

Association of University Cardiologists
57th Annual Meeting
Carmel Valley Ranch
Carmel, CA
January 24-26, 2018

Business Meeting, Friday, January 26th, 2018, 8:00-9:00 AM

The meeting was called to order by President Anne Curtis.

The following members were memorialized:

Nancy Flowers, remembered by Susan Smyth. Dr. Flowers' husband, daughter, and son-in-law were in attendance.

JA Abildskov, remembered by William Barry. Dr. Abildskov was a founding member of the AUC whose 2014 passing was not noted at the time.

Bramah Singh, remembered by Sumeet Chugh

Rolf Gunnar, remembered by Anne Curtis.

A moment of silence followed. Members were reminded to notify Nancy Norman at ntnorman@buffalo.edu if they become aware that another member has passed.

Members were advised that they now have the option of paying their membership dues by credit card directly on the website if they wish.

Financial Report: Dr. Curtis provided the financial report due to the absence of the Secretary/Treasurer, Emelia Benjamin.

Dr. Curtis started by informing the members that the organization was in arrears by \$6,164.55 at the end of the first quarter of 2017. This shortfall was primarily caused by the non-payment of dues, in some cases for several years. Outstanding dues owed to the organization at that time totaled \$21,650.

The following corrective actions were taken in 2017 to strengthen the organization's financial outlook:

- Membership dues were raised
- All back dues were collected or memberships terminated
- The registration fee for the annual meeting was raised and a guest fee was instituted.

Dr. Curtis discussed the financial projections for 2018. Income from dues was conservatively estimated and projected expenses are slightly overstated. If deposits remain strong at year's end the council will discuss reducing the registration fee for the 2020 annual meeting.

Future Meetings:

2019 Annual Meeting: January 23-25 at the **Grand Beach Surfside, Miami, FL**

2020 Annual Meeting: Will take place in **Tucson, AZ**. Exact location TBD.

2021 Annual Meeting: The general membership voted overwhelmingly to return to **Carmel Valley Ranch**.

2018 AUC Council Members and Officers were approved:

President: Robert Simari

Vice President Emelia Benjamin

Treasurer/Secretary: Sumeet Chugh

Immediate Past President: Anne Curtis

Councilor: Susan Smyth – starting second year of three year term.

Councilor: Michelle Albert: starting first year of three year term

Councilor: Charles Lowenstein: starting first year of three year term.

2018 Newly Proposed Members:

1. Theodore Abraham, UCSF
2. Ken Fujise, University of Texas, Galveston
3. Edward Gerstenfeld, UCSF
4. Mohamed Hamden, University of Wisconsin
5. Iris Jaffe, Tufts Medical Center
6. Jeffrey Kuvin, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center
7. Samia Mora, Brigham and Women's Hospital
8. Anthony Rosenzweig, Cardiovascular Institute of Boston
9. Flora Sam, Whitaker Cardiovascular Institute, Boston
10. John Spertus, University of Missouri, Kansas City.

All newly proposed members were approved by the general membership.

New Business:

Member dues will remain the same for 2018

- Active: \$600
- Emeritus/Honorary/Inactive: \$300

Meeting registration fees will change as follows for the 2019 annual meeting

- Member registration fees: \$325
- Guest Fees: \$100

The reason for the change in registration fee is that having the dues fee the same amount as the registration fee caused some confusion about what was being paid. At their annual meeting, the council decided that going forward the registration fee would always be slightly different than any of the dues amounts.

CME Credits being investigated for 2019: The executive administrator will research what needs to be done to offer CME credits, and what costs would be incurred. The council will then determine if CME credits can be offered.

Annual meeting registration: We hope to be able to offer online registration for the meeting beginning in mid-year.

President Simari gifted Immediate Past President Curtis with a ceremonial gavel in acknowledgement of her service to the organization.

President Simari concluded the 2018 AUC Business Meeting