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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Looking Back – Moving Forward

Sometimes it's helpful to reflect briefly on where we started and how far we've come, so if you'll bear with me for just a moment, I would like to highlight a few changes CAAHEP has undergone since our formation twenty-four years ago. When formed in 1994, CAAHEP accredited only seventeen professions, five of which are no longer accredited by CAAHEP. Today, however, CAAHEP is the accreditor for thirty-two professions under twenty-five committees on accreditation, and fourteen of those professions have been added just in the past ten years. At least one additional profession is currently preparing to seek entry under the CAAHEP accreditation umbrella. As you can see, CAAHEP is a dynamic organization, and, I think you will agree, it has taken both exceptional staff and excellent professional volunteers to create and maintain the CAAHEP "gold standard" of healthcare programmatic accreditation. It was my privilege to work with these remarkable professional leaders, the Board, the Staff, the Committees, Commissioners and Liaisons during my 2017-18 presidency.



2017-18 was an important and productive year for CAAHEP, as we wrapped up our three-year strategic plan, a plan which was begun under the very capable leadership of my predecessor, then-President Dr. Thom Skalko. Although there are still a few important final pieces to put into place, the new web-based solutions have moved us into a new higher level of online presence and resources. CAAHEP, in collaboration with the Committees on Accreditation, has responded effectively to increasing demands for transparency and accountability, and that trend seems likely to continue.

Three information-packed, engaging and fun-filled meetings were planned and conducted, in April, January and July. The Planning Committee put together a very successful annual meeting in Louisville, KY, where participants enjoyed dynamic and informative speakers, valuable networking, delicious food and refreshments, and great entertainment. We also had the opportunity to recognize our

valued friend and colleague, Dr. Hugh Bonner, who having given so much valuable time and talent to CAAHEP, was awarded the annual William W. Goding Award for Exceptional Service.

Working with the CAAHEP community has been, and continues to be, an honor and a privilege, and serving as president was certainly a highlight of my professional career. I have learned more than I've taught, received more than I've given, and made wonderful friends that will last a lifetime. Thank you.

Carolyn

Carolyn O'Daniel, EdD, RRT
CAAHEP President 2017-2018



FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The fiscal year ended very well for CAAHEP. The total assets increased from the previous year but despite an increase in our liabilities, the end of the fiscal year's net assets was a lot higher. Clearly CAAHEP will have more than sufficient funds to accomplish its goals as we look to develop a new strategic plan for the immediate future.



Gregory Ferenchak, EdD, RT(R)(QM)

CAAHEP Treasurer

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2018 (compared to June 30, 2017)

Revenue	2018	2017
Membership Fees	\$ 978,996	\$ 962,404
Annual Meeting Revenue	36,325	37,723
Other Revenue	35,385	33,505
Total Revenue	\$ 1,051,606	\$ 1,033,632
EXPENDITURES		
Personnel, Consulting & Professional Services	\$ 650,164	\$ 650,385
Publications, Dues & Subscriptions	16,000	13,239
Meetings & Travel	244,628	296,248
Office/Administrative Fees	73,284	61,617
Research & Special Projects	--	11,054
Depreciation	42,249	42,568
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,026,325	\$ 1,075,111
Unrealized Loss (Gains)	(58,586)	(132,343)
Total Expenditures & Losses	\$ 966,739	\$ 942,768
Changes in Net Assets	84,867	90,864
Prior Period Adjustment	(3,016)	(1,633)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$ 1,901,484	\$ 1,812,253
Net Assets, End of Year	\$ 1,983,335	\$ 1,901,484

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2018
(with comparative financial information for June 30, 2017)

Assets	2018	2017
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 455,775	\$ 423,833
Prepaid Expenses	44,275	24,793
Total Current Assets	500,050	448,626
Investments	\$ 1,575,492	\$ 1,501,246
Fixed Assets, Net	\$ 343,211	385,461
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,418,753	\$ 2,335,333
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts Payable & Accrued Liabilities	\$ 19,786	12,832
Accrued Annual Leave	9,506	4,967
Deferred Income	406,126	416,050
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 435,418	\$ 433,849
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	\$ 1,983,335	\$ 1,901,484
Total Net Assets	1,983,335	1,901,484
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 2,418,753	\$ 2,335,333

2017-2018 YEAR IN REVIEW

CAAHEP continued to work on behalf of all of the professions in CAAHEP throughout the 2017-2018 fiscal year. We are proud of the strides made to complete the 2016-2018 Strategic Plan, and all of the accomplishments our Committees on Accreditation made over the year. Here are the highlights of what was accomplished for each Strategic Goal:

