

July Board Meeting Overview

Thursday, July 21 and Friday, July 22, 2016

- The meeting was called to order by President, Dr. Ian Windmill.
- The Board discussed challenges and strategic opportunities faced by the Academy as well as the field of audiology over the span of the next 5 years.
- The Board reviewed the NAS report and how the findings impact the Academy.
- President, Dr. Ian Windmill requested that all committees provide a status update on all tasks in preparation of the strategic planning session in September.
- The PR committee was tasked with developing an expert consensus document on pediatric hearing care.
- The Hearing Protection Act was discussed.
- The Academy discussed document life cycle management and a need to update and archive documents.
- The Board reviewed the process for responding to ethical complaints.
- President Windmill will form a task force to define recommendations for hearing healthcare in the adult population.
- The Board moved into Executive Session.
- The DiscoveryZone (DZ) chair has stepped down, and it will not be delivered in the previous program at AudiologyNOW! 2017. The Board discussed the future opportunities for DZ-type outreach and education.
- The Board identified conferences that should have Academy representation for 2016-2017.
- President Windmill requested all board members to submit a list of conferences they are scheduled to attend during the 2016-2017 term to leverage their attendance.
- The term of office for all Academy committees was changed to be in alignment with the Board term.
- An Academy Endorsement program was discussed and will be revisited after September.
- The May and June investment report was reviewed.
- The Academy's Investment Manager, UBS, provided a review of the Academy's investment portfolio, an update on the current state of the market as well as a long term and short investment market analysis.
- The Academy's 990 and 990T was reviewed by the Board, no questions were raised.
- The Board met with Platinum Partners representatives from Oticon, Signia and Starkey to discuss future opportunities for the Academy and the field of audiology.
- The Board decided to outsource IT support and maintenance.
- The Academy's tele-audiology toolkit will be updated by the GRC.
- Consumer Reports article, *Hearing Aid Buying Guide* was discussed and a letter to the Editor is being drafted in response to the inaccuracies found in the article.
- The following motions were approved by the Board:
 - To remain silent on the Hearing Protection Act.
 - To approve the Consent Agenda.
 - To align the committee term to the Board term, ending Sept. 30, 2017.
 - To approve the AN!2018 and AN!2019 Program Chair appointments.
 - To approve the 2017 Nominations Committee.
 - To approve Treasurer's Report.
 - To approve the Mindshift Gold Plus proposal.
- The meeting was adjourned.