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Section on OMR Mission Statement

The Section on Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology works within the framework of the ADEA to provide a forum for oral and maxillofacial radiology educators in dentistry and its allied professions to formulate educational goals and clinical competencies in oral and maxillofacial radiology and develops educational strategies based on educational research and development.

Section Program at 2013 ADEA Annual Session

It has been a fruitful year. Our section presented a program in collaboration with Special Interest Group (SIG) on Implant Dentistry on “CT Guided Technology in Implant Dentistry Education”. Thanks are due to our Section member Dr. Vijay Parashar on making this possible.

Another program was assembled and submitted but was not accepted. Care should be exercised in following ADEA established guidelines when envisioning and putting together a program so there are better chances of program acceptance.

OMR Section membership agrees that there is a need for a dedicated web page for members to get information on Section activities. ADEA do not host web pages for individual Sections and SIGs. Therefore, outgoing Section Chair Dr. Dan Colosi after consultation with Section leadership and membership have requested and received approval from The American Academy of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology (AAOMR) to host a Section on OMR page on their website aomr.org. Section Secretary in consultation with Section leadership and membership will be responsible for maintaining the web page.

First ADEA Career Fair for Dental Students

ADEA presented their first online Career Fair on February 2, 2013. At the General Business meeting excellent feedback was received. There were over 100 unique visitors counted per booth and over 600 attended the Career Fair. ADEA received very positive feedback regarding the live chat. The second Career Fair is planned for spring 2014.

Recognition was given to this group and others who participated in this event and made this happen.

Congratulations and thanks to Drs. Chaudhry, Mathew, Parashar, Kumar, Potluri, and Tadinada.
The meeting was called to order at 12:15 P.M. by Section Councilor Dr. Jahanzeb Chaudhry.

Councilor’s report
Dr. Jahanzeb Chaudhry presented the Councilor’s report.
Dr. Chaudhry welcomed the attendees and stressed the importance of attending the members’ forum. He thanked current and previous Section members and leadership for showing confidence in him and bestowing him with an important responsibility of being the Section Councilor. At the opening of House of Delegates, ADEA President, Dr. Gerald Glickman discussed the following issues:

Inter-professional education, a new task force that he commissioned on student loan, return-on-investment on dental education, ADEA policy and work group on role of mid-level providers and faculty development.

Dr. Chaudhry introduced Dr. Joan E. Kowolik who is the administrative liaison between our Section and ADEA Council of Sections Administrative Board. Dr. Chaudhry thanked Dr. Kowolik for providing the Section performance report for last year. Dr. Kowolik commended the Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Section for its activities and the success of the Section programs and high attendance.

One of the programs submitted last year “Evolution of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology: Past, Present, Future and Integration with General and Specialty Dentistry” was not accepted. Dr. Chaudhry stressed the need to continue to collaborate with other Sections and SIGs and prepare and submit programs of interest to a broader audience and on issues related to contemporary dental education. Our Section collaborated with Section on Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology last year. This year our Section program was presented in collaboration with SIG on Implant Dentistry. For the next year’s program the OMR Section will have discussions with several Sections and SIGs to explore their interest in collaboration.

Next Annual Session will be held from March 15, 2014 through March 18, 2014 in San Antonio, Texas. The annual session theme is “Science of Learning”. It’s time to start thinking about our programs for next year. General criteria for program evaluation include relevance to the theme, collaboration between Sections and SIGs, and credentials of the speakers. There is an increase in number and quality of programs submitted for presentation at the annual session making it a more competitive process.

Ms. Renee Latimer has created a YouTube video on “How to Submit a Program”. The link to the video is available through the ADEA website.
medical colleagues, initiating an NCRP report on digital and Cone Beam CT Imaging in Dentistry, and more.

**Old business**
None.

**New business**
Section Program for 2014:
The members discussed several ideas for a collaborative Section program for next year annual session including collaborating with SIG on TMD, Sections on Cariology, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Anatomical Sciences, Oral Diagnosis and Medicine, Comprehensive Care and General Dentistry, and Dental Anatomy and Occlusion.

Section officers were tasked with contacting individual Sections and SIGs to explore collaborative opportunities. Dr. Derrick Williams, Councilor, Section on Cariology has contacted our Chair-elect Dr. Vandana Kumar to see if OMR Section is interested in preparing a collaborative program with his Section for next year. Dr. Kumar will discuss the specifics with Dr. Williams and report back to Section members.

Policy paper on cone beam computed tomography (CBCT) in dental education:
Dr. Chaudhry said that one of his goals as Councilor will be to assemble a group of experts in oral and maxillofacial radiology education to develop a position paper on CBCT in dental education.

**Nominations and elections**
Each Section has a Council that serves a three-year term of office. One must be a member of ADEA, a member of the Section on Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology, and has demonstrated outstanding academic and professional achievements to be eligible to hold office.

Dr. Aditya Tadinada, an Assistant Professor of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine was nominated and unanimously elected to serve as the Secretary for 2013-2014 term. Congratulations to Dr. Tadinada! He is an excellent addition to the Section leadership.

Dr. Chaudhry thanked the outgoing Chair, Dr. Dan Colosi, for his excellent work and expressed gratitude for his service to the Section.

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