1. Branding & Growth: Expand the recognition of the CAAHEP Brand

- a. Conducted surveys of our communities of interests (programs, CoAs, and Commissioners) and found that CAAHEP is meeting the needs of our communities. CAAHEP continues to bring webinars to programs and Committees on Accreditation on topics identified throughout the year.
- b. By updating and promoting the PBS Spotlight on Accreditation video through the CAAHEP website and social media, the educational video on the importance of selecting an education program that is accredited has increased to 6.8K views.
- c. Following each Board of Directors meeting, CAAHEP promotes the accreditation of each program receiving accreditation through social media outlets, as well as follows each accredited program on their social media sites, promoting the activities of each program.
 - i. CAAHEP's Twitter campaign sent out nearly 700 Tweets the last fiscal year, resulting in 3,462 profile visits, 163 new followers, and 166.4K impressions
 - ii. CAAHEP's Facebook campaign not only included program accreditation activities, but also sponsoring organizations' events related to education and students.
 - iii. CAAHEP created an Instagram account this year, with minimal activity to date.
 - iv. CAAHEP's YouTube Channel is up to 7.5K views
 - v. CAAHEP's website experienced 498,754 visits

2. Services: Deliver unparalleled services to constituents/stakeholders/customers

- a. CAAHEP upgraded its IT servers and its website.
- b. Work continues on a more functional database and reporting system.

3. Advocacy: Influence public policy regarding programmatic accreditation in allied health

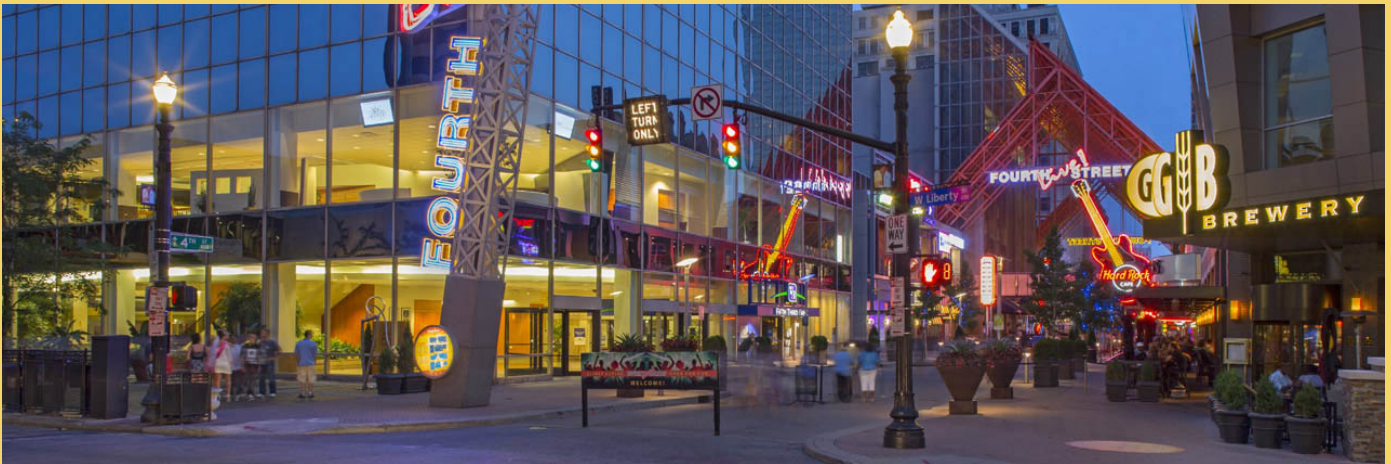
- a. A Public Policy Committee was appointed.
- b. Information and releases were shared and distributed to the CAAHEP Board as warranted.
- c. Response letters were sent as requested.

4. Operational Excellence: Strengthen the efficiency and effectiveness of operations throughout CAAHEP

- a. All CoA Standards Interpretation Guides were reviewed to assure they were in compliance with CAAHEP policies and procedures.
- b. Educational sessions were conducted at CAAHEP meetings to assist in addressing questions about CAAHEP policies and Standards.
- c. A review of CAAHEP's Standards Template is currently underway and edits will be forthcoming in the new fiscal year.
- d. A Policy Manual template for new CoAs was developed.
- e. Communication following each Board meeting to CAAHEP liaisons continues to assist in keeping liaisons informed of Board actions so they can better serve the CoAs.

Annual Meeting of Commissioners

The 2018 Annual Meeting was held at the Hyatt Regency in Louisville, Kentucky. The meeting's theme was "CAAHEP Accreditation: The Gateway to the Future," and actions taken at the meeting certainly moved us forward into the future with new Board Members elected, additional sponsoring organizations approved, and new professions added under the CAAHEP umbrella.



