Message From the Board Director  
Dr. Heather Conrad

The 2017 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition was held in Long Beach, CA, March 18–21, with record-setting attendance and great programming!

By the meeting’s conclusion, Dr. David Shafer, Associate Professor and Chair of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine, had completed his three-year term as Board Director for COHAEP. David was a strong leader and wonderful representative for our Council, and we thank him for his service!

Having served as an officer with the Prosthodontic Section and on the Administrative Board of COHAEP, I was nominated for and then accepted the position of Board Director for COHAEP. Dr. Craig Hirschberg, Program Director Endodontics at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Dental Medicine, was elected as Member-at-Large and will be a great asset to our Council!

The Board of Directors Retreat was held in Washington DC, from June 12–14, and followed the theme of “Passport to Leadership on the National Mall.” Some of the key lessons learned from the day included the importance of character and leadership presence, balance of strength and generosity, and the importance of time for learning and reflection. The following day, we discussed character traits of leaders in American history. Leaders demonstrate the courage to act, even in the face of consequences. Leaders are not perfect, but they are true to themselves. Leaders are persistent and can balance long-term aspirations with shorter-term impact. The Board of Directors will next be meeting with the Joint Advisory Committees on September 26–28.

Please review the newsletter for more information about the 2017 ADEA Fall Meetings in Columbus and 2018 Annual Session & Exhibition in Orlando!

Call for Administrative Board Members

ADEA member representatives are encouraged to submit a nominee for the Member-at-Large position. Members of the council can self-nominate or nominate a fellow council member.

Member-at-Large (MAL)

The MAL position is a four-year commitment with attendance at three meetings annually. The MAL is the first rung of the ascension to Chair of the council; the order is MAL, Secretary, Chair-elect and Chair. The duties of the MAL include:

1. Performing duties requested by the Chair.
2. Participating in meetings.
3. Disseminating information to members.

Candidates are expected to attend all council meetings at the 2018 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition, where they will present their interest and qualifications before a ballot election.

Nominations should be sent to Dr. Darwin Hayes, ADEA COHAEP Chair-elect, at smiledrhayes@gmail.com and Emily Rhineberger, ADEA Staff Liaison, at rhinebergere@adea.org. Please include the nominee’s contact information, current position and a short statement of interest.
Invitation to the 2017 ADEA Fall Meetings

The administrative board invites you to attend the 2017 ADEA Fall Meetings in Columbus, OH, from Wednesday, October 25 through Friday, October 27. We have programming on topics of interest to everyone involved in advanced dental education. Presentations include the following topics: Specialty Recognition and Licensure, Advanced Dental Admission Test (ADAT)—After the Pilot Year, Relevance of Specialties in Predoctoral Education and Beyond, Immigration Policies and Dental Residents. A Business Meeting will be held on October 26 in the afternoon. For registration or additional information, visit adea.org/fall.

Review of the 2017 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition

ADEA COHAEP held its annual Business Meeting during the 2017 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition in Long Beach, CA. Over 45 members and guests attended the meeting, which, in addition to the regular business of the Council, included presentations by invited guests. Dr. Cecile Feldman, Chair of the ADEA Board of Directors, reviewed three critical issues facing dental education that the Association will focus on for the foreseeable future: Changes in federal funding priorities with a new administration, licensure changes intended to eliminate live patient demonstrations, and curriculum reform addressed by the Competency and Credentialing Institute. Dr. Leon Assael echoed these issues and looked ahead to the theme of the 2018 Annual Session & Exhibition, which will be Vision 2030. He encouraged the Council to develop programming in line with this theme of envisioning a future only 12 years ahead.

Ms. Marcia Ditmyer presented an update on the Academic Leadership program for residents, a partnership between the Academy for Academic Leadership and the American Institute of Dental Public Health. Program directors with academically oriented residents were encouraged to consider this expanding program.

Dr. Monty MacNeil, candidate for Chair-elect of the ADEA Board of Directors, presented his vision for leadership of ADEA during his term and described his background to the Council. He echoed the direction that current Board members had described earlier.

Ms. Peggy Soeldner presented a brief update on changes in policies and procedures at the Commission on Dental Accreditation. The past year saw fewer major changes across disciplines, although she noted that every discipline currently has proposed standard revisions out for comment. She invites educators to stay current by visiting the CODA website or contacting staff with questions.

Dr. Heather Conrad was elected to the Board Director position, Dr. Craig Hirschberg was elected Member-at-Large, and Dr. Dave Shafer was nominated and appointed by the Administrative Board to fill the vacancy as Chair of the Administrative Board created by Dr. Conrad’s advancing to the ADEA Board of Directors.
Save the Date!

Be an ADEA COHAEP Delegate!
The Council is looking for individuals to serve as advanced dental education delegates to the ADEA House of Delegates (HOD) at the 2018 ADEA Annual Session & Exhibition. Delegates will represent ADEA COHAEP and must attend all Council and HOD meetings. More information about delegate responsibilities is available online.

Active ADEA COHAEP members can be nominated by sending their information to the staff liaison, Emily Rhineberger, at rhinebergere@adea.org by December 1, 2017. Members in advanced general dentistry are especially encouraged to be nominated. Self-nominations are accepted.

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