

Minutes from OAE members meeting on October 20th, 2021.

“Dr. Nusstein updated us on things at OSU COD and the Graduate Endodontics Program. Much of the construction of the new building is completed, but they are still looking for funding for operational costs. If considering donating, think of Grad Endo too. Dr. Fowler is doing great, the pre-doc is running along. Everything is good. Dr. Andre Mickel introduced his current residents and fellows. They have been participating in the ODA poster presentations and this past year had two winners. Case is going well, seeing lots of patients and having a good time.

President of the OAE Dr. Najia Usman introduced the keynote speaker Dr. Syngcuk Kim who completed his PHD in circulatory physiology in 1980, is a recipient of the Louis Grossman Award of Endodontics, is the longest sitting chairman in Endodontics at UPenn since 1994, and the Associate Dean of Global Affairs and Advanced Dental Education. He is known for his major contributions to surgical endodontics and research.

Dr. Stephen Katz spoke regarding the AAE Board Transformation Initiative to make the board more nimble, to create an efficiency of the board's work, to develop balanced leadership skills, experience and representation, to hear all voices engaged in communication and diversification, to engage all career stages of membership in the governance process, and to move toward a competency based balanced Board. They will be having two town hall meetings, one on November 30th and one on December 14th where all members will have the opportunity to learn about the process and to share their ideas and opinions. After that, the initiative will go back to committee, then to the constitutions and bylaws committee and will be voted on at the general assembly in Phoenix in 2022.

Vice President of the OAE Dr. Ryan Pasiewicz explained that the OAE is currently in the process of working with the AAE to have CERP certification for our CE credit, which will be an ongoing process over the next year. The CE credit certificates will be emailed following the meeting. Secretary Treasurer Dr. Kristy Bultema reported \$39,229.36 in business checking and \$5,060.22 in savings. President Dr. Usman gave OAE members the opportunity to discuss new business, ways to do things better, or the way that things are being communicated. No new business was presented and the meeting was adjourned."