Connecticut and has served both his state and district in many capacities. He has served the Connecticut State Dental Association on various councils including dental benefits and legislation as well as Connecticut Dental Political Action Committee, many times culminating as chair. He also served as president in 2016. He holds a teaching position in general dentistry at University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine where he attended dental school. He also served in the United States Air Force as a general dentist. He has been an ADA delegate since 2016 and currently serves ADA District One as chair of the District Task Force on House of Delegates Engagement.

Korch, Michael J., Pennsylvania, 2025. Dr. Michael Korch has a breadth of knowledge and experience which he brings to this position, having practiced as a general dentist for twelve years before returning to graduate school to specialize in endodontics. He now practices endodontics, as well as teaching part-time in the Department of Endodontics at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine. He is committed to the health and well-being of patients, other dentists and dental team members. Dr. Korch has a history of community involvement, having volunteered at both Give Kids a Smile Day for his school district and MOM-n-PA (Dental Missions of Mercy). Dr. Korch is dedicated to lifelong learning, as evidenced by his pursuit of and attainment of Mastership in the Academy of General Dentistry. He has been a leader for both his local and district dental societies and is currently serving as president of the Dental Society of Western Pennsylvania.

Ricci, Shane A., Texas, 2025. Dr. Shane Ricci has held numerous positions both at his local component, serving as its president in 2017-2018. He continues to serve at the constituent level serving on the Texas Dental Association’s Council on Dental Education, Trade and Ancillaries, a council that deals with issues that affect the practice of dentistry including serving on the Teledentistry Subcommittee, a subject that the Council on Dental Practice has been actively involved with over the last several years. Dr. Ricci brings a plethora of experience with him as the range of his experiences are wide and all-encompassing as he has served as chair of the ADA reference committee that dealt with eldercare, and currently serves on the Texas Dental Association Council on Dental Licensing, Standards and Education as a consultant. Dr. Ricci maintains a large multi dentist practice in Frisco, Texas that embraces the small group practice model. He also brings with him experience in dealing with DSO dentistry. His expertise would be a tremendous asset to the Council on Dental Practice.

Saba, Michael, New Jersey, 2025. Dr. Michael Saba has been an active member of organized dentistry since attending Temple University Kornberg School of Dentistry beginning in 2010. He has served on the New Dentist Committee from 2015 to 2018, served as new dentist member of the Council on Dental Practice in 2018 and 2019, and currently serves on the New Jersey Political Action Committee Board (2018-present). He is a general dentist owning a private practice.
Wright, ArNelle, Florida, 2022. As a Doctor of Dental Medicine graduate from the University of Florida in 2017, Dr. ArNelle Wright is a general dentist at Coast Dental and Orthodontics where she provides comprehensive and emergent treatment to patients all while serving as an Admissions Committee Member at the University of Florida College of Dentistry. There, Dr. Wright participates in the admissions cycle kickoff, application review, and interviews potential dental students. During dental school, Dr. Wright served as the National Regional Director of Communications and the local Vice President in 2015-2016. Dr. Wright is the 17th District ADA New Dentist Committee member. This appointment marks Dr. Wright’s first term to CDP.

ETHICS BYLAWS AND JUDICIAL AFFAIRS

Foster, Karen D., Colorado, 2025. Dr. Karen Foster received her dental degree at Baylor College of Dentistry followed by advance training at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in Houston (2002), where she received her Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry (2004). Dr. Foster is in private practice as well as being a clinical associate professor at the School of Dental Medicine at the University of Colorado in Denver.

She is a past president of the Colorado Dental Association (2018-2019) and is the current regent for District 14 for the International College of Dentists. She also serves on the leadership ladder at her local component—Metro Denver Dental Society.

Dr. Foster continues to be a well-respected and balanced leader at all levels of our profession. She has a keen eye for detail and is a strong advocate for always doing what is right, even when it might not be popular.

Grant, Leslie E., Maryland, 2025. Dr. Leslie Grant will be an outstanding nominee for the ADA Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs. She has a wealth of experience in governance, ethics, and the dental association world. She will also be representative of our diverse membership.

Some examples of Dr. Grant’s experience include serving the National Dental Association as president in 2006, speaker of the house from 1999 to 2003 and Constitution and Bylaws Committee from 1994 to 2000, including chair (1997-1998). She also served the Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention as chair of its Board of Directors (2012-2013) and on the Bylaws Committee (2015-2017) including as chair (2015-2016). Dr. Grant serves on the Dr. Edward Shils Entrepreneurial Fund Board of Directors Governance Committee (2018-present) and served as chair of the DentaQuest Foundation Governance Committee (2016-2017).

Presentations that Dr. Grant has given include “Navigating Through Politics, Policy and Regulation” for the National Dental Association in July 2016 and “Ethical Considerations and Infections Control” for the Society of American Indian Dentist in July 2015. She also wrote an article titled “Ethical Oral Health Care and Infection Control,” which was published in the Journal of Dental Education in May 2015.

Mellion, Alex, Ohio, 2022. Dr. Alex Mellion, a member of the American Dental Association, Ohio Dental Association, Akron Dental Society, Stark County Dental Society, and Ohio Dental Political Action Committee, and received his Orthodontics, Master of Science in Dentistry from the Center for Advanced Dental Education. A practice owner, Dr. Mellion opened Mellion Orthodontics upon graduation. The recipient of Case Western Reserve School of Dental Medicine Outstanding New Dentist Award, Craniofacial Team Fellow and Barnes Jewish Hospital, and Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit Honors Society inductee, Dr. Mellion is a volunteer instructor at Case Western Reserve University Department of Orthodontics, and lecturer at Summa Health GPR Orthodontic Lectures. He is the District 7 representative to the ADA New Dentist Committee. This is his second appointment as the new dentist member to CEBJA.

Roth, Kelly A., Ohio, 2025. Dr. Kelly Roth is a general dentist in private practice in Canton, Ohio. Nationally, she has been a member of the National Association of Parliamentarians since 2009 and at the ADA she has served as a delegate in 2020 and as an alternate delegate in 2015, 2018 and 2019.

Dr. Roth is a past chair of the Ohio Dental Association (ODA) Ethics Subcommittee, and was responsible for promoting the highest ethical standards and educating ODA members about the ADA.
Principles of Ethics and Code of Professional Conduct, as well as reviewing and mediating ethical complaints received about members. Dr. Roth is also the past chair of the ODA Credentials, Rules and Order Committee, and was responsible for the conduct of elections at the ODA House of Delegates meeting as well as ensuring the order of business was carried out effectively during the annual governance meeting. Additionally, she is a former member of the ODA Council on Membership Services and ADA Leadership Nomination Committee.

Dr. Roth is a past president of the Stark County Dental Society and held various positions within the society, including as chair of the Membership Services Council, chair of the Long Range Planning Committee, chair of the Necrology Subcouncil and member of the Dental Education and Programs group.

Serchuk, Richard, New York, 2025. Dr. Richard Serchuk has been a member of the ADA since 1982. Dr. Serchuk maintained a position on the New York State Dental Association (NYSDA) Council of Ethics for 22 years in two separate components of the New York State Dental Association. He served as council chair 2013-2015. He has continued his service on his component Ethics Committee in Nassau County, New York.

Dr. Serchuk was instrumental in reviewing and updating the NYSDA Code of Ethics, and continues to lecture on ethics and dental forensics locally and nationally. Dr. Serchuk has sustained a great reputation of fairness and a non-biased ability in deliberating ethical misconduct hearings and is well respected by members of our profession everywhere. Dr. Serchuk will represent the membership with the highest standards and flourish on the Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs given his experiences throughout his career.

West, Debra S., Nebraska, 2024. In June 2021, Dr. Debra West was appointed ad interim to replace Dr. Valerie Peckosh as a member of the Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs. Dr. West is nominated to complete the unexpired term of Dr. Peckosh, which expires at the close of the 2024 House of Delegates. Dr. West served as speaker of the House of Delegates for the Nebraska Dental Association for ten years. In that role, she was responsible for ensuring that the conduct of business was carried out according to parliamentary procedure and in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the Association. During those 10 years, Dr. West demonstrated a judicious and non-biased temperament during deliberations before the House. Among the delegates, leadership and staff of the association, Dr. West earned a reputation for fairness and sound judgment. Dr. West has also served as president of the Omaha District Dental Society and the Nebraska Dental Association. She has also served as a delegate to the ADA House of Delegates.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Chamberlain, Darren D., Utah, 2025. Dr. Darren Chamberlain completed his dental training at Virginia Commonwealth University (2002), followed by a Pediatric Dental Residency at New York University (2004). He has been in private practice in Springville, Utah, since 2004.

Dr. Chamberlain has attended multiple Washington Leadership Conferences/Dentist/Student Lobby Days over the years and has been a strong advocate for issues pertaining to private practice, as well as those pertaining to access to care.

He is a recent past president of the Utah Dental Association and helped Utah negotiate through the COVID-19 pandemic. He has been a member of the 14th District delegation for several years—most recently chairing the subcommittee on Dental Education, Science and Related Matters. He is known throughout the District and beyond as a strong, vocal leader with excellent communication skills.

Erickson, Doug, Minnesota, 2025. Dr. Doug Erickson has had significant experience with the legislative process at the state level in Minnesota. From tracking and shepherding legislation to lobbying for dentistry in Minnesota (Minnesota Lobby Day), Dr. Erickson understands the process of how legislation becomes law. His understanding demeanor, ability to actively listen, administrative skills, military experience and decision making capabilities should make him an excellent addition to the Council on Government Affairs.

Feldman, Steven G., Washington, D.C., 2022. Private practice owner and general practice dentist at the Spanish Catholic Center, Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., Dr. Steven G. Feldman is a 2017 graduate of
the University of Maryland School of Dentistry. A former Student Ambassador and Research Fellow, Dr. Feldman has engaged in networking with other dentists, dental students, and healthcare professionals. The 2019 recipient of AGD Region 5 James G. Richeson, Jr. Leadership Scholarship Award, Dr. Feldman has articles featured in AGD Impact, ASDA Contour, ASDA News, and General Dentistry, the Peer-Reviewed Journal of the AGD. Dr. Feldman has also done presentations on Direct-To-Consumer Dentistry at the AGD Advocacy Conference, and How to Involve Young Dentists in Advocacy and Framework for an Effective Testimony at the AGD Midlevel Provider Conference. He has participated in ADA and Student Lobby Day and is actively involved in legislative activities. Dr. Feldman is the District 4 representative to the ADA New Dentist Committee. He also serves as the 2020 new dentist representative on the CE Committee for CDEL; this is his second appointment to CGA.

Kent, Leigh W., Alabama, 2024. In April 2021, Dr. Leigh Kent was appointed ad interim to replace Dr. Gregory Goggans as a member of the Council on Government Affairs. Dr. Kent is nominated to complete the unexpired term of Dr. Goggans, which expires at the close of the 2024 House of Delegates. Dr. Leigh Kent is a periodontist in solo practice in Birmingham, Alabama. She has served as an ADA delegate and has an excellent understanding of the ADA’s council structure and reporting requirements to the House of Delegates. She currently serves on the Alabama Dental Association Political Action Committee Board of Directors and the Candidate Selection Committee. Dr. Kent is politically astute and is an active supporter financially of the Alabama Dental Political Action Committee of the Alabama Dental Association.

Roberts, John R., Indiana, 2025. Dr. John Roberts is a career long member of organized dentistry and has served in leadership at the national, state and local level. His primary passion has been in the area of governmental affairs. He is a past president of the Indiana Dental Association (IDA) and served as chair of the IDA Council on Governmental Affairs for 13 years. He continues to serve on the IDA Council on Governmental Affairs, and as an IDA legislative contact dentist. He also serves as an ADA Action Team Leader and lobby day volunteer at the state and national level.

Tauberg, James A.H., Pennsylvania, 2025. Throughout his professional career, Dr. James Tauberg, an oral surgeon practicing in Pittsburgh, has been active at all levels of the tripartite. He has served on the ADA Council on Communications and as a liaison from that Council to the Council on Dental Practice. He has capably served on various local and state committees which focused on third party payer, scope of practice and workforce issues. Dr. Tauberg has served on a number of boards of both professional and civic organizations, including exemplary service as the president of the Pennsylvania Dental Association during the year of COVID-19. At the onset of the pandemic, he rallied and led a broad-based coalition of dental organizations, including the Pennsylvania Academy of General Dentistry, Pennsylvania Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, Pennsylvania Dental Hygiene Association, Pennsylvania Dental Association Political Action Committee, and the deans of Pennsylvania’s three dental schools, to advocate with the legislature, the Governor and the Department of Health for dentists return to work, for the authority to administer vaccines, and for prioritization of dentists, dental hygienists and dental students to be classified as 1A to receive the vaccine.

Prior to the pandemic, he was actively involved with lobbying efforts relating to third party payer issues, most notably Assignment of Benefits legislation and has a broad-based knowledge of the issues facing the profession. In addition, Dr. Tauberg has reliably contributed to ADPAC and the Pennsylvania Dental Association Political Action Committee. He is an effective, inclusive, passionate spokesperson who advocates tirelessly and effectively on behalf of the profession and the patients we serve.

MEMBER INSURANCE AND RETIREMENT PROGRAMS, COUNCIL ON MEMBERSHIP

Briggs, Stephanie R., Texas, 2022. Stephanie Briggs graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University in 2008 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology where she received her Doctor of Dental Surgery at Texas A&M University Baylor College of Dentistry, graduating in 2016. During dental school, she was involved with ASDA at the local, district, and national level serving as the liaison in the Council on Advocacy. Following dental school, she went on to complete her Master of Science in Oral Biology, receiving her graduate certificate in Periodontics in 2019. During this time, she served as Chief Resident where she coordinated lunch and learns with dental and surgical suppliers and coordinated applicant interviews. Currently, Dr. Briggs is enrolled at the University of Arizona School of Medicine Integrative
Medicine Fellowship where she will received her IMF Certificate in Integrative Medicine while advocating for the ADA Student Disability Plan. This is Dr. Briggs’s first appointment to CMIRP.

