

ORGANIZATION
OF
RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AGENDA

Wednesday, September 21, 1994

Joint Boards Meeting
Amphitheater/Forum
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Speaker: The Honorable Jay Rockefeller

Joint Boards Reception
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Roosevelt and Foyer

Thursday, September 22, 1994

7:30 a.m. - Joint Breakfast and Meeting
Roosevelt

10:30 a.m. Integrated Group Meeting
Longworth, Imperial, Decatur, Latrobe, Caucus, and Lewis & Clark

Joint Luncheon
Noon
Roosevelt
Speaker: David Kessler, M.D.
Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration

Executive Council Business Meeting
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Robert G. Petersdorf Conference Room
AAMC Headquarters, 2450 N Street Room 130

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ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGES
ORGANIZATION OF RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1994
8:30 AM - 3:30 PM
AAMC HEADQUARTERS
2450 N STREET, NW
COOPER CONFERENCE ROOM 128

- I Call to Order**
- II Approval of June Meeting Minutes**
- III Liaison Reports**
 - A. OSR/ORR - Michael Greenberg, M.D.**
 - B. Advisory Panel on Healthcare Reform - Denise Dupras, M.D., Ph.D.**
 - C. Advisory Panel on the Mission and Organization of Medical Schools**
 - William Fortuner, M.D.**
- IV. AAMC Strategic Planning**
- V. New Resident Representatives**
- LUNCH 12:00 - 1:00 PM**
- VI American College of Physicians Council of Associates - Recommendations on Reform of Residency Training**
- VII ORR Representation on the Office of Generalist Physician Advisory Committee**
- VIII ACGME & COGME Update - Ingrid Philibert**
- IX. Legislative Update - Mary Beth Bresch-White**
- X. ORR Newsletter**
- XI Annual Meeting Program**
 - A. Business Meeting**
 - B. New Member Orientation**
 - C. Administrative Board Elections**
 - D. Saturday Afternoon Program**
 - E. CAS/ORR Joint Session**
- XII Executive Council Items**
- XIII Adjournment**

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Administrative Board Meeting Minutes
June 15, 1994
Washington, D.C.

The meeting was called to order by ORR Chair Michele Parker, M.D. Other members present were Denise Dupras, M.D., Ph.D., Chair-elect, Deborah Baumgarten, M.D., Fernando Daniels III, M.D., William J. Fortuner, M.D., Nicholas Gideonse, M.D., Michael Greenberg, M.D., and Cathy Halperin, M.D.

Opening remarks were given by new AAMC President Jordan Cohen, M.D. He discussed the new directions he envisions for the Association and its renewed emphasis on education. He also reviewed current developments in health care reform legislation and how these might effect future graduate medical education. He expects that there will be federally imposed limitations on specialty training and also constraints on the total number of residency positions. This will inevitably effect the workload of residents and the need to use more non-physician providers to substitute for housestaff. Overall, there is concern that the costs of change, in terms of issues such as replacement workers or the costs of teaching in ambulatory settings, have been underappreciated. Securing a stable funding stream for education is a high priority for the Association in healthcare reform legislation. Dr. Cohen also emphasized the important role the ORR plays in the Association's deliberations, and he thanked the administrative board for their support and their participation in the AAMC's governance.

Chair Michele Parker, M.D. introduced Dr. David Altman, Associate Vice President for Education Policy and Director of the Office of Generalist Physician Programs. Dr. Altman has assumed responsibility for the ORR as of April 1. He explained the restructuring of the Association under Dr. Cohen's direction, and stated that there is an active search for a Vice President for Education Policy who will have responsibility for the Section for Graduate Medical Education. Dr. Altman then reviewed the AAMC's activities with respect to generalist physician training and future plans for his office regarding graduate medical education.

Next Dr. Parker reviewed the minutes of the February meeting; the minutes were approved by the board.

Frances Hall, Director of Student Programs then gave an update on the AAMC Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS) project. The system is being prepared for field testing. Discussions with the American Medical Association (AMA) have led to a decision that the Association's program will be further developed. An advisory committee to ERAS will be appointed and should have resident representation. ORR members should contact Michele Parker, M.D., if interested in serving on the committee.

Robert D'Antuono and Ingrid Philibert of Clinical Services were present to provide a report on the Section on Resident Education (SRE). Robert D'Antuono explained that the SRE was formed about 3 years ago as a professional development committee within the Group on Education Affairs (GEA). He stressed the need for stronger connections between the SRE and ORR and proposed that a liaison be designated to increase communication between the two groups. The designated resident would benefit from attending the various meetings held by the SRE throughout the year. Dr. Parker added that she was invited to an SRE meeting regarding educational partnerships held in La Jolla, California earlier in June. She stated that the meeting was well-attended by individuals from a broad array of residency programs. Dr. Altman confirmed that Dr. Parker had given a talk on the issues of quality in resident education that was very well-received.

The next agenda item was OSR/ORR activities. The group discussed the possibility of a joint

session with the OSR during the September board meeting in order to plan projects for 1995. Both OSR and ORR members have expressed an interest in working together, but due to schedule conflicts it has been difficult to coordinate any joint programs.

Chair-elect Denise Dupras, M.D., Ph.D., reported on the Advisory Panel for Healthcare Reform May 17 meeting. The panel reviewed Senator Kennedy's reform proposal, which is the first bill to include funding for medical schools. There were also two other presentations related to the costs of teaching hospitals and the concerns of childrens' hospitals. The panel will meet again in July.

The board reviewed a draft schedule of the ORR annual meeting program. In addition to the regular business meeting, there will be two Saturday afternoon sessions. The first sessions will deal with residency education and training. The second session, a joint presentation with the CAS, will address physician workforce reform. Speakers are being sought for both sessions.

Since the AAMC Executive Council's approval of the ORR by-laws concerning its membership at the February meeting, two additional societies have expressed an interest in being represented by the ORR. They are the Association of Academic Physiatrists and the Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine. (At the June Meeting, the Executive Council approved the ORR's recommendation that these societies be allowed to designate residents to the ORR.) There was also discussion of a possible review of the ORR by-laws during the business meeting to determine if anymore revisions are necessary.

Next Mary Beth Bresch White and Steve Northrup of Governmental Relations delivered an extensive update on legislative activities effecting AAMC constituency. Steve Northrup explained that there has been virtually no activity on the Stark/HELP bill due to current healthcare. Residents are invited to contact the Office of Governmental Relations for any questions on legislation regarding healthcare.

Finally the board reviewed the Executive Council agenda items which included a recommended change in the ACGME bylaws regarding resident representation, and an analysis of several proposed Congressional healthcare initiatives.

The meeting adjourned by Dr. Michele Parker.

ORGANIZATION OF RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES
SEPTEMBER 21, 1994
ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 A.M. by the ORR Chair Michele C. Parker, M.D. Members present included: Denise Dupras, M.D., Ph.D., Deborah Baumgarten, M.D., Fernando Daniels, III, M.D., William J. Fortuner, III, M.D., Nicholas Gideonse, M.D.; AAMC staff included David Altman, M.D. and Michelle Reddie.

The minutes from the June meeting were reviewed and approved by the Board.

The next item on the agenda focused on liaison reports. Although Michael Greenberg, M.D. was unable to attend the meeting and provide a liaison report for the OSR/ORR, a brief discussion was initiated by other board members. Denise Dupras, M.D. suggested that the Administrative Boards of ORR and OSR should meet in order to discuss the possibility of a joint program for part of the 1995 AAMC Annual Meeting. Dr. Altman suggested that Stacy Tessler, chair-elect of the OSR, be contacted soon so that these discussions can begin.

Dr. Dupras then gave a brief status report on the Advisory Panel on Healthcare Reform. During the last meeting that was held in Washington, D.C. Martin Seig-Ross, the health care advisor to Senator Kassebaum, spoke about the "mainstream coalition" bipartisan Senate bill which he said had the most backing. Although the bill mentions academic health science centers and graduate medical education, the main focus of the initiative was insurance reform. Another topic discussed was the bill's provisions for developing a PPRC - like commission to study workforce issues. There is a graduate medical education funding provision for the direct medical education cost and a recommendation for a study of the costs of medical student education.

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Dr. Dupras suggested that a health care reform update should be worked into the Annual Meeting program. She stressed the importance of hearing from the President of the AAMC at the Annual Meeting about whatever transpires.

Dr. Dupras also mentioned a study done by Lewin-VHI for the AAMC analyzing the costs of teaching hospital. The study found that the cost per patient in teaching hospitals was substantially higher than in non-teaching hospitals. She also noted the release of a report from the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of health and Human Services on the costs of graduate medical education.

