2019 MSS Annual Meeting Convention Committees

HOD Coordination Committee (HCC)
The HCC supports the MSS Delegate and Alternate Delegate, as well as student members of their state delegations, in forming a common and well-informed position on resolutions and reports presented for the AMA House of Delegates. The committee is also responsible for coordinating student testimony for HOD reference committees for all student-authored resolutions. Committee members should be available through Sunday evening (June 9) of the AMA-MSS meeting and are strongly encouraged to stay throughout the AMA House of Delegates, which ends on Wednesday, June 12. All students, regardless of their level of experience, are encouraged to apply for this committee.

Reference Committee
The Reference Committee hosts the MSS Virtual Reference Committee, which is open for comment from MSS members. Following the Virtual Reference Committee, the Reference Committee analyzes the various items of business and their corresponding testimony and prepares the final Reference Committee report. Knowledge of the resolution-writing process, as well as AMA-MSS policy-making experience is preferred.

***Please note that the final Reference Committee report will be drafted and made available for review PRIOR TO the Meeting using testimony submitted online via the MSS Virtual Reference Committee. The final report and its recommendations will serve as the basis for extraction, discussion and voting at the MSS Assembly Meeting. Reference Committee members must be available to meet via conference calls approximately three weeks prior to the Assembly to consider online testimony and deliberate over the recommendations of the final Reference Committee report.***

Rules Committee
The Rules Committee reviews late and emergency resolutions and makes recommendations to the MSS Assembly on whether to consider them as items of business during the Assembly. The Committee also helps with election oversight, collects and tabulates ballots during elections, and verifies the results of these elections. Finally, the Committee hears appeals to the process of ballot distribution and appeals on election results in the event of a dispute.

Hospitality Committee
The Hospitality Committee greets attendees at the welcome reception, and coordinates social events with Region Chairs, State Chairs, and the host city and state medical societies.

Credentials Committee
The Credentials Committee reviews the credentials of certified voting members and alternate voting members, and distributes ballots to these delegates during election periods. The Committee is also responsible for helping to establish and monitor quorum.

Logistics and Resources Committee
The Logistics and Resources Committee assists the Speaker and Vice Speaker in addressing the logistical and technological needs of the Assembly during the meeting, including the amendment process.

Parliamentary Procedures Committee
Parliamentary Procedures Committee members assist members of the Assembly with procedural questions during the business meeting. Advanced knowledge of parliamentary procedure and participation at previous MSS meetings is required. The MSS Assembly functions under the guidelines of The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure.