

Midwestern Society of Orthodontists Top 10 2022 AAO House of Delegates Highlights for MSO vs 5.25.2022

- 1) Thanks to these Midwestern Society of Orthodontists (MSO) delegates for successfully representing MSO members during the American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) House of Delegates (HOD) held May 20 – 23 in Miami Beach, Florida: **Drs. Ali Fallgatter** - Chair; **Nellie Kim-Weroha** - Vice Chair, **Mark Dake**, **Daniel Keith**, **Deb Lien**, **Dennis Sommers**, **Emily Willett** and alternates **Keri Barrow**, **Randall Markarian**, and **Estee Wang**. MSO recognized **Dr. Fallgatter's** leadership as she concludes her three-year term as the delegation chair.
- 2) **Dr. Kim-Weroha** served on Reference Committee 1 and **Dr. Fallgatter** as chair of Reference Committee 2.
- 3) **Dr. Lauren Pass** of Illinois was recognized by the House of Delegates to begin service representing AAO as a new At Large Trustee on the AAO Board of Trustees.
- 4) AAO announced at the House that MSO's nominee **Dr. John Kanyusik** of Minnesota will receive the 2023 AAO James E. Brophy AAO Distinguished Service Award at next year's AAO Annual Session in Chicago.
- 5) **Dr. Kim-Weroha** was recognized for her service on the 2022 AAO Annual Session Planning Committee. She also serves on AAO's CCon (AAO Committee on Conferences and Meetings) along with **Dr. Daniel Keith** to strategically implement all future AAO meetings. AAO announced that as of Monday, there were 4,742 doctors and 11,798 total registered for the in-person meeting, plus 1,802 doctors and 2,007 total for the virtual format.
- 6) MSO Trustee **Dr. Mike Durbin** was thanked in the AAO President-Elect's address for his continued service as the chair of the AAO Covid-19 Task Force.
- 7) The House shortened the total term of service to nine years on the AAO Board of Trustees by having the President-Elect also serve simultaneously as the constituent Trustee. AAO leaders are encouraged to take an AAO recommended Implicit Bias Training course that AAO will make available to all members. A Special Committee on Constituent Collaboration was developed.
- 8) The AAO House of Delegates (HOD) increased AAO dues by 3% to be billed at \$817 for U.S. active members. The FY22-23 Consumer Awareness Program (CAP) budget of \$5 million will be funded by a \$500 per member assessment for all US and Canadian Active members (active academic members excluded) with the balance drawn from excess liquid reserves.
- 9) MSO had a trifecta with award winners at the ABO reception: **Dr. Rolf Behrents** – Albert H. Ketcham memorial Award, **Dr. Carla Evans** – Dale B. Wade Award of Excellence in Orthodontics, **Dr. John Kanyusik** - O.B. Vaughan Special Recognition Award.
- 10) Watch for registration and housing information coming soon from the Southern Association of Orthodontists (SAO) office for the 2022 MSO/SAO/SWSO Annual Session to be held November 3 – 5. **Dr. Tom Stark** of Iowa will be receiving the MSO Earl E. Shepard Distinguished Service Award at this meeting to be held at the Hilton in downtown Austin.