



Membership Council Conference Call

Monday, September 17, 2018
3:00 p.m. CT

MINUTES

Attendees

Scherezade Mama, DrPh (Chair)
Qian Lu, MD, PhD
Barbara Resnick, PhD, CRNP, FAAN, FAANP
Lindsay Bullock (staff)
Robert Carroll (staff)

Regrets

Monica L. Baskin, PhD
Bettina Fisher Drake, PhD, MPH
Akilah J. Dulin Keita, PhD
Lorna Haughton McNeill, MPH, PhD
E. Amy Janke, PhD (SPLC representative)
Tracey Ledoux, PhD, RD
Christine Rini, PhD

Approve minutes

Minutes from July 16 approved with no changes.

2019 Annual Meeting New Member Meet and Greet

The new member meet and greet has been moved to the start of the 2019 Annual Meeting, Wednesday evening (March 6, 2019), following the 40th anniversary celebration. The meet and greet will happen at the same time as the poster sessions. The membership council discussed ideal locations for the meet and greet so that it is in close proximity to both the main ballroom where the anniversary celebration will be held, and the poster sessions. No decision was made.

SBM Fellows

The membership council discussed ways to involve SBM Fellows at the 2019 Annual Meeting. Options included incorporating them into the SBM past/present/future segment on Wednesday evening, and making them a more central part of the meet and greet. The council discussed making it mandatory for Fellows to attend the meet and greet. Dr. Resnick suggested giving the SBM Fellows program more structure so that it's less of a career achievement and more of an active involvement. Other associations were presented as examples of Fellows programs with similar structures. Dr. Mama intends to join a SBM President's call to discuss adding more structure to the Fellows program. The Awards Committee governs the Fellow structure, so all changes will have to go through that committee. The earliest year that changes can be made is 2020.

SBM Champions

Champion suggestions will be discussed on the next call.

Membership Numbers

Membership numbers are in line with September 2017 totals.

Update on membership totals

September 10, 2017		September 10, 2018	
Associate	22	Associate	30
Emeritus	60	Emeritus	60
Fellow	153	Fellow	164
Fellow (Emeritus)	49	Fellow (Emeritus)	49
Member	1187	Member	1119
Student/Trainee	876	Student/Trainee	901
Trans 1	58	Trans 1	69
Trans 2	51	Trans 2	42
TOTAL	2456	TOTAL	2434



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Gender Options on New Membership Application

Non-binary gender options provided by other associations usually include “other” and “prefer not to disclose.” The question is already optional, but the council agreed that this option needs to be more explicitly presented. Possible gender options will be polled via an email sent by Dr. Mama.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. CT.

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