Ghareeb, Sami M., West Virginia, 2023. In November 2021, Dr. Sami Ghareeb was appointed ad interim to serve in a position on the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs that had been vacated shortly before the 2020 House of Delegates meeting, when a nominee for the 2020-2023 term withdrew their nomination. Dr. Ghareeb is nominated to complete the remainder of the term for this position, which expires at the close of the 2023 House of Delegates. Dr. Sami Ghareeb has been a longstanding member of the American Dental Association and has been active in the small constituent of West Virginia for his career. His crossover talent has been shared at the national level with other organizations of which he is a member. Dr. Ghareeb has built a very successful general dental practice and has mentored four dentists within his family, some of which are his children and others which are spouses of his children. Three other children and/or their spouses are physicians and two are dental hygienists. Professionalism at its highest level is a core value within his family.

Dr. Ghareeb is a sharing and philanthropic individual. Much of his success is from prudent financial planning and attention. His family of dentists manage three practice locations. Dr. Ghareeb is still an active practitioner and sees dentistry clearly through the eyes of the multigenerational professionals with which he associates. His intimate association with this variety of ages of dentists gives him a unique perspective on the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs and insight into how our younger colleagues feel about insurance and retirement issues.

Jacob, Hubert J., Jr., Ohio, 2024. Dr. Hubert Jacob will have completed one three-year term on the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs at the close of the 2021 House of Delegates and is eligible to serve a second three-year term on the Council. Dr. Jacob is a retired, general dentist in Cincinnati, Ohio. He has a strong background in the finances of component and state dental associations and is knowledgeable about insurance and retirement planning as well.

As stated above Dr. Jacob is a current member of the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs and his first three-year term concludes in 2021. He is an excellent candidate to serve a second three-year term on the Council. He has also previously served as an alternate delegate to the ADA House of Delegates.

At the Ohio Dental Association (ODA), Dr. Jacob previously served as treasurer and as a member of the Finance Committee, and he is a former chair of the Ohio Dental Association Services Corp, which oversees the multitude of insurance products available to ODA members. He participated in the creation of the Ohio Dental Association Wellness Trust, which provides health insurance benefits to dentists, their employees and dependents. At the Cincinnati Dental Society, he served as president and served on the Society’s Finance Committee and Insurance Committee.

Sokolowski, Joseph E., Missouri, 2024. Dr. Joseph Sokolowski will have completed one three-year term on the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs at the close of the 2021 House of Delegates and is eligible to serve a second three-year term on the Council. Dr. Sokolowski has served the 6th District and the ADA in an exemplary fashion and it is intended that he be reappointed to continue his work. Dr. Sokolowski brings experience and passion to this Council.

Wood, C. Rieger, III, Oklahoma, 2024. Dr. C. Rieger Wood will have completed one three-year term on the Council on Members Insurance and Retirement Programs at the close of the 2021 House of Delegates and is eligible to serve a second three-year term on the Council. He would be invaluable as a resource in serving a second term. He serves in many capacities in Oklahoma and excels in all.

MEMBERHSIP

Atarod, Ensy A., Texas, 2025. Dr. Ensy Atarod has been a tremendous asset to the Texas Dental Association since she became a member. She has served on the ADA Institute for Diversity in Leadership and has been an active member on the Texas Dental Association’s Membership Committee for five years. She is a young dentist that is living in Austin, one of the fastest growing cities in Texas and her component dental society, Capital Area Dental Society (CADS), is a great example of the type of
component that encourages young dentists to become involved. Dr. Atarod is also an active mentor in the dental community, having received the James R. Fricke, Jr. Mentoring Award.

Bijoor, Renuka R., New York, 2025. Dr. Renuka Bijoor has been involved in all aspects of membership at the local and state levels. She first served as chairperson for the New Dentist Committee for the Ninth District Dental Association in New York, and transitioned from there to the Membership and Communications Committee, a position that she continues to hold. She represents her district at New York State Dental Association (NYSDA) Membership Council where she was vice-chair and then chair representing the entire Second Trustee District.

Dr. Bijoor has worked tirelessly to recruit and retain members over the past eight years. In addition to organizing several events to engage new dentists, residents, and students, her home district held the first ever event to directly engage the program director and the residents at WMC, which paved the way for many more such events. She has also made many efforts in retaining existing members in all career times by expressing gratitude for their loyalty and focusing on their needs. During the pandemic, she took the initiative to organize frequent town halls where member dentists could air their concerns, their fears, and their frustrations. We, as leaders, could help resolve their issues and that friendly approach was welcome to many of our members.

Dr. Bijoor set up a flagship event “Frills and Drills”, celebrating women dentists that has continued and this year was the sixth one held. This is an immensely popular event. Dr. Bijoor has been an important and influential contact with the opening of the new Dental School at Touro College from the very first days it opened. As an ADA GKAS Ambassador, and with the support of Dean Myers, she started a collaborative GKAS event cohosted by Touro and the Ninth District Dental Association and now is a completely self-running event.

Membership continues to be the backbone of our ADA and Dr. Bijoor will always strive to increase our numbers. She will be an excellent addition and resource to the Council on Membership.

Kunzman, Nathaniel W., Colorado, 2025. Dr. Nate Kunzman achieved concurrently both a dental degree and Masters of Business Administration degree at Temple University, graduating in 2010. He then trained at Albert Einstein Medical Center in a GPR program where he was chief resident for his second year. He completed his GPR training in 2012.

Dr. Kunzman is in private practice in Greeley, Colorado. He chaired the Colorado Dental Association’s Membership committee from 2017 to 2020. Colorado was recognized for many innovative programs that boosted some of the strongest membership growth for a state of its size under his leadership.

Dr. Kunzman is currently president of the Colorado Dental Association and will serve in this role until June 2022. Dr. Kunzman has proven himself within the State of Colorado as well as the Fourteenth District to be an innovative, strong and vocal leader who is not afraid to challenge the status quo. He most recently chaired the District Committee on Budget, Business, Membership and Administrative Matters.

Tiersky, Terri S., Illinois, 2025. Dr. Terri Tiersky served as 2020 president of Chicago Dental Society (CDS) and was general chair of the CDS Midwinter Meeting in 2011. She is an experienced state volunteer and has been an Illinois State Dental Society (ISDS) trustee and delegate at the ISDS House. She has served as liaison to both ISDS and CDS Membership committees; Dr. Tiersky is well-versed in both state and local dental society member resources and has been actively engaged in membership recruitment and retention.

In her high-stakes roles in CDS—the largest component society in the ADA—Dr. Tiersky gained a broad understanding of how critical-to-mission it is to address the diverse needs and expectations of all dentists to build membership (and meeting attendance—in the case of CDS, the Midwinter Meeting is its #1 member benefit). She is a past ADA council representative, having served on the Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs from 2007 to 2011 and has been a member of the 8th District’s ADA delegation more than a dozen times. Dr. Tiersky welcomes this opportunity to once again serve the ADA.
Youel, Benjamin C., Illinois, 2022. Dr. Youel earned his D.D.S. from the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) and was inducted into the Omicron Kappa Upsilon honor society just before graduation. He completed a General Practice Residency at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center a year later. After practicing for two years, he came back to UIC to start his orthodontic residency, where he graduated in May 2019. Upon graduation, Dr. Youel went on to practice Orthodontics at Grayslake Orthodontics and North Shore Center of Dental Health. He is an active member of the American Dental Association, Illinois State Dental Association and Chicago Dental Society. Dr. Youel will complete his term as the 8th District representative to the ADA New Dentist Committee in 2021 and is also a Chicago AGD Officer with the Academy of General Dentistry, New Dentist Committee Member in Illinois State Dental Society, and Membership Committee Member with Chicago Dental Society. A 2017 American College of Dentists Fellow, Dr. Youel is a regular volunteer at Chicago Dental Society Foundation Clinic and a member of the American Dental Political Action Committee, Delta Sigma Delta International Dental Fraternity – Rho Chapter, Omicron Kappa Upsilon Honor Society – Sigma Chapter, and American Association of Orthodontics. This appointment marks Dr. Youel’s third term with the Council on Membership.

SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS

Da Costa, Juliana, Oregon, 2025. Dr. Juliana da Costa received her D.D.S. degree from the Universidade Paulista School of Dentistry in Sao Paulo, Brazil in 2001, and her certificate and M.S. degree in operative dentistry from the University of Iowa in 2004.

Dr. da Costa has an extensive research background, including participation in 21 grants (14 of which she was principal investigator), and more than 23 articles in peer-reviewed journals. Her research interests include composite development, polishing, tooth whitening and non-surgical caries treatment.

Dr. da Costa joined the Restorative Dentistry Department faculty at Oregon Health and Science University School of Dentistry in 2004, where she currently serves as vice chair, professor and preclinical director. She splits her time between clinical research, teaching and patient care. Dr. da Costa is passionate about her students and their development within the profession, and she developed a program to assist students who need additional help with restorative coursework.

Dr. da Costa is an ADA consultant and currently sits on the Council on Scientific Affairs ADA Clinical Evaluators (ACE) Panel Oversight Subcommittee, assisting in the development of ACE Panel reports, which are published quarterly in the Journal of the American Dental Association. She has been an enthusiastic member of the Subcommittee and a valuable voice in the area of restorative dentistry.

Duong, Mai-Ly, Arizona, 2022. As an Associate Professor at A.T. Still University, Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health and an Associate Dentist at a dental office in Phoenix, Arizona, Dr. Duong has experience in all general dentistry procedures, including CAD/CAM dentistry, implant dentistry, periodontal hard tissue and soft tissue surgical procedures, and special care dentistry. Outside of her faculty appointment and practice setting, Dr. Duong is an active volunteer at the state and national level, and has served as the New Dentist Member to the Council on Scientific Affairs since 2020 where she is also a contributor to the ACE Panel Oversight Subcommittee and the CSA Self-Assessment Workgroup. Currently, Dr. Duong serves as the President of the Arizona Academy of General Dentistry and is the editor of their quarterly publication, “The Whole Tooth”. In 2018, Dr. Duong was named an ADA 10 Under 10 Award winner and received the ADA New and Emergent Speaker Series at the ADA Annual Meeting.

Fouad, Ashraf F., Alabama, 2025. Dr. Ashraf Fouad is an endodontist who has served as tenure-track or tenured professor in five dental schools in the U.S. with a career focused on education, research and service. After receiving his B.D.S. from Cairo University, he went on to obtain a Certificate in Endodontics, M.S., and D.D.S. from the University of Iowa.

Dr. Fouad has been a successful researcher with many National Institutes of Health (NIH) and non-NIH grants, numerous publications and presentations, and extensive prior service on research and organized dentistry groups. He has also contributed to—and participated with—several national and international groups on generating guidelines, position papers and status reports.

Dr. Fouad’s expertise includes aspects of endodontic research in microbiology, pain, antibiotics and the relationship of oral and systemic disease. He has previously participated as consultant to the Council
on Scientific Affairs for generating the systematic review and guidelines on the use of antibiotics for dental pain and infections.

MacDonnell, William A., Connecticut, 2025. Dr. William MacDonnell received his D.D.S. from Georgetown, followed by an anesthesiology residency and fellowship (neuro-anesthesiology) at the University of Pittsburgh. He served as a staff anesthesiologist/assistant professor at the John Dempsey University Hospital, University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine and School of Medicine prior to entering private practice. Since then, he has spent more than forty years in private practice, with extensive clinical experience in dental anesthesia. He currently teaches at the University of Connecticut, and previously taught at Tufts School of Dental Medicine.

Dr. MacDonnell has extensive experience in organized dentistry. He currently serves as the president of the Connecticut Society of Dental Anesthesiologists and in addition to various memberships and positions in state and national associations he was previously president of both the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists and the Connecticut State Dental Association. He is a current consultant for the ADA Council on Scientific Affairs.

In 2009, Dr. MacDonnell was awarded the Leonard M. Monheim Distinguished Service Award from the American Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists for his outstanding contributions to the discipline of anesthesiology. Dr. MacDonnell is passionate and knowledgeable about the clinical experience and is a fierce advocate for furthering the profession of dental anesthesiology.

Villa, Alessandro, California, 2025. Dr. Alessandro Villa is a board-certified specialist in oral medicine with recognition for his clinical expertise in oral complications of cancer therapy and HPV prevention. He received his D.D.S and Ph.D. in Italy and completed his residency in oral medicine at Harvard School of Dental Medicine (HSDM)/Brigham and Women’s Hospital (BWH) in Boston in 2013. To complement his oral medicine training, Dr. Villa also completed a Masters Degree in Dental Public Health at A.T. Still University.

Before joining University of California San Francisco (UCSF), Dr. Villa spent six years as an associate surgeon in the Division of Oral Medicine and Dentistry at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston. He has taught in both the clinical and classroom settings, including time spent as an assistant professor and program director for the Oral Medicine Residency and Oral Oncology Fellowship at Harvard School of Dental Medicine; and an assistant professor in oral medicine at Boston University (BU) Henry Goldman School of Dental Medicine from 2013 to 2014, where he implemented a new oral medicine clinic, which focused on treatment of oral mucosal diseases, salivary gland disorders and oral complications from cancer therapy.

Dr. Villa has a demonstrated research background, which is currently focused on oropharyngeal cancers and the role of HPV involvement in tumor development. As a National Cancer Institute-NIH post-doctoral fellow he gained valuable research experience on the epidemiology of oral human papillomavirus (HPV) infection; and screening and natural history of head and neck cancers. He is currently collaborating with researchers from UCSF, New York University, Harvard Medical School and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute to develop a predictive model for oropharyngeal cancer, and to increase HPV awareness among dental and medical providers. At Harvard, he was a co-primary investigator on a phase II clinical trial testing the safety and effectiveness of nivolumab in the management of proliferative verrucous leukoplakia. The study is a collaboration among medical oncologists, oral medicine specialists and pathologists.

Dr. Villa has been an active and engaged contributor to the Council on Scientific Affairs as a consultant. He has provided meaningful contributions to ADA members through his work on HPV research, and currently serves as the ADA spokesperson on HPV and oral cancer.
Resolution No. 56 
Report: Board Report 1 
Date Submitted: July 2021 
Submitted By: Board of Trustees 
Reference Committee: Board Report 1/Credentials, Rules and Order 
Total Net Financial Implication: None 
Net Dues Impact: 
Amount One-time 
Amount On-going 
ADA Strategic Plan Objective: None 
How does this resolution increase member value: Not Applicable 

**NOMINATIONS TO COUNCILS**

**Background:** (See page 1006 for qualifications of nominees)

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Resolution

56. Resolved, that the nominees put forward for membership on ADA councils be elected.

BOARD RECOMMENDATION: Vote Yes.

BOARD VOTE: UNANIMOUS.
NOTES
Resolution No. 98-101 New

Report: Credentials, Rules and Order Date Submitted: September 2021

Submitted By: Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order

Reference Committee: N/A

Total Net Financial Implication: None Net Dues Impact: 

Amount One-time Amount On-going

ADA Strategic Plan Objective: None

How does this resolution increase member value: Not Applicable

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS, RULES AND ORDER

Background: In accordance with the Manual of the House of Delegates and Supplemental Information, section “Standing Committees of the House of Delegates,” the Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order of the House of Delegates is charged with the following duties:

It is the duty of the Committee to present the agenda and recommend for approval such rules as are necessary for the conduct of the business of the House of Delegates. The report of this committee is prepared in collaboration with the officers of the House of Delegates and is presented at the opening of the first meeting of the House. In addition, this Committee has the duty to conduct hearings and to make recommendations on the eligibility of delegates and alternate delegates to a seat in the House of Delegates when a seat is contested, maintains a continuous roll call and periodically reports on the roll call to the House of Delegates, determines the presence of a quorum and supervises voting and election procedures. The Committee also has the responsibility to consult with the Speaker and Secretary of the House of Delegates, on matters relating to the order of business and special rules of order as required. It is on duty throughout the annual session.

In accordance with its duties, the Committee submits the following report.

Approval of Certified Delegates: A list of certified Delegates and Alternate Delegates as of October 6 has been posted in the HOD Supplemental Information library on the House of Delegates community of ADA Connect. Any subsequent changes will be reported out at the beginning of each meeting of the House of Delegates by the CRO chair.

98. Resolved, that the list of certified delegates and alternate delegates posted in the HOD Supplemental Information library on the House of Delegates community of ADA Connect be approved as the official roster of voting delegates and alternate delegates that constitute the 2021 House of Delegates of the American Dental Association.

Minutes of the 2020 Session of the House of Delegates: The minutes of the 2020 session of the House of Delegates will be posted in September in the HOD Supplemental Information library on the House of Delegates community of ADA Connect. Questions or corrections regarding the minutes may be forwarded to Kyle Smith, manager, House of Delegates at smithk@ada.org. The Committee presents the following resolution for House action.

99. Resolved, that the minutes of the 2020 session of the House of Delegates be approved.
Adoption of Agenda and Order of Agenda Items: The Committee has examined the agenda for the meeting of the House of Delegates prepared by the Speaker and Secretary of the House. Accordingly, the Committee recommends adopting the agenda as the official order of business for this session. The Committee also recommends that the Speaker of the House be allowed to rearrange the order of the agenda as deemed necessary to expedite the business of the House.

100. Resolved, that the agenda as presented in the 2021 Manual of the House of Delegates and Supplemental Information be adopted as the official order of business for this session, and be it further

Resolved, the Speaker is authorized to alter the order of the agenda as deemed necessary in order to expedite the business of the House.

To maintain a quorum, members of the House of Delegates should plan to stay in Las Vegas until close of business Saturday, October 16, which could be later than 5:00 p.m.

Refrains of Reports and Resolutions: A standing rule of the House of Delegates directs that prior to each session of the House, the Speaker shall prepare a list of recommended referrals to reference committees with the list to be available at the opening meeting of the House and be subject to amendment or approval on vote of the House of Delegates.

This preliminary list of referrals (circulated in the form of an All Inclusive General Index to resolution worksheets) will be provided with the second posting of resolution worksheets in September and updated and posted again on Tuesday, October 12. The Speaker will announce additional referrals during the first meeting of the House of Delegates. A complete list of referrals by reference committee, in the form of an agenda, will be available in the reference committee hearing rooms on Thursday morning, October 14.

101. Resolved, that the list of referrals recommended by the Speaker of the House of Delegates be approved.

Rules of Order: The business of the House of Delegates will be conducted formally in accordance with accepted rules of parliamentary procedure. Adopted as the parliamentary authority for the Association, the American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure is the document that governs all deliberations of the House of Delegates in which it is applicable and not in conflict with the Manual of the House of Delegates, Governance Manual or the Bylaws of the Association.

Annual Reports, Manual of the House of Delegates and Resolution Worksheets: The publication, Annual Reports, 2021, will be posted in September on ADA Connect and ADA.org and can be accessed through the following link: http://www.ada.org/en/member-center/leadership-governance/historical-publications-policies.

In addition, the first set of resolution worksheets was posted on ADA Connect and ADA.org on Friday, July 23. Per 74H-2012, effective in 2013, all materials of the House of Delegates are provided in an electronic format only, with the exception of reference committee reports and agendas; no paper copies of worksheets will be distributed.

The second set of resolution worksheets will become available shortly after the Board of Trustees’ September 12-14 session and should be posted on ADA Connect and ADA.org by end of day, Friday, September 17.

In advance of the 2021 session, members of the House of Delegates are advised to download to their laptop or other electronic device copies of all pertinent meeting materials.

The Manual of the House of Delegates and Supplemental Information contains the “Rules of the House of Delegates” and all pertinent meeting information (i.e., House agendas, members of the Standing and Reference Committees, reference committee hearing schedule, and schedule of the district caucuses).
Supplement to Annual Reports and Resolutions is prepared primarily for historical purposes only since it is a compilation of all the reports and resolutions presented to the House of Delegates. This publication will be available online in the first quarter of 2022.

Reference Committees Hearings: The reference committees of the House of Delegates will hold hearings on Thursday, October 14 in various rooms in Mandalay Bay. The list of reference committee hearing rooms appears in the Manual of the House of Delegates and Supplemental Information.

Thursday, October 14

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  Committee D (Legislative, Health, Governance and Related Matters)
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.  Committee B (Dental Benefits, Practice and Related Matters)
10:30 a.m. to Noon  Committee A (Budget, Business, Membership and Administrative Matters)
Noon to 1:30 p.m.  Committee C (Dental Education, Science and Related Matters)

Hearings may continue beyond the scheduled hours if everyone has not had an opportunity to be heard or if the complete agenda has not been covered.

In accordance with the Manual of the House of Delegates, section “General Procedures for Reference Committees,” any member of the Association, whether or not a member of the House of Delegates, is privileged to attend and participate in the discussion during the reference committee hearings. Nonmembers of the Association are also welcome to attend reference committee hearings provided they identify themselves to the committee. Nonmembers of the Association may participate at hearings with the consent of a majority of the reference committee. Members who are not members of the House of Delegates, and nonmembers of the Association can submit written testimony in advance via designated Reference Committee A, B, C, and D email addresses that will be published in ADA News and ADA.org in early October. At reference committee hearings, everyone (individuals/members) will be obligated to disclose any personal or business relationship that they or their immediate family may have with a company or individual doing business with the ADA, when such company is being discussed, prior to speaking on an issue related to such a conflict of interest.

Association staff is available at hearings to provide information requested by members of reference committees or through the Chair by those participating in the hearings.

Reports of Reference Committees: Printed copies of reference committee reports will be made available to the chair of record of each delegation on Friday, October 15. A sufficient number of copies of each report will be provided for each delegation’s delegates, alternate delegates, secretary, executive director, trustee and editor. Reference committee reports will also be posted on ADA Connect and will be available early morning on October 15.

Delegates must bring their copies of reference committee reports to the meetings of the House of Delegates since additional printed copies will be limited. However, if using an electronic version of the reference committee report during the meetings of the House, it is imperative that the documents be downloaded prior to the Saturday, October 16 meeting. The Speaker would like to remind everyone that this is a paperless House of Delegates. Wi-Fi is available in the House of Delegates as a convenience, but members do not need to be online to participate. Advance preparation is extremely important.

Nominations of Officers: The nominations of officers (president-elect, second vice president and treasurer) will take place at the first meeting of the House on Wednesday afternoon, October 13. Candidates for elective office will be nominated from the floor of the House by a simple declaratory statement, which may be followed by an acceptance speech not to exceed four minutes by the candidate. Seconding nominations is not permitted.
No additional nominations will be accepted after the Wednesday afternoon meeting.

**Presentation of Incoming Trustees:** Election results for the incoming members of the Board of Trustees as determined by Trustee Districts 3, 4, 5 and 9 shall be read by the Speaker of the House of Delegates during the first meeting of the House. Because there is only a single nominee provided by each trustee district, following the reading of the names, the Speaker shall declare the nominees elected. The Speaker of the House of Delegates reads the name of each nominee, reported by the nominee’s trustee district, during the first meeting of the House.

**Nominations to Councils and Commissions:** The Board of Trustees presents the list of its nominations to councils in Report 1, which appears on the appropriate resolution worksheet.

**Voting Procedures in the House:** The method of voting in the House of Delegates is usually determined by the Speaker who may call for a voice vote, show of hands (voting cards), standing vote, general consent, roll call of the delegations, electronic voting or such other means that the Speaker deems appropriate. The House may also, by majority vote, determine for itself the method of voting that it prefers.

Only votes cast by voting members of the House of Delegates either for or against a pending motion shall be counted. Abstentions shall only be counted in determining if a quorum is present. If the result of a vote is uncertain or if a division is called for, the Speaker may use the electronic voting method or may call for a standing vote. If a standing vote is requested, non-voting members will be asked to leave the delegate seating area. Once the area is clear of all non-voting members, the Speaker will request all delegates in favor of the motion to stand. Beginning with the first row, each person counts off and sits down, with the count running back and forth along the rows in a serpentine fashion. When all who voted in the affirmative are seated, the same is done with the negative vote. The vote will be monitored by the Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order.

In accordance with the ADA Bylaws and the House Manual proxy voting is explicitly prohibited in the House of Delegates. However, an alternate delegate may vote when substituted for a voting member in accordance with procedures established by the Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order.

**Election Procedures:** Voting for Officer Elections will take place in the House of Delegates through electronic voting on the House floor and will be taken up as one of the first items of business on Saturday morning, October 16. Only properly certified delegates will be permitted to access the delegate section of the House floor on Saturday morning from the time the doors open at 6:30 a.m. until the final election results have been announced. All entrances to the delegate section of the House floor will be monitored by members of the Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order (CRO). During this time, non-voting members of the House will not be allowed in the delegate section of the House floor.

To expedite the check-in and voting process, it is strongly recommended that any delegation changes be made no later than the end of the day on Friday, October 15. Delegate registration hours for Friday, October 15, are from 8:00 a.m. to Noon and delegate changes can be made at the Information and Resources Office up until 6 p.m. Friday evening. Delegate changes made on Saturday morning, prior to voting, may be delayed until after all other delegates have checked-in. Therefore, to avoid long delays, please make delegation changes on Friday.

To check-in, delegates must bring their officer election card to access the House floor and receive a smart card for voting. Voting keypads will be on the delegate tables on the House floor. Upon entering the House floor, delegates should insert their smart card into their voting keypad. It is recommended that delegates do not leave the House floor until after the election results have been finalized. If a delegate must leave the House floor before final election results have been announced, the delegate must surrender both the smart card and officer election card to a CRO member upon exiting through the designated exit door and then reclaim the cards for reentry by showing his or her badge to the CRO member upon return to the designated exit door. Any delegate absent from the House floor during a vote may lose their chance to vote. For the security of the election, it is essential that each delegate maintain...
possession of his or her smart card, unless surrendered to a CRO member. **If a delegate loses their smart card, they will not be able to vote.**

Voting will take place as one of the first items of business. The Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order oversees the confirmation and reporting of election results. The results will be placed in a sealed envelope and transmitted to the Secretary of the House. The Secretary will review and forward the results to the Speaker for announcement. In the event a second balloting is necessary, the vote will take place shortly after the Speaker has announced a runoff.

**Standing Order of Business—Installation of New Officers and Trustees:** The installation ceremony for new officers and trustees will take place at the third meeting of the House of Delegates on Saturday, October 16, as the first item of business with the time to be specified by the Speaker of the House of Delegates.

**Introduction of New Business:** The Committee calls attention to the *Manual of the House of Delegates and Supplemental Information*, section “Rules of the House of Delegates” which states:

No new business shall be introduced into the House of Delegates less than 15 days prior to the opening of the annual session, except when such new business is submitted by a Trustee District or the American Student Dental Association Delegation and is permitted to be introduced by a majority vote of the delegates present and voting. The motion introducing such new business shall not be debatable. Approval of such new business shall require a majority vote except new business introduced at the last meeting of a session that would require a bylaw amendment cannot be adopted at such last meeting. Reference committee recommendations shall not be deemed new business.

Any resolution that the Speaker refers to a reference committee must be made available to all members of the House before adjournment of the first meeting. For this reason, resolutions received in the Headquarters Office before the House officially convenes its first meeting will be processed, referred to a reference committee, and made available to all members of the House at that meeting. Resolutions received after the first meeting has convened will not be referred to a reference committee. They will be accepted as new business, posted on ADA Connect, and taken up when the Speaker calls for new business.

New Business resolutions received prior to the first session of the House of Delegates on Wednesday, October 13, will be presented by the Speaker *en bloc*. If a member wants a separate vote on any of these resolutions he or she will request it by resolution number and ask that it be voted on separately; the remaining ones will be voted on *en bloc* with a majority vote allowing them to be considered. Those approved will be referred to a reference committee.

