ASA Academic Caucus Summary
Saturday, 10/21/2017 – 7:00AM- 9:00AM
Westin Waterfront – Grand Ballroom A
Hosted by: Society of Academic Associations of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine (SAAAPM)

Format
The power to influence the direction of our specialty and the ASA is substantially improved by engagement of members of academic anesthesiology. The purpose of the academic caucus, formed in 2015, is to establish a forum at which academic anesthesiologists can voice their opinions regarding issues facing our specialty and our society. The agenda of the caucus is defined by the Director and Alternate Director for Academic Anesthesiology. A list of topics of importance to the academic anesthesiology community has been developed by these individuals. It would be helpful if ASA leadership would address these topics. Candidates for contested elections are invited to present for 5 minutes each at the end of the caucus. A light continental breakfast, hosted by SAAAPM, is available for attendees.

Timeline (Detailed Timeline/Agenda on Page 3)
7:00 AM to 7:02 AM (02 Min.) Introductions by Dr. Jeffrey Kirsch
7:02 AM to 8:20 AM (78 Min.) Discussion on Academic Caucus Topics
8:20 AM to 8:30 AM (10 Min.) 2 Minutes Offered to Each ASA Candidate in Contested Elections
8:30 AM to 9:00 AM (30 Min.) Open Forum and Wrap-Up

Academic Caucus Topics for ASA Officers
We have developed topics of discussion for the ASA Officers invited to the Academic Caucus. Please come prepared to address the following issues of importance to the Academic Caucus:

1. Strategic Planning: Please provide an update on the ASA Strategic Planning along with the current mission, vision, values, etc.
2. Celebrating Research and Other Scholarly Work: Please provide an update on accomplishing a presence for research on the ASA website.
3. January Stakeholder's Summit: Please provide an update on plans for the January Stakeholder’s Summit.
4. ASA Finances: Please provide an explanation of the ASA’s budget and discussion of the business review which lead to the conclusion that a CFO should be hired.
5. Perioperative Surgical Home (PSH): Members of the academic caucus have asked if it is possible to share the detailed approach for success within the PSH. Specifically, some members propose the following: as the national society representing our specialty the ASA has an obligation to their membership to make freely available the PSH models being developed and the evidence supporting their value. In addition, they should be actively collaborating with the Academic Caucus and sharing their methodologies and work product to ensure that we are training the next generation of anesthesiologists to understand these new patterns of practice and to work with maximum efficacy within them.
6. Professional Citizenship: The Academic Caucus will be asked if there is a consensus to request the Anesthesiology RRC add professional citizenship as a program requirement. Please comment on the ASA’s position of teaching professional citizenship.

Target Audience
- ASA Members in Academic Medicine. Invite sent to the entire SAAAPM Membership.
  - The Association of Academic Anesthesia Chairs (AAAC) representing the Chairs of the academic departments.
  - The Association of Anesthesiology Core Program Directors (AACP) representing ACGME designated core program directors.
  - The Association of Anesthesiology Subspecialty Program Directors (AASPD) representing the currently recognized subspecialty program directors.
  - The Association of Anesthesiology Program Administrators and Educators (AAPAE) representing program administrators and educators in AGCME approved programs.
Summary of Caucus

Introductions by Dr. Jeffrey Kirsch

The Academic Caucus was called to order at 7:00am. Jeffrey Kirsch provided background of the Academic Caucus and the reason for meeting. The individuals from Academic Anesthesiology that passed away the past year were recognized.

ASA Officers to Address Academic Caucus Topics

Strategic Planning: Jim Grant presented on the ASA Strategic Plan. The ASA Strategic Plan is reviewed every three years. This year (2017) the membership was asked to help develop the strategic plan versus developing it top-down. There are now seven pillars versus six.

Celebrating Research and Other Scholarly Work: Linda Mason provided an update on anesthesiology research. She asked everyone help develop leaders and get younger faculty involved in the ASA. The ASA wants to develop a better sense of community within the ASA. The ASA’s position on the Affordable Care Act along with the repeal, replace, and repair was discussed. There is now a tab on the ASA web site with research information.

January Stakeholder's Summit: Jim Grant provided an updated on the “Strategic Dialog Summit”. It is still in its early planning and the invite list has not yet been finalized. The deliverables are also currently being developed. Members of academic anesthesiology will be invited to participate.

Perioperative Surgical Home: Perioperative Surgical Home was briefly discussed and an update was provided.

Professional Citizenship: Professional Citizenship was discussed and if the ASA should advocate for it to be a ACGME requirement for all areas of medicine. It was recommended professional citizenship should be not only advocating for oneself and the specialty, but for patients as well.

ASA Finances

Mary Dale Peterson provided an update on the ASA finances. The Finance Department at the ASA was recently audited and consultants were hired to provide recommendations for efficiencies along with better forecasting. The Finance Department is being refreshed with new staff.

Healthy Brain Health Initiative

Lee Fleisher provided an update on the Healthy Brain Health Initiative and explained how it was developed. A microsite was just launched a few days ago.

Discussion on Reports and Recommendations in the Four Reference Committee Documents

Scientific Affairs: Howard Gutsein provided a summary of the reference committee documents. Environmental stability is being proposed to be a standing committee. There are appointments of Editors for Anesthesiology. The research tab has been launched on the web site. The ASA is submitting a position statement to the ACGME RRC that an Anesthesiology Chair be a licensed anesthesiologist.

Administrative Affairs: Herodotos Ellinas provided a summary of the reference committee documents. The Support for Resident Education, Global Health and Advocacy rotation funding was discussed. Updates on the Healthy Brain Initiative and Perioperative Surgical Home were also in the documents.

Professional Affairs: Colleen Koch provided a summary of the reference committee documents. The major item was ethics guidelines.
Financial Affairs: Piyush Mathur provided a summary of the reference committee documents. Many of the items in the Financial Affairs portion were discussed earlier. The one major topic was continuing to fund many face-to-face meetings the ASA has throughout the year.

FAER Updates
James C. Eisnach had a conflict and was unable to attend.

2 Minutes Offered to Each ASA Candidate in 2018 Contested Elections
Participating candidates were Dr. Claude D. Brunson & Dr. Beverly K. Phillip for 1st Vice President and Dr. Jeffrey Kirsch & Dr. Andy Rosenberg for Vice President for Scientific Affairs

Open Forum and Wrap-Up
The Academic Caucus was adjourned at 8:51am.