Resolution No. 19-01

PROPOSAL FOR AN ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING TO REPLACE

THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES (HOD)

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio (corporation law) and OHFAMA Bylaws require an annual business meeting which is currently established by the House of Delegates; and

WHEREAS, only four podiatric components (CA, OH, NY and PA) still hold a HOD annually for their state business; and

WHEREAS, the annual cost of the House of Delegates is a budgeted expense of $8,000; and

WHEREAS, a formal investigation into the alternatives to a House of Delegates had never been undertaken before two separate member opinion surveys about preferred meeting models in May and June of 2019; and

WHEREAS, an independent committee, the OHFAMA House of Delegates Assessment Committee (OHAC), was formed by the OHFAMA Board of Trustees in 2019 for the purpose of investigation into the procedures, policies and opinions of the all contiguous 48 United States’ podiatry associations and their respective annual business meeting models; and

WHEREAS, OHAC did complete the investigation and reported its findings to the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the information and data collected from the OHAC research and surveys has determined that replacing the formal House of Delegates model with the less formal Annual Business Meeting model is in line with the annual business meeting models of most of the states in this country, accomplishes the same goals as the House of Delegates, is a shorter business meeting, has a potential cost savings of $6,000 - $7,000 annually to OHFAMA, had survey responses between neutral to approving in the majority of both surveys conducted of membership, and still allows all active members the opportunity to have transparency in with their leadership, maintain voting power in elections of future leaders and a voice in and approval of the annual OHFAMA budget; and

be it further

RESOLVED, that the changes to the OHFAMA Bylaws taking place between the 2019 and 2020 House of Delegates, with intent on approval at the 2020 House of Delegates, shall include a change in the annual business meeting reporting format from the current House of Delegates to an Annual Business Meeting.

Submitted by: OHFAMA Board of Trustees
Financial Impact: $1,000 (See attached)
RESOLUTION INFORMATION AND FINANCIAL IMPACT FORM

RESOLUTION SUBJECT: Proposal for an Annual Business Meeting to Replace the House of Delegates

SPONSORED BY: Board of Trustees

DATE SUBMITTED: 8/1/19

TYPE OF RESOLUTION: ☑ POLICY-RELATED

☐ DIRECTIVES-ORIENTED

(Policy-related resolutions provide a position statement or philosophy that the sponsor desires to have the House of Delegates ratify. Policy-related resolutions normally have no or limited budgetary impact. The Directives-Oriented resolutions call for specific assignments and activities to be carried out. Directives-Oriented resolutions almost always have a budgetary impact except in cases where the resolution calls for continuation of an already existing effort. Sponsors of resolutions must indicate the type of resolution upon submission.) APMA Administrative Procedures, pg. 15, lines 7-14

FINANCIAL IMPACT EXPLANATION

A financial impact statement shall be provided with every resolution that requires financial expenditures. The statement shall include a detailed explanation of the funds requested, not merely a total amount. A resolution will be returned to the sponsor for failure to provide a financial impact statement or if the financial impact statement is incomplete. The sponsors of resolutions are expected to seek assistance from [OHFAMA] staff in preparing the financial impact statement and must take into consideration both the direct and indirect costs related to the tasks or projects associated with the resolution. APMA Administrative Procedures, pg. 16, lines 4-10

OHFAMA STAFF MEMBER CONSULTED:

JIMELLE RUMBERG

DIRECT COSTS:

STAFF TIME, MEETING MATERIALS.

MARKETING, LUNCH.

INDIRECT COSTS:

NONE.

TOTAL FINANCIAL IMPACT OF RESOLUTION: $1,000.

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DATE REVIEWED: 8/1/19

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER TO RESOLUTION:

NOTES/COMMENTS: