

Council of Faculty and Academic Societies (CFAS)

Committee Report

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Committee Name:	CFAS Basic Science Committee
Report Date:	November 10, 2019 (Summary of meeting discussions at LSL in Phoenix November 2019)
Major Recent Objectives:	Presentation for CFAS meeting joint day with COD/COTH and CFAS in San Diego. Title = Building and Maintaining Trans-Institutional Academic Research
Proposed Future Work and Goals:	A major theme of the task force was planning for the upcoming AAMC LSL Meeting in Washington DC (Nov 13-17, 2020). The committee proposed that this meeting was an important opportunity to highlight the important role of basic science in the medical centers. The task force will advocate for a series of speakers including Francis Collins (personalized medicine), Anthony Fouci (vaccine development), Jon Lorsch (training of PhD and MD/PhD scientists) and Amy Wilson-Delfoss (PhD and MD competencies). Jon Lorsch, PhD (Director of NIGMS-NIH) is willing to attend.
Potential Work Products or Milestones for Completion of Objectives, e.g.: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tools for faculty• Programming, meeting sessions /webinars• Thought papers, commentaries	Recent Meeting Presentations: -PhD Education in the Biological Sciences: Continuing A Success Story (LSL Meeting, Austin, TX, 2018) 100 Participants (<i>considered a successful session</i>) Benveniste/Eckert -PhD Education Town Hall Discussion (CFAS Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2019) 25 participants (<i>considered a successful session</i>) Benveniste/Eckert Immediate Plans: Presentation for CFAS meeting joint day with COD/COTH and CFAS in San Diego
Specific actions requiring Administrative Board or AAMC leadership consideration:	Consider whether a specific basic science small group breakout should be included at each meeting (in addition to the long-term policy/practice adopted by the Program Committee/Ad Board of presenting basic science clinical issues and teaching perspectives in each meeting plenary session).

Proposed Committee Core Roster (Please provide information on proposed committee size and a brief explanation justifying individual membership to the committee):	Roster fluctuates, but attendance is generally 10 -15 people per LSL and CFAS meeting. More individuals attend CFAS than LSL – generally finances and interest are the reasons. The committee roster is appended. I think that the committee is functioning at a productive level with different attendees at every meeting.
Comments and additional information:	