Academic Physicians Section
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Number of Academic Physicians
26,700 – Self reported (From AMA Masterfile)

Number who are AMA members
2,500  (Less than 10%)
AMA membership nationally – 23 %

Academic Physician Section Members – 560
Approx 20 % of AMA Academic Physicians
Approx 2% of self reported academics

Number of Academics in HoD?
Number of US Medical Schools – 179
147 LCME, 32 AOA
Number of Deans who are AMA members
98 (55%)
Academic Leadership Program
19 (21 at highest)
Members of APS – 254
Schools without APS members – 26
Avenue 2 members – self-nominated – 195
(fastest growing)
Proposals from the Membership Committee:

The Academic Leadership Program is still a ‘pilot’, it can be amended (Ms Tinney). It requires a management report to the BoT, looking at financial and membership implications and risks.

The 19 ALP schools could have many more members if we go through the Departmental Chairs (e.g. Chair plus five members)

Staff to develop letter to 19 schools to increase membership via departments, sections. AMA Specialty societies could help.
Proposals from the Membership Committee:

Some academic physicians only see AMA as an avenue to LCME and ACGME. (AMA actions/reports have urged changes in those organizations that benefit academic physicians)

We should better publicize Accelerating Change in Medical Education, AMA’s support, expansion, and continuing relationship with the ACE schools.

We should emphasize the AMA’s impact on the national agenda for health care and medicine, e.g.

AMA has opposed the AHCA’s potential to damage academic medical centers significantly.

The APS needs to be the voice for academic physicians and for medical education.
Proposals from the Membership Committee:

Outreach to the DO schools – This group offers great range for increasing membership - emphasize parity to LCME schools. (Letter to be created by staff, this could be the same letter sent to deans of schools with no APS members)

- Participation with Medical Student Section. Some of the schools with no APS members have medical student sections.
- Potential changes in APS membership procedures (opt out vs opt in)
- Reconsideration of AMA’s medical school visit program
- Pilot for groups of academic physicians to receive discount
Thank You!