The April meeting brought the new professions – Orthoptics and Rehabilitation/Disability Studies – into the CAAHEP fold. With the professions, the Committee on Accreditation of Orthoptic Fellowship Programs (CoA-OF) and the Committee on Rehabilitation Accreditation (CoRA) became official CAAHEP CoAs.

A number of new Sponsoring Organizations were approved at the meeting, as well:

- American Orthoptic Council
- National Rehabilitation Counseling Association
- American Medical Technologists
- National Healthcareer Association

In addition, the application for a new CoA for Clinical Postgraduate PAs was approved after the sponsor was approved last fiscal year. However, shortly after the Annual Meeting, the Postgraduate PAs decided that the accrediting body of the PA programs would be a better fit and dropped its enrollment as a profession in CAAHEP.

Elections for the 2018-2019 Board of Directors took place and the following Commissioners were elected to the CAAHEP Board, with terms beginning July 1, 2018:

- Donald Balasa, JD
- Barry Eckert, PhD
- Stacey Ocander, EdD
- Catherine Rienzo, MS, RDMS, RT(R)
- Jennifer Spegal, CMA (AAMA), MT, Med

Glenda Carter, PhD, also joined the Board in July 2018 as the new Public Member Commissioner. Dr. Carter is the Executive Vice President, Accreditation Liaison, and Professor of Education at Wiley College in Marshall, Texas. She is filling the position being vacated by Pauletta Brown Bracy, PhD, who completed her second term as CAAHEP Public Member Commissioner.

There was an abundance of education sessions during the day and a half Annual Meeting, including:

- “The Next Generation of Employer Leadership” Jason Tyszko, MA, Executive Director, Center for Education & Workforce, U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Washington, DC
- “Washington Update” Elise Scanlon, J.D., Elise Scanlon Law Group, Washington, DC
- “The Expanding Role of Employers in Preparing the Healthcare Workforce” Jackie Beard, Norton Healthcare and Christie Ralston, Norton Healthcare
- “NC-SARA – What is the Current Status and the Future of State Authorization Agreements?” Marshall A. Hill, PhD, Executive Director, NC-SARA, Boulder, CO
- “Curriculum Mapping” Jackie Long-Goding, PhD, RRT-NPS, Executive Director of JRC-CVT & CoA-NDT, Whitinsville, MA and Glen Mayhew, DHSc, NRP, Dean for Institutional Effectiveness, Chair, Rehabilitation & Wellness Department, Jefferson College of Health Sciences, Roanoke, VA



During a break-out session for Sponsors only, CAAHEP staff presented an overview of what's "Behind the Curtain that is CAAHEP," and CAAHEP Past President Thomas Skalko, discussed "The Value of Sponsorship in CAAHEP." During Dr. Skalko's session, he shared where the majority of sponsorship dues fees go, which includes:

- CAAHEP and CoA Board Liability Insurance - \$7,000/year
- Legal services and support – can reach tens of thousands
- Go-to-Meeting/Webinar and Survey Monkey - \$5,500/year
- Accreditation and Educational Tools Development - thousands
- CoA Scholarships to attend professional accreditors meetings - \$8,000/year
- CoA Member attendance at CAAHEP Leadership Conference and Summer Workshop - \$ 168,000/year
- CHEA Recognition – significant staff resources

There was also a highlight of two new professions to CAAHEP: Orthoptics and Rehabilitation/Disabilities Studies. Representatives from CAAHEP accredited programs in attendance had the opportunity to ask questions of CoA representatives from the Diagnostic Medical Sonography, EMS – Paramedic, Medical Assisting and Surgical Technology Committees on Accreditation.

Accreditation Activities

CAAHEP celebrated the accreditation of the first two Assistive Technology programs this year. At the May 2018 meeting, the CAAHEP Board approved the initial accreditation of the Master of Science Program in Health and Rehabilitation Services, with a concentration on Rehabilitation Science and Technology (MSRT program) at the University of Pittsburgh. In addition, the Certificate in Assistive Technology & Accessible Design (Graduate) at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee was also granted accreditation. Assistive Technology is one of the newer professions under the CAAHEP umbrella. The profession first became a part of CAAHEP in 2015, and worked diligently to develop the educational Standards and Guidelines. The Assistive Technology Standards were approved by the Board in 2016.