Dr. Dupras mentioned that the AAMC has formed a new advisory panel on medical school financing with several specific goals: 1- To review the literature on what it costs to educate medical students; 2- To develop longitudinal studies of practice plan revenues to determine how changes in the market environment are going to change the ability to fund medical education; and 3- To evaluate a new cost construction methodology for medical student education. One question raised by the panel is if we wanted to construct a medical school how would we do it using the cost factors to make decisions about what kind of education to provide and where and how it should be provided. In addition, this new methodology might provide the means to provide a better estimate of what it will cost to move medical education out of the hospital setting and into new venues such as rural practice sites and HMO's.

With respect to GME and workforce reform, recent AAMC data indicates that the number of resident physicians has increased to 144.9% of the number of graduates from LCME-accredited medical schools. There has also been an increase in the number of programs nationally. There is concern about the number of international medical graduates

coming to the U.S. for training.

Dr. William Fortuner gave a report on the Advisory Panel on the Mission and Organization of Medical Schools. The advisory panel which first met in July, has as its initial charge to look at financial and societal changes as they affect academic medical centers. The issues raised were as follows: 1- Enhancing the competitiveness of academic medical centers; 2- Nurturing the development of primary care; 3- Capturing the promise of biomedical research; 4- Tapping the power of information; 5- Adapting to resource constraints; and 6- Fulfilling the social contract. A brief discussion followed Dr. Fortuner's report.

Dr. Altman noted that the National Consortium of Resident Physician Organization Forum will be held on October 22-23 in Crystal City, VA and that it would be important for a representative from the ORR to attend. After a brief description of what the meeting would be about Dr. Fernando Daniels volunteered to attend the meeting and provide a report on its proceedings.

The ORR has been asked to provide representatives to the AAMC's Section on Resident Education Steering Committee. This newly established Steering Committee will meet twice a year. The Board decided to solicit candidates from the ORR membership at the Annual Meeting.

The AAMC has begun a strategic planning process, and representation has been requested from the ORR on a committee on vision. Dr. Baumgarten and Dr. Daniels have been chosen to be the ORR representatives on this group. A discussion ensued concerning which of the numerous requests for representation should be filled by Administrative Board members versus the general ORR membership.

Dr. Altman mentioned that the Society of University Urologists has sent a letter to Dr. Cohen formally asking for representation on the ORR. Dr. Altman mentioned that after the last governance meeting, Dr. Beran reviewed the list of specialties that are part of the American Board of Medical Specialties, and out of the thirty specialties listed six are not now represented on the ORR: allergy/ immunology, colon and rectal surgery, medical genetics, urological surgery, nuclear medicine, and neurosurgery. Two new members have recently been appointed to the ORR: John Shumko from physical medicine and rehabilitation and Natalie Bera from preventive medicine.

Dr. Parker introduced the topic of the American College of Physician's Council of Associates' document "Recommendations on Reform of Residency" which Dr. Dupras has obtained from Jerry Sahagun. Dr. Dupras has suggested that the document might be made more generic with respect to training in specialties other than internal medicine as a project for the ORR. Dr. Sahagun has responded favorably to the idea and has granted permission for use of the ACP document as a departure point. If such a statement were developed and approved by the ORR and the CAS, the paper could be distributed to program directors possibly within the next year. The Ad Board agreed that a small working group with at least one Ad Board member should be appointed during the Annual Meeting to work on this project with the understanding that the membership at large would be asked to contribute their recommendations.

Mary Beth Bresch-White from the AAMC Office of Government Relations then provided an update on federal legislation. She provided a handout summarizing current legislative activities. The AAMC has not given up hope on health care reform. However, it is clear that for this year it is dead. In terms of what can be expected next year Ms. Bresch-

White stated that she does not believe that there would not be a push for a comprehensive health care reform bill. She believes that some members of congress will push very strongly to cap entitlement programs which will effectively mean capping of Medicaid and Medicare. In addition, the recent OIG report recommended that the Medicare program reconsider its financing of residency training. Following Ms. Bresch-White's comments a brief question and answer period followed.

Ingrid Philibert from the Division of Clinical Services gave a brief update concerning recent meetings of the ACGME and of CoGME. Despite earlier assurances otherwise, the AMA has vetoed the change proposed in the appointment of a resident representative to the ACGME that was approved by the AAMC governance at its last meeting. No further action on this matter is now expected. Following Ms. Philibert's updates a discussion regarding current trends in the growth of residency programs ensued.

Dr. Altman reported on a call he had received from John Biglow, ORR representative from anesthesia. Dr. Biglow stated that he had some colleagues that were residents in Boston that were from AMA Resident Physician Section who would like to attend the ORR business meeting. Dr. Altman had advised him that it would not be a problem for them to attend the public sessions. The Administrative Board decided that it would not be appropriate for non-ORR members to attend the Business Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.