Items that come as new business after the first meeting of the House of Delegates has convened will not be assigned to a reference committee; the House will vote on them individually as to whether they will be considered. A majority vote is required for the resolution to be considered. If it receives the majority vote, the House will proceed to consider the resolution.

**Resolutions of Reaffirmation/Commendation:** The Committee calls attention to the House rule governing resolutions of reaffirmation or commendation, which states that “Resolutions which (1) merely reaffirm or restate existing Association policy, (2) commend or congratulate an individual or organization, or (3) memorialize an individual shall not be introduced to the House of Delegates” *(Trans.1977:958).*

**Explanation of Resolution Number System:** Original resolutions are numbered consecutively regardless of whether the source is a council, other Association agency, constituent society, delegate, Board of Trustees or House reference committee. Revisions made by the Board, reference committee or House are considered “amendments” to the original resolution. If amended by the Board, the suffix “B” follows the original resolution number (Res. 24B); if amended by a reference committee, the suffix “RC” follows (Res. 24RC).
If a resolution is adopted by the House, the suffix “H” follows the resolution number (Res.24H). The “H” always indicates that the resolution was adopted.

If a resolution is not adopted or it is referred by the House of Delegates, the resolution number remains the same. For example:

Res. 78B is considered by the House and not adopted, the number remains the same: Res. 78B.

Res. 7RC is considered by the House and referred for study, the number remains the same: Res. 7RC.

If a Board (B) or reference committee (RC) resolution is a substitute for several original resolutions, the Board’s recommended substitute or the reference committee’s recommended substitute uses the number of the first resolution submitted and adds the proper suffix (B or RC). The report will clearly state that the other resolution or resolutions have been considered and are included in the “B” or “RC” resolution. A resolution submitted by an agency other than the Board or a reference committee as a substitute or amendment retains the original resolution number followed by the suffix “S-1” (Res. 24S-1). If two substitute resolutions are submitted for the same original resolution, the suffixes are “S-1” and “S-2” (Res. 24S-1, Res. 24S-2).

Note. If a substitute resolution is received too late to be introduced to the House of Delegates through a reference committee report, the originator of the substitute resolution is responsible for calling it to the Speaker’s attention when the original resolution is being discussed by the House of Delegates.

Dedicated Pro and Con Microphones: To help ensure a balanced opportunity for debate during all House discussions, microphones 1, 3, and 5 will be identified for pro testimony and microphones 2, 4, and 6 will be identified for con testimony throughout the session. To preserve the microphone queue for debate on the main motions the Speaker has indicated that two microphones at the front of the room labeled “A” and “B” will be used for debate on subsidiary motions. A third microphone will be placed front and center, labeled “P”, for parliamentary inquiries, points of order, points of information or to appeal a ruling of the Chair. Microphone “P” may also be used for a question of privilege that has to do with the convenience, comfort, rights, or privileges of a member or of the assembly that is urgent and must be decided immediately. Offering to give information is debate and is not a point of information, and should be given at one of the six microphones in the queue.

Recognition of Those Waiting to Speak: Microphones identified as pro/con will be used throughout the session. When a member wishes to address the House, the individual should approach the appropriately labeled microphone, secure the attention of the Speaker through the attendant at the microphone and wait to speak until recognized by the Speaker. The member shall then state his or her name, district, and, for the benefit of the official reporter, the purpose of his or her comments (e.g., speaking for or against a motion, presenting a new motion, etc.). If all members of the House follow this procedure, work will be expedited and all who wish to be heard will be given an opportunity.

When an electronic vote is taken, the Speaker will allow sufficient time for members at the microphone to return to their places before taking the vote. In the event debate continues on the same issue, the Speaker will honor the microphone sequence prior to taking the electronic vote. Therefore, a member who was at the microphone and did not have an opportunity to speak before that vote was called and who wishes to continue debate on the same issue should return to the microphone where he or she was prior to the electronic vote.

Access to Floor of House: Access to the floor of the House of Delegates is limited to members of the House of Delegates, the chairs of the councils and commissions, the secretaries and executive directors of constituent societies, the executive director and president of the American Student Dental Association, an officially designated representative from each of the American Hospital Association and American Medical Association and members of the Headquarters Office staff. Council and commission chairs are responsible for requesting floor access for any non-delegate council or commission member who desires
to speak during debate on the report of the council or commission consistent with the Bylaws and the
Rules of the House of Delegates. Alternate delegates, former officers (except for former presidents) and
former trustees do not have the privilege of access to the floor. Alternate delegates will be seating in a
special area reserved for them.

Admission to the House will be granted to delegates with the appropriately numbered card, which must be
handed to the attendant at the door for each meeting so that the official attendance record may be
maintained. Former officers and former trustees who wish to observe the proceedings of the House of
Delegates may do so via a livestream broadcast. All observers must register in advance of the Annual
Meeting for permission to access the link to the livestream broadcast. Registration will be available on
ADA.org in late-September.

Secretaries and Executive Directors of Constituent Societies: In accordance with the standing rule of the
House, “The secretary and executive director of a constituent society may be seated with the
constituent society delegates on the floor of the House of Delegates even though they are not official
delegates.” Under the standing rules, it is not permissible to designate an “acting” secretary or executive
director of a constituent society so that he or she may be seated on the floor of the House, unless that
person is designated as “acting” secretary or executive director for the remaining portion of the annual
session.

Seating of Component Executive Directors in the Alternate Section of the House of Delegates: In 2015, the House of Delegates adopted Resolution 48H-2015 to provide component executive directors
and secretaries seating in the Alternate Delegate section as space is available. Based on seating
capacity at the 2021 House of Delegates, the floor of the House has been expanded into a second
ballroom to seat alternate delegates. No additional seating is available. However, a livestream
broadcast of the meetings of the House of Delegates will be available to all those who register on
ADA.org.

Replacement of Alternate Delegates for Delegates: Delegates wanting to replace themselves with an
alternate delegate from their delegation as the credentialed delegate during a meeting of the House of
Delegates must complete the appropriate delegate-alternate substitution form. The constituent’s
executive director or secretary is required to sign the form and the delegate must surrender his or her
admission cards for the meeting or meetings not attended before admission cards will be issued to the
alternate delegate by the Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order. Substitution of alternate delegates
may be made during all three meetings of the House of Delegates. In order for a complete and accurate
attendance record for all meetings of the 2021 House of Delegates, submission of these completed
substitution forms is essential. Only credentialed delegates may vote for the Officers of the Association.

Temporary substitutions: For the purpose of allowing an alternate to replace a delegate for a specific
resolution or issue, the substitution forms do not have to be completed. For these temporary substitutions,
the switch can take place at the designated doors staffed at the House of Delegates. This will be in effect
for the Second and Third meetings of the House.

Closed Session: A closed session is any meeting or portion of a meeting of the House of Delegates with
limited attendance in order to consider a highly confidential matter. A closed session may be held if
agreed upon by general consent of the House or by a majority of the delegates present at the meeting in
which the closed session would take place. In a closed session, attendance is limited to officers of the
House, delegates and alternates, and the elective and appointive officers, trustees, past presidents and
general counsel of the Association. In consultation with the Secretary of the House, the Speaker may
invite other persons with an interest in the subject matter to remain during the closed session. In addition
to senior staff, this is likely to include members and staff of the council(s) or commission(s) involved with
the matter under discussion and executive directors of constituent societies and the American Student
Dental Association. No official action may be taken nor business conducted during a closed session.
Immediately after a closed session, the Speaker will inform delegates that they may present a motion to request permission to review information which was discussed in the closed session, with the information being discussed only with members present at the session. This provision is not applicable to an attorney-client session.

**Attorney-Client Session**: An attorney-client session is a form of closed session during which an attorney acting in a professional capacity provides legal advice, or a request is made of the attorney for legal advice. During these sessions, the legal advice given by the attorney may be discussed at length, and such discussion is “privileged.” The requests, advice, and any discussion of them are protected, which means that opponents in litigation, media representatives, or others cannot legally compel their disclosure. The purpose of the privilege is to encourage free and frank discussions between an attorney and those seeking or receiving legal advice. The privilege can be lost (waived) if details about the attorney-client session are revealed to third parties. Once the privilege has been waived, there is a danger that all privileged communications on the issues covered in the attorney-client session, regardless of when or where they took place, may become subject to disclosure. For attorney-client sessions, the Speaker and Secretary shall consult with the General Counsel regarding attendance during the session. No official action may be taken nor business conducted during an attorney-client session.

In accordance with the above information, all those participating in an attorney-client session shall refrain from disclosing information about the discussion held during the attorney-client session. In certain cases, a decision may be made to come out of the attorney-client session for purposes of conducting a non-privileged discussion of the same or related subject matter. The difference will be that during the non-privileged session there will be no discussion of any legal advice requested by attendees during the attorney-client session or about any of the legal advice given by the legal counsel. It is such requests for legal advice, legal advice given, and discussion of the legal advice during the attorney-client session that are protected by the privilege and that shall not be disclosed or discussed outside of the attorney-client session.


Members of the House should familiarize themselves with the rules and procedures set forth in the Manual so that work may proceed as rapidly as possible.

**Distribution of Materials in the House of Delegates**: In 2016, the House adopted Resolution 6H-2016, to prohibit the distribution of campaign literature in the House of Delegates. The Committee calls attention to the procedures to be followed for distributing materials in the House of Delegates: (1) no material may be distributed in the House without obtaining permission from the Secretary of the House; (2) material to be distributed must relate to subjects and activities that are proposed for House action or information.

**Media Representatives at Meetings of the House of Delegates**: On occasion, representatives of the press and other communications media may be watching the livestream broadcast of the House and in attendance at the reference committee hearings.

**House of Delegates Information and Resource Office**: An Information and Resource Office will be open Tuesday, October 12 through Friday, October 15, and will be located at the Mandalay Bay, North Convention Center, Captain’s Board Room, near Delegate Registration. This office will be open to delegates, alternates, constituent society officers and staff. The office will be equipped with computers with printing capability, a copy machine, and general information about the meetings of the House of Delegates and related activities. Everyone is urged to use the Information and Resources Office when drafting resolutions or testimony.

Individuals having resolutions for submission to the House of Delegates will be directed to the Headquarters Office where final resolution processing will occur.
Resolutions
(Resolution 98:Worksheet:1030)
(Resolution 99:Worksheet: 1031)
(Resolution 100-Worksheet:1032)
(Resolution 101-Worksheet:1033)
Resolution No. 98

Report: Credentials, Rules and Order

Date Submitted: September 2021

Submitted By: Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order

Reference Committee: N/A

Total Net Financial Implication: None

Net Dues Impact: None

Amount One-time

Amount On-going

ADA Strategic Plan Objective: None

How does this resolution increase member value: Not Applicable

APPROVAL OF CERTIFIED DELEGATES

Background: A list of certified Delegates and Alternate Delegates as of October 6 has been posted in the HOD Supplemental Information library on the House of Delegates community of ADA Connect. Any subsequent changes will be reported out at the beginning of each meeting of the House of Delegates by the CRO chair.

Resolution

98. Resolved, that the list of certified delegates and alternate delegates posted in the HOD Supplemental Information library on the House of Delegates community of ADA Connect be approved as the official roster of voting delegates and alternate delegates that constitute the 2021 House of Delegates of the American Dental Association.
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Resolution No. 99

Report: Credentials, Rules and Order

Submitted By: Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order

Reference Committee: N/A

Total Net Financial Implication: None

Net Dues Impact: 

Amount One-time Amount On-going

ADA Strategic Plan Objective: None

How does this resolution increase member value: Not Applicable

MINUTES OF THE 2020 SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Background: The minutes of the 2020 session of the House of Delegates will be posted in September in the HOD Supplemental Information library on the House of Delegates community of ADA Connect.

Questions or corrections regarding the minutes may be forwarded to Kyle Smith, manager, House of Delegates at smithk@ada.org. The Committee presents the following resolution for House action.

Resolution

99. Resolved, that the minutes of the 2020 session of the House of Delegates be approved.
Resolution No. 100

Report: Credentials, Rules and Order

Date Submitted: September 2021

Submitted By: Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order

Reference Committee: N/A

Total Net Financial Implication: None

Net Dues Impact: None

Amount One-time None Amount On-going None

ADA Strategic Plan Objective: None

How does this resolution increase member value: Not Applicable

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS

Background: The Committee has examined the agenda for the meeting of the House of Delegates prepared by the Speaker and Secretary of the House. Accordingly, the Committee recommends adopting the agenda as the official order of business for this session. The Committee also recommends that the Speaker of the House be allowed to rearrange the order of the agenda as deemed necessary to expedite the business of the House.

Resolution

100. Resolved, that the agenda as presented in the 2021 Manual of the House of Delegates and Supplemental Information be adopted as the official order of business for this session, and be it further

Resolved, the Speaker is authorized to alter the order of the agenda as deemed necessary in order to expedite the business of the House.
RESOLUTION No. 101

Report: Credentials, Rules and Order  
Date Submitted: September 2021

Submitted By: Standing Committee on Credentials, Rules and Order

Reference Committee: N/A

Total Net Financial Implication: None  
Net Dues Impact: None

Amount One-time  
Amount On-going

ADA Strategic Plan Objective: None

How does this resolution increase member value: Not Applicable

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REFERRALS OF REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

**Background:** A standing rule of the House of Delegates directs that prior to each session of the House, the Speaker shall prepare a list of recommended referrals to reference committees with the list to be available at the opening meeting of the House and be subject to amendment or approval on vote of the House of Delegates.

This preliminary list of referrals (circulated in the form of an All Inclusive General Index to resolution worksheets) will be provided with the second posting of resolution worksheets in September and updated and posted again on Tuesday, October 12. The Speaker will announce additional referrals during the first meeting of the House of Delegates. A complete list of referrals by reference committee, in the form of an agenda, will be available in the reference committee hearing rooms on Thursday morning, October 14.

101. Resolved, that the list of referrals recommended by the Speaker of the House of Delegates be approved.
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