CHEA Activities

CAAHEP submitted responses to questions posed by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) about CAAHEP's progress report. CHEA is pressing for even more transparency in how CAAHEP reports its accreditation actions and on how programs report outcomes. Up until this fiscal year, CAAHEP reported on the citations of programs being placed on probation, and CHEA now requires that all CAAHEP accreditation actions include citations, whether or not the program achieves initial or continuing accreditation. In addition, CHEA requires that CAAHEP provide additional information on the programs receiving accreditation but have no citations. These CHEA-required changes required CAAHEP to re-write policies and change the CAAHEP Standards template. These new CHEA requirements precipitated the following changes (in red) in the CAAHEP Policy on public disclosure:

*CAAHEP will **publish the citations of unmet Standards** that appear in accreditation award letters.*

However, except as stated above, CAAHEP and its CoAs will hold as confidential the following documents and the information contained therein:

- 1. Self-Study **Reports***
- 2. Site Visit **Reports***
- 3. All Progress Reports*
- 4. All correspondence between CAAHEP, the CoAs, and the programs which relates to the accreditation process (including the appeals process, as applicable).*

Institutions may release any of the above information, at their discretion. CAAHEP and its CoAs will not make public any of the above documents without the permission of the institution, unless the institution misrepresents the information either through public statements or release of selected sections of documents.

In the case of Probationary Accreditation, CAAHEP will release the full award letter upon request.

These confidentiality requirements shall be waived for any of the above documents when CAAHEP or its CoAs are required to turn over information by a bona fide judicial or governmental process.

Committees on Accreditation Activities

With two additional related health professions voted as eligible to participate in CAAHEP this past year, the total number of professions under the CAAHEP umbrella rose to 32. The CAAHEP office continues to receive inquiries from allied health professions interested in becoming part of the Commission. The 25 Committees on Accreditation do the day-to-day work of accreditation, reviewing programs in their specific professional area, working with programs as they move through the CAAHEP accreditation process, and formulating accreditation recommendations, which are then considered by the CAAHEP Board of Directors. There are four CoAs providing these services to more than one profession. CAAHEP staff continues to assist several of the smaller or newer CoAs that have no paid staff with one-on-one guidance and support at no charge to the CoA. CAAHEP also continues to offer support to all of the CoAs with services such as legal guidance, free use of Go to Meetings/Go to Webinar services, access to Survey Monkey services, promotion of accreditation in new professions to institutions already in the CAAHEP database, monthly newsletters, and a webpage on the CAAHEP website to name just a few. CAAHEP also continued to support the CoAs with the scholarship fund for CoA staff to attend the meetings of the Association of Specialized and Professional Accreditors (ASPA).

CAAHEP congratulates the CoAEMSP on their 40th anniversary. One of the original professional areas that was under the AMA, then CAHEA (which is now CAAHEP), the EMS-Paramedic program has grown tremendously and is now the largest profession in CAAHEP. Please join CAAHEP in congratulating CoAEMSP on this anniversary!



CAAHEP Standards

The CAAHEP Standards Committee meets on a monthly basis to review one or more Standards. Over the past fiscal year, the Committee reviewed 10 sets of Standards. Public comments were collected and an open hearing for the *Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Lactation Consultant Education Programs* was conducted, culminating in approval of the Standards in May 2018.

After review and collecting public comments, changes to the Appendix B of the *Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation Educational Programs in Orthotics and Prosthetics* were approved in July 2017. In addition, the revisions to the *Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in Neurodiagnostic Technology* were approved in November 2017.

In addition, the Standards Committee conducted two interactive sessions with Committees on Accreditation this past year. The CoA Summer Workshop session focused on how CoAs interpret various Standards and the process that CoAs use to review site visitor reports and communicate their findings. During the January Leadership Conference, the Committee obtained feedback from CoA leaders on the Template language, specifically clarity of the language and the interpretation of the language.

Program Support

In addition to hosting a special break-out session for Program Directors at the CAAHEP Annual Meeting, a special webinar was conducted entitled “A Consideration of Program Director Leadership in Nationally Accredited Programs,” presented by Gordon Kokx, PhD, NRT. The hour-long webinar was offered free-of-charge to directors of CAAHEP accredited programs. The session was recorded and posted on the CAAHEP website for those unable to attend the live session.



William W. Goding Award for Exceptional Services

During the Annual Meeting, CAAHEP bestowed the William W. Goding Exceptional Service Award to Hugh Bonner, PhD. The William W. Goding Award for Exceptional Service is the highest honor awarded by CAAHEP. It is reserved for those who are or have been Commissioners. It recognizes an individual who has served the Commission in word and deed, i.e., has spoken with conviction about the work of the Commission, advanced its purposes, and actively participated in the Commission’s activities at a high level for a sustained period of time. The recipient is someone who is respected by other Commissioners but is not currently a Board member.

The criteria for the award are as follows:

- Advancing CAAHEP's mission and goals
- Assuming leadership responsibilities within CAAHEP (e.g., chairing committees and task forces, serving as an officer, assuming responsibility for CAAHEP special programs, etc.)
- Exhibiting notable participation in one or more CAAHEP activities and/or programs
- Advancing ideas and/or new strategies to benefit the organization

Dr. Bonner served on the CAAHEP Board for two terms, serving as President of the organization, and has volunteered on numerous Board Committees and sub-committees. He developed CAAHEP's Generalist Site Visitor program, along with Dr. Gregory Frazer, which allowed Committees on Accreditation to utilize subject-matter experts to focus on the content of the program during site visits, while the generalists focused on administrative items. In addition, Dr. Bonner served as a Board Liaison to the Accreditation Review Committee for the Anesthesiologist Assistant.

Dr. Bonner's dedication and service to CAAHEP over the years has advanced CAAHEP's missions and goals, and epitomizes the meaning of the of the William W. Goding Award for Exceptional Service.



**Hugh Bonner, PhD
2018 Award Recipient**



Jackie Long-Goding, Hugh Bonner, and Carolyn O'Daniel present the William Goding Award for Exceptional Service

SUMMARY OF ACCREDITATION ACTIONS

At the conclusion of the 2017-2018 fiscal year, CAAHEP had 2,249 accredited programs in 28 professions. Committees on Accreditation from four of the newer professions (Orthoptics, O&P Assistant, Pedorthist, and Research/Disabilities Studies) continue to work on procedures in preparation for reviewing programs or are still drafting Standards. CAAHEP took action on 440 recommendations last fiscal year, and the chart below shows the number of accreditation actions that were taken, detailed by profession and accreditation status. While the Anesthesia Technology, Art Therapy, Clinical Research, Medical Illustration, and Medical Scribe Specialist professions have approved Standards, they did not have any programs accredited this year.

Profession	Initial	Continuing	Probation	Withdrawn/ Withheld	Initial Expire	Total
Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography	1	0	0	0	0	1
Anesthesiologist Assistant	0	3	0	0	0	3
Assistive Technology	2	0	0	0	0	2
Cardiovascular Technology	3	19	2	0	0	24
Cytotechnology	0	6	0	0	0	6
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	6	43	1	0	2	52
EMS - Paramedic	82	112	0	1	0	195
Exercise Physiology	2	1	0	0	0	3
Exercise Science	9	6	0	0	0	15
Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring	1	0	0	0	0	1
Kinesiotherapy	0	1	0	0	0	1
Lactation Consultant	3	0	0	0	0	3
Medical Assisting	7	62	1	0	1	71
Neurodiagnostic Technology	2	3	0	0	0	5
Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician	1	0	0	0	0	1
Orthotist/Prosthetist	0	2	0	0	0	2
Perfusion	1	3	1	0	0	5
Personal Fitness Training	1	1	0	0	0	2
Polysomnographic Technology	0	3	0	0	0	3
Recreational Therapy	0	2	0	0	0	2
Specialist in Blood Bank Technology	0	4	0	0	0	4
Surgical Assisting	1	0	0	0	0	1
Surgical Technology	7	25	5	1	0	38
TOTAL	129	296	10	2	3	440

Voluntary Withdrawal

Even with the closure of several for-profit schools, the total number of programs that exercised the right to voluntarily withdraw from accreditation during the 2017-2018 fiscal year decreased from the previous year, as seen in the chart below.

Fiscal Year	Number of Voluntary Withdrawals
2004-2005	38
2005-2006	83
2006-2007	41
2007-2008	40
2008-2009	38
2009-2010	25
2010-2011	36
2011-2012	48
2012-2013	44
2013-2014	67
2014-2015	99
2015-2016	78
2016-2017	90
2017-2018	69

The number of programs, by profession, that exercised the right to voluntarily withdraw from CAAHEP in 2017-2018 as is outlined as follows:

Profession	Number of Programs Withdrew
Anesthesia Technology	1
Cardiovascular Technology	3
Cytotechnology	1
EMS-Paramedic	9
Exercise Science	1
Medical Assisting	34
Perfusion	1
Specialist in Blood Banking	1
Surgical Technology	18

ACCREDITED PROGRAMS BY PROFESSIONS

The following chart reports the number of accredited programs by each profession and sorted by accreditation status as of June 30, 2018, the end of the fiscal year. The Emergency Medical Services – Paramedic profession has 66 programs under Letter of Review status as they work toward initial accreditation.

