Scott Schwahn, AAHP President

Well, one thing for sure that I’ve been experiencing (and enjoying!) over the last 6 months of being President is that it is a position of service, not to be taken lightly. While there are many issues that can be delegated, many need to be handled personally. Other positions in the Academy Executive Committee typically have a more focused role, but they all require three years of commitment. So please offer your thanks to the new 3-year elected members of the Executive Committee starting in 2022!

President-Elect Designate: Carolyn MacKenzie, CHP
Secretary Designate: Willie Harris, CHP
Director Designate: Edwin Njoku, CHP

With the theme of service at the forefront of my mind, we need a few hours (not years!) from about a couple dozen Academy members. Specifically, you. Yes, you.

First, we need some CHPs to proctor the Part 2 ABHP exam at the Phoenix meeting on Monday, July 26. This is a great way to support the Academy and those hopeful CHPs who are taking the exam. If you can do this, please say YES right away to Exam Site Committee Chair Kara Beharry at <karabeharry@hotmail.com>. We need these proctors identified ASAP.

Second, we need some Academy members to take a position at the AAHP/ABHP booth throughout the week at the HPS meeting in Phoenix. We need to fill multiple 2-hour slots during Exhibit Hall hours. Professional Development Chair Jim Tarpinian <jim.tarpinian@gmail.com> will be in charge of staffing. While he will have a signup sheet at the booth, it is best to get as many volunteers to commit to a time slot in advance as possible. Please volunteer.

Which brings me to one last thought regarding service. ALL members of AAHP committees, liaisons, and appointed positions, and the ABHP and its panels, are volunteers. And the Secretariat is brand new. Before you contact any of us to complain about something that you believe has not gone quite right, please consider toning down your language. We're all committed to doing the right thing, and many are learning their new roles. It takes time. We're keenly aware when patterns of failure occur and are actively addressing them. So please ask for help when you need it, but don't expect or demand perfection. We'll get as close as we can as quickly as we can.

And a reminder... please sign up for the excellent Continuing Education Courses being presented both live and virtually at the HPS meeting in Phoenix. You can see details here: https://www.aahp-abhp.org/civicrm/event/info?id=5. At 4-hour courses you will earn 8 Continuing Education Credits (CECs), and at 8-hour courses you will earn 16 CECs.

I hope to see many of you in Phoenix!

Scott

CALL FOR AAHP NOMINATIONS

Kyle Kleinhans, 2021 AAHP Nominating Committee Chair

The AAHP Nominating Committee is seeking candidates to run for Academy offices on the 2022 ballot. Successful candidates will take office on January 1, 2023. We need nominees for the offices
of President-elect, Treasurer, and Director. All three positions are three-year terms.

Nominees must be:
1. Current plenary members of the Academy (either active or emeritus), and
2. Not serving an appointment to either of the Exam Panels, or as a member of the ABHP, at the time that they take office.

The Executive Committee meets in person once per year, during the HPS annual meeting. The President-elect serves one year followed by one year as President and a third year as Past-President. The President-elect is responsible for filling Academy Committees, and as President, presiding over the AAHP meetings. The past-President is responsible to organize and host the AAHP Special Session at the annual HPS meeting. The Treasurer serves two years as Treasurer and a third year as Past Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee. The Treasurer is responsible to oversee: 1) the collection and disbursement of the Academy’s funds done by the Secretariat, and 2) the investment of Academy funds according to the Academy’s investment policy. The Directors attend the AAHP Executive Committee meetings and perform duties as requested by the President.

Please contact any member of the Nominating Committee to volunteer or nominate someone for service by October 15, 2021. Committee members are listed in the table below with the year that their term expires.

You may also contact me directly at klink17@tds.net or at 865-919-8525.

Kyle Kleinhans (’22)
Dave Medich, (Ex Officio, ABHP designee) (’22)
Jason Flora (’23)
Sam Keith (’22)
Angela Leek (’22)
Andy Miller (’23)
Tim Barvitskie (’23)
Krishnendu Saha (’21)
James Powell (’22)

The AAHP mourns the loss of Krista Wenzel, CHP. Please read about her life here: http://hps.org/aboutthesociety/people/inmemoriam/KristaKayWenzel.html