

Pittsburgh Ophthalmology Society Membership Meeting

MINUTES December 2, 2021

Dr. Stafford welcomed all (54 participants) to the meeting and introduced Thierry Verstraeten, MD who proceeded with the formal introduction of this evening's guest speaker Edwin Ryan, MD, Vitreoretinal Surgery, PLLC, Associate Clinical Professor Ophthalmology, University of Minnesota Department of Ophthalmology. The Resident Case presenter for the meeting was David Mora-Boellstorff, MD, 2nd Year Faculty at the UPMC Eye Center.

1st Lecture
Resident Presentation
2nd Lecture

Edwin Ryan, MD
David Mora-Boellstorff, MD
Edwin Ryan, MD

*Management of Patients with Vitreous Opacities
Rock, Paper...Rock+Scissors?
Management of Primary Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment - Lessons
from the PRO Study*

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order 5:55 pm Marshall Stafford, MD President	The meeting was called to order by Dr. Stafford. Dr. Stafford remarks included CME protocol and a reminder to text the code to the AHN number to confirm your attendance. Dr. Stafford addressed the new voting protocol to confirm candidates for membership. Beginning in January, voting to confirm a candidate will be included in the registration process for the upcoming meeting. All registrants are expected to confirm their approval for candidates who are listed. Candidates will be advised of their approval prior to the Business meeting. During the Business Meeting, the candidate will be recognized and welcomed as a POS member.	Confirmation of Candidate - NEW voting protocol. Beginning in January, voting to confirm a candidate will be included in the registration process for the upcoming meeting. All registrants are expected to confirm their approval for candidates who are listed.
Minutes of October 5 Marshall Stafford, MD	The minutes of the October 5 meeting were available for review. Dr. Stafford asked for a motion to approve. Motions were made to approve minutes. Vote was taken, all approved.	October 5, 2021 minutes were approved.
Treasurer's Report Laurie Roba, MD	Accounts are sound.	We are looking for a sponsor for the January meeting.

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<p>Membership Marshall Stafford, MD</p>	<p>Dr. Pennock presented the Membership report:</p> <p>Current members stand at 174 with a breakdown of: 111 active members; 27 residents and fellows; and 36 retired physicians.</p> <p>Confirmation of Candidate</p> <p>The following candidate has met the criteria for membership.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Jerome Finkelstein, MD</i> <p>A vote was taken and over $\frac{3}{4}$ of the members approved the confirmation. The criteria include endorsements by (3) active members of the society</p> <p>Introduction of Candidate</p> <p>Edward Kondrot, MD has submitted his application for membership in the POS. POS members endorsing his application include Lauren Pallan, MD; William Christie, MD; and Aaron Wang, MD.</p> <p>A vote by the membership to confirm Dr. Kondrot as a member in the POS will take place prior to the January 6 POS meeting. The ballot will be included in the registration for the meeting.</p>	<p>A vote was taken to confirm the following candidate for membership. The vote exceeded the minimum $\frac{3}{4}$ approval to confirm his acceptance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Jerome Finkelstein, MD <p>Introduction of Candidate for Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Edward Kondrot, MD <p>The January 6, 2022, registration will include a ballot to approve Dr. Kondrot as a member.</p>

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<p>Member Recognition Marshall Stafford, MD Robert Bergren, MD</p>	<p>Dr. Stafford congratulated the following POS members, each receiving distinguished honors from the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Kenneth Cheng, MD - 2021 Hall of Fame Award > Evan “Jake” Waxman, MD - 2021 Straatsma Award <p>Dr. Cheng and Dr. Waxman received their awards during the AAO Annual meeting, held in New Orleans on November 13-15, 2021.</p>	<p>Congratulations to Dr. Cheng and Dr. Waxman on their distinguished recognition by the American Academy of Ophthalmology.</p>
<p>Legislative Update Kenneth Cheng, MD</p>	<p>Dr. Cheng summarized the year end legislative activity and urged all to continue to support the PAO and AAO Surgical Scope Fund.</p>	
<p>57th Annual Meeting/ 42nd Ophthalmic Personnel Meeting Marshall Stafford, MD</p>	<p>March 11, 2022 / The Omni William Penn Hotel</p> <p>41st Harvey Thorpe Lecturer</p> <p>Uday Devgan, MD, FACS Clinical Professor Ophthalmology; Jules Stein Eye Institute at UCLA School of Medicine; Refractive and Cataract Surgeon, Devgan Eye Institute</p> <p>Guest Faculty include Emily Chew, MD; Jose-Alain Sahel, MD; Steve Sarkisian, Jr., MD.</p> <p>Brochures for each program will be emailed and mailed (physicians only) on or before January 15th. Registration begins January 28th.</p>	<p>57th Annual Meeting and 42nd Ophthalmic Personnel Meeting will take place March 11, 2022, at the Omni William Penn Hotel.</p>
<p>Sponsor Thank You Marshall Stafford, MD</p>	<p>Dr. Stafford thanked and acknowledged Regeneron for support of the meeting. Rep-resenting Regeneron were Karen Eastburn and Cara Hawks.</p>	<p>Thank you to Regeneron for sponsoring the program.</p>

No additional information was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Joel Brown, MD
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