

Midwestern Society of Orthodontists Top 10 2018 AAO Annual Session Highlights for MSO vs 5.8.18

- 1) The Midwestern Society of Orthodontists (MSO) was well-represented by these MSO leaders serving as delegates at the 2018 American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) House: **Drs. Spencer Pope** - Chair; **Ali Fallgatter** - Vice Chair, **Daniel Keith**, **Ara Goshgarian**, **Deb Lien**, **Jackie Miller** and **Dennis Sommers**; alternates **Ross Crist**, **Mark Dake**, **Nellie Kim-Weroha** and **Kim Stafford**. **Dr. Nellie Kim-Weroha** was welcomed as a new member of the delegation.
- 2) MSO delegates, family and colleagues stood in support of MSO's **Dr. Brent Larson** at the close of his address following installation as the 2018 – 2019 AAO President. **Dr. Deb Lien** was recognized at the House at the completion of her term of service as MSO's representative on the Council on Governmental Affairs (COGA). **Dr. Ara Goshgarian** serves as MSO's new representative on COGA.
- 3) MSO was well represented in Reference Committees with **Dr. Kim Stafford** serving on Reference Committee 2 and **Dr. Deb Lien** serving on Reference Committee 3. **Dr. Dennis Sommers** reported as the Chair of the Committee on Credentials.
- 4) MSO leaders were the all stars at the AAO Excellence in Orthodontics Awards Ceremony with **Dr. Brent Larson** receiving the AAOF Louise Ada Jarabak Memorial International Teachers and Research Award and **Dr. Steve Litton** the AAO James E. Brophy Distinguished Service Award.
- 5) The AAO House approved continuing an AAO Consumer Awareness Program (CAP) assessment for all U.S. and Canadian active and affiliate members (active academic members excluded) at a rate of \$600 per member for FY2018-2019 and be renewed at \$800 per year beginning in FY2019-2020 and continuing in FY2020-2021 and FY2021-2022. Applications for matching component CAP grants will be accepted by AAO until May 31, 2018 with funding to be spent by May 31, 2019. Unused funds from the component matching grant budget will be applied toward the AAO CAP.
- 6) The House of Delegates approved the new AAO Strategy Map for FY2018-2021:
 - a. Mission: To advance our members success through education, advocacy, and research that drive excellence in patient care
 - b. Vision: All orthodontic care is provided by qualified specialists who successfully address patient needs
 - c. Core Values: Our members come first; we are inclusive; we are data-driven; we seek active engagement; we are ethical
 - d. Goals and Objectives: Promote & defend our specialty; engage & delight our members; drive transformation & innovation
 - e. Strategic Initiatives: Public & member communications; advocacy & unity; discovery & innovation
- 7) Other key House of Delegates actions included:
 - a. Unanimous approval for a member of the Council on New and Younger Members to attend each regularly scheduled meeting of the AAO Board of Trustees.
 - b. Unanimous approval of the proposed budget with annual dues remaining the same.
 - c. Increasing funding for the Component Legal Support Fund.
 - d. Annually hosting Professional Advocacy and Leadership Development Conferences.
 - e. Reinstating a full-time faculty fellowship program for 2019 – 2021.
 - f. Studying the House schedule and amending Virtual House of Delegates procedures.
 - g. Updating policies on Craniofacial Treatment, House Closed Session and Diversity.
 - h. Creating task forces to study big data and concerns specific to women orthodontists.
- 8) An AAO consumer alert distributed in registrant packets is posted on AAO's consumer website:
https://aaoinfo.org/1/online-orthodontic-companies?bt_ee=sLOk4CHHKVn1TkiZBFYvujZYLWpC3E26GZ3y8V8WLM+ygiIGSkNlevDIRGZqIKGpADySxhxGAd01u6ev3/ZhA==&bt_ts=1522427332294
- 9) Save the date of May 3 - 7 for the 2019 AAO Annual Session in Los Angeles where **Dr. John Kanyusik** serves as Planning Committee General Chair and **Dr. Brent Larson** as president.
- 10) Bring your team to the 2018 MSO Annual Session September 21-22 at Radisson Blu Mall of America in Minnesota. Go to www.msortho.org for info.