Profession	Initial	Continuing	Probation	Inactive	Total
Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography	2	0	0	0	2
Anesthesia Technology	2	0	0	0	2
Anesthesiologist Assistant	3	9	0	0	12
Assistive Technology	2	0	0	0	2
Cardiovascular Technology	27	66	2	0	95
Cytotechnology	2	20	0	1	23
Diagnostic Medical Sonography	74	292	1	2	369
EMS - Paramedic	276	331	0	1	608
Exercise Physiology	6	7	0	0	13
Exercise Science	22	35	0	0	57
Intraoperative Neurophysiologic Monitoring	3	0	0	0	3
Kinesiotherapy	0	3	0	0	3
Lactation Consultant	6	0	0	0	6
Medical Assisting	45	448	4	2	499
Medical Illustrator	0	4	0	0	4
Neurodiagnostic Technology	5	18	0	1	24
Orthotic and Prosthetic Technician	6	0	0	0	6
Orthotist/Prosthetist	2	10	0	1	13
Perfusion	2	14	1	0	17
Personal Fitness Training	2	2	0	0	4
Polysomnographic Technology	11	34	0	0	45
Recreational Therapy	3	3	0	0	6
Specialist in Blood Bank Technology	1	9	0	0	10
Surgical Assisting	3	7	0	0	10
Surgical Technology	30	374	8	4	416
TOTAL	535	1686	16	12	2249

CAAHEP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2017-2018 Officers



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Carolyn O'Daniel, EdD, RRT



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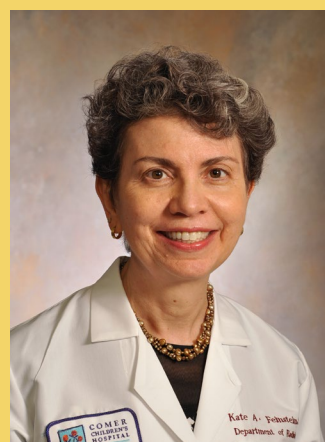
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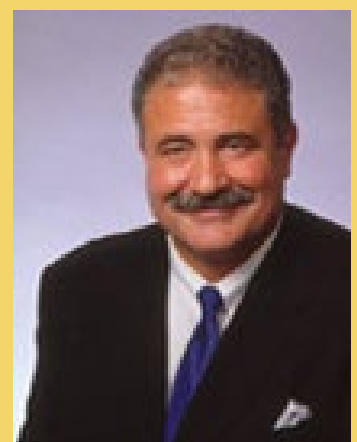
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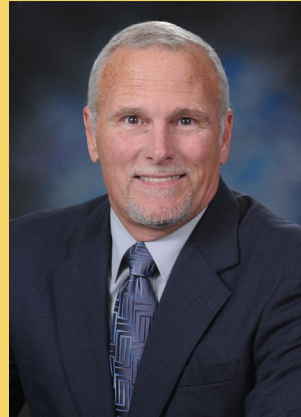
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RN, CST



Douglas York, NREMT-P,
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CAAHEP Committees

In addition to their Board duties, each member of the Board serves on one or more Board Committees. Along with other dedicated volunteers, who are involved in the CAAHEP system, much work is accomplished through these committees. CAAHEP gratefully recognizes each volunteer for their expertise, time, and dedication.

Governance Committee: Governance Committee is responsible for the effective functioning of the CAAHEP Board and for the maintenance and development of the Board-Executive Director working relationship, as well as oversight of the strategic planning process.

2017-2018 Members: Carolyn O'Daniel, EdD, RRT, Chair; Katherine Kuntz, MEd, RT(R), RDMS, RVT, FSDMS; Susan Fuchs, MD; Gregory Ferencak, EdD, RT(R)(QM)

Nominating and Elections Committee: The Nominating and Elections Committee solicits proposed candidates from the CAAHEP membership and, using criteria established by CAAHEP policy and procedure, considers the qualifications of those proposed. At the Annual Meeting, members distribute ballots, and tabulate and reports the results.

2017-2018 Members: Amber Donnelly, PhD, MPH, SCT, Chair; Graham Melstrand, BA; Lois Simmons, M.Ed., MT(ASCP), SH(ASCP)

Performance Oversight Committee: The POC oversees CAAHEP's operational and financial performance, its image building, and stakeholder relations efforts.

2017-2018 Members: Gregory Ferencak, EdD, RT(R)(QM), Chair; Pauletta Brown Bracy, PhD, MLS; Kate Feinstein, MD, FACR; Glen Mayhew, DHSc, NRP; Elizabeth (Betsy) Slagle, MS, RN, CST

Planning and Development Committee: Planning and Development Committee develops and leads the Board in all CAAHEP planning and guides financial resource development.

2017-2018 Members: Susan Fuchs, MD, Chair; Fred Lenhoff, MA; Melissa McKnight, RDCS; Yasmen Simonian, PhD, MLS(ASCP)^{CM}; Thomas Skalko, PhD, LRT/CTRS

Recommendation Review Committee: Recommendation Review Committee assures thorough, consistent review of all accreditation recommendations submitted by the Committees on Accreditation and works to continuously improve the review process.

2017-2018 Members: Kathryn (Katie) Kuntz, MEd, RT(R), RDMS, RVT, FSDMS, Chair; Amber Donnelly, PhD, MPH, SCT; Gregory Frazer, PhD, FASAHP; Susan Muller, PhD; Douglas K. York, NREMT-P, PS, (NAEMT)

Standards Committee: The Standards Committee is responsible for working with the Committees on Accreditation as they review and propose revisions to Standards. Pursuant to CAAHEP policies the Standards Committee conducts open hearings on proposed revisions to Standards and makes final recommendations for approval to the Board of Directors.

2017-2018 Members: Jennifer Anderson Warwick, MA, Chair; Kate Feinstein, MD, FACR; Jeffrey Hill, BS, RDCS, FASE (SDMS); Katie Kuntz, MEd, RT(R), RDMS, RVT, FSDMS; M. LaCheeta McPherson, PhD, MLS(ASCP)^{CM}; Keith Orloff, CST, FAST; Julie O'Sullivan Maillet, PhD

CAAHEP BOARD LIAISONS

CAAHEP utilizes a “liaison” function as one means of ensuring quality and consistency in its accreditation decisions and with CAAHEP’s policies and procedures. The Board-CoA Liaison is a current or past member of the Board of Directors, who serves as a designated liaison between the Board and a specific Committee on Accreditation. Liaisons attend CoA meetings, providing information from the Board to the Committee on Accreditation, and files a report to CAAHEP on each CoA meeting. The following individuals served as Board Liaisons in 2017-2018:

Advanced Cardiovascular Sonography - Liaison: *Thomas K. Skalko, PhD, LRT/CTRS*

Anesthesia Technology - Liaison: *Gregory Frazer, PhD, FASAHP*

Anesthesiologist Assistant - Liaison: *Amber Donnelly, PhD, MPH, SCT*

Art Therapy - Liaison: *Elizabeth (Betsy) Slagle, MS, RN, CST*

Assistive Technology - Liaison: *Douglas K. York, NREMT-P, PS, (NAEMT)*

Cardiovascular Technology - Liaison: *Douglas K. York, NREMT-P, PS, (NAEMT)*

Clinical Research Professional - Liaison: *Bernard Allan Cohen, PhD, FASNM **

Cytotechnology - Liaison: *Kerry Weinberg, PhD, MPA, RT(R), RDMS, RDCS **

Diagnostic Medical Sonography - Liaison: *Carolyn O’Daniel, EdD, RRT*

Exercise Sciences - Liaison: *Gregory Ferenchak, EdD, RT(R)(QM)*

Emergency Medical Services-Paramedic - Liaison: *Barry S. Eckert, PhD, FASAHP**

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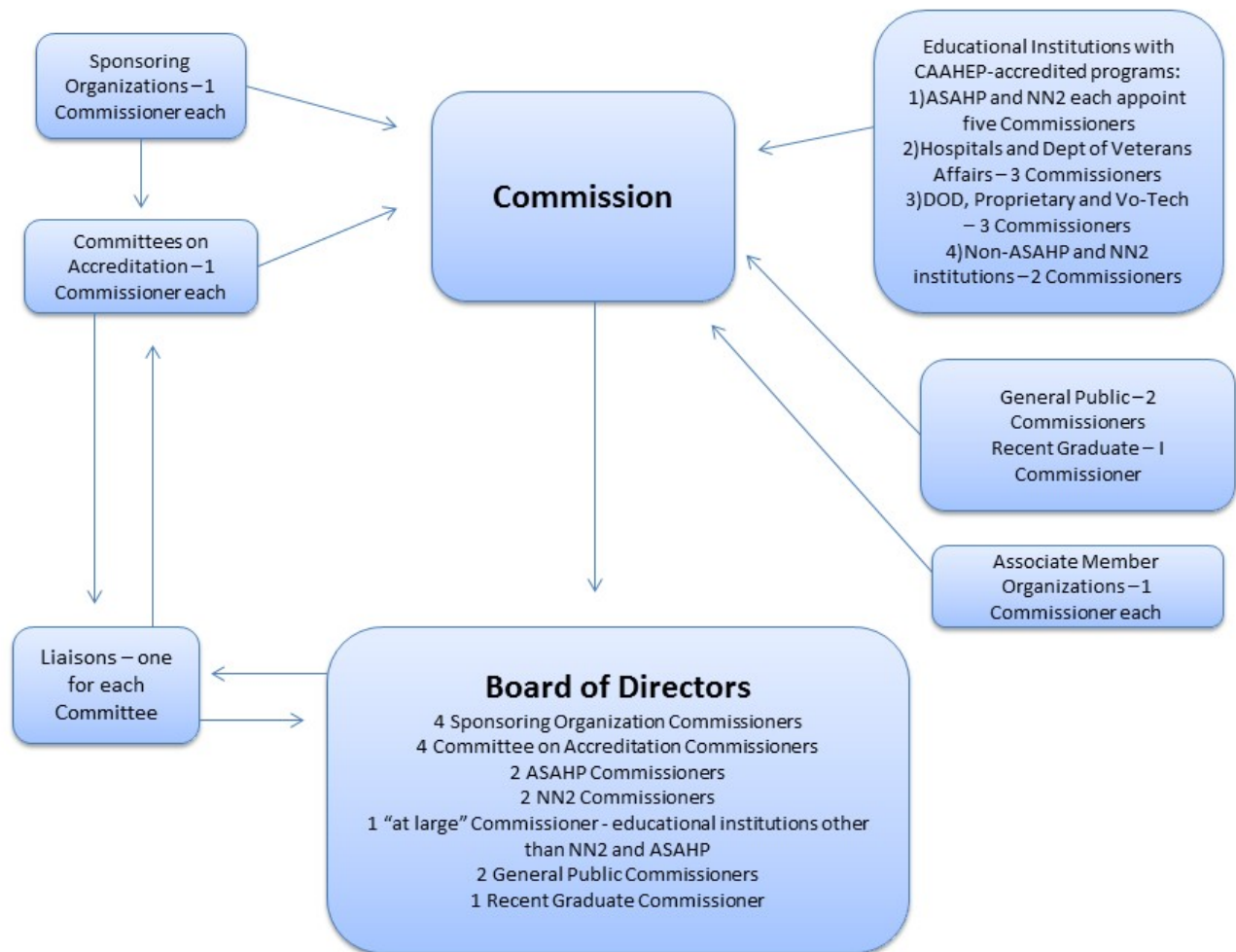
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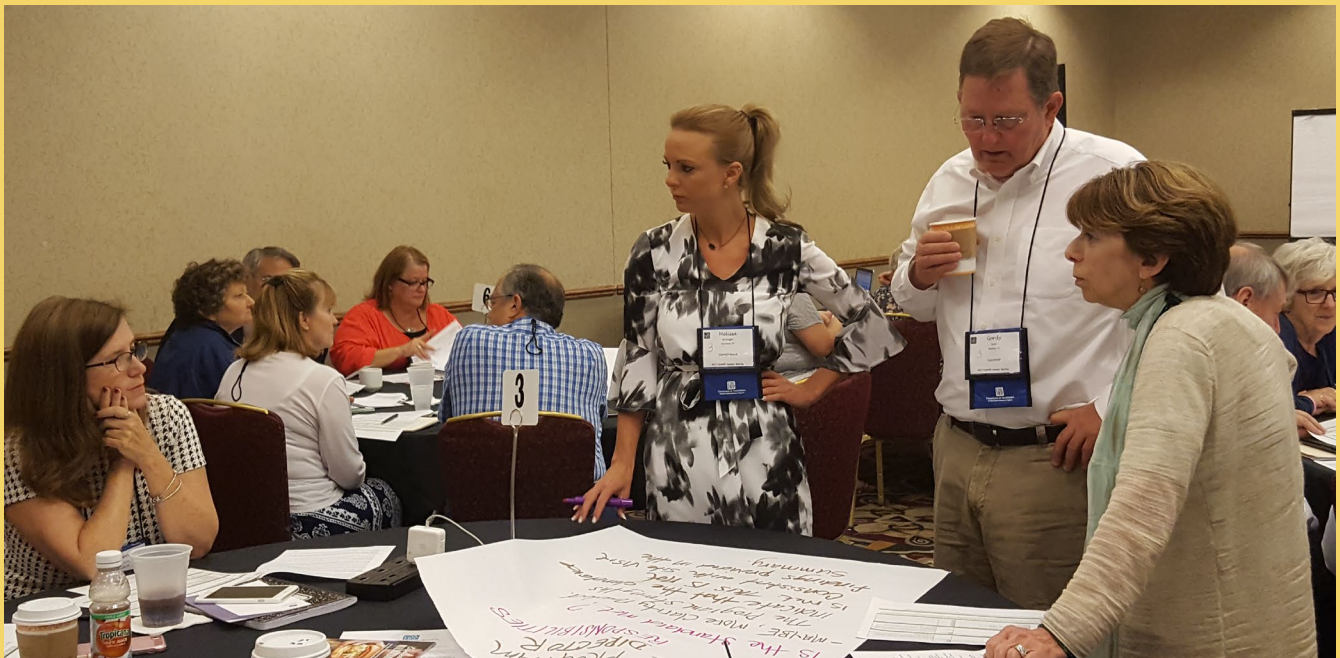
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