

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PROSTHODONTISTS

FORUM REPORT

I am pleased to announce that the International Academy of Gnathology – American Section (IAG) and the National Association of Dental Laboratories (NADL) have joined the Forum. During the year Drs. Eckert, Jacob and Rubenstein drafted a CERP report and Drs. Kobren and Croll did the same for the Laboratory Technology issue. These reports will supply the matrix for an open exploration of the problems and their impact on Prosthodontics. It is the hope that the combined membership of the Forum organizations will supply the intellect and manpower to insure that these critical concerns are met.

Respectfully submitted
Gary Goldstein
Chair, Prosthodontic Forum

Attachments

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**Prosthodontic Forum
ACP Annual Session,
Los Angeles, California
October 26, 2005**

I. Call to order. 12:04 p.m.

II. Roll Call and Introduction

Prosthodontic Forum, Chair H.O.D. Representative	Dr. Gary Goldstein Dr. Thomas Vergo
Academy of Osseointegration	Dr. Steve Eckert
Academy of Prosthodontics	Dr. Jonathan Wiens Dr. Rhonda Jacob
American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry	Dr. Steve Bergen
American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics	Dr. Jane Brewer
American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics	Dr. Tom Vergo
American Equilibration Society	Dr. Keith Kinderknecht Dr. Mike Winer
American Prosthodontic Society	Dr. Dennis Stiles Dr. Lee Jameson
Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics	Dr. Kenneth Malament Dr. Kenneth M. Schweitzer
Northeastern Gnathological Society	Dr. Leonard Kobren Dr. Burney Croll
Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics	Dr. Joseph B. Cooney
American College of Prosthodontists	Dr. Patrick Lloyd Dr. Bruce Valauri Dr. Lily T. Garcia
Journal of Prosthodontics	Dr. David Felton

III. Parliamentarian: Dr. Jonathan Wiens

IV. Agenda

Motion: to approve the agenda.

Motion passed.

V. Approve minutes from October 27, 2004

Motion: to approve the minutes.

Motion passed.

VI. Forum – Dr. Gary Goldstein

A. Reviewed documents that were distributed to members present.

B. Invited comments by Dr. Patrick Lloyd, President, American College of Prosthodontists:

Dr. Lloyd visited nine of ten Prosthodontic Forum organizations. He reflected on activities of the last four months when the ACP Executive Director resigned. With an opportunity to identify a new leader he worked through a reputable firm which came with strong endorsements from American Association of Orthodontists and American Academy of Endodontists specialty groups. Subsequent to the resignation, five additional staff members left the ACP, which allowed for recruitment of four new temporary staff with the potential for each of them to stay in support of our organization. This was also an opportunity to help the ACP redefine organizational goals and expectations.

Under the guidance of Tuft & Associates, a draft for redefining the direction for the ACP was designed. The new Executive Director will be introduced during the Friday session.

Other key information related to the American Board of Prosthodontics which revealed a record number of candidates (54) for the ABP examinations. Also, there are increased numbers of quality candidates for graduate prosthodontic programs. In regards to the Gulf region disaster, Hurricane Katrina, the ACP "extended a hand" to our members and seven LSU residents accepted the ACP offer of waived registration fees and \$500 each in support to offset travel costs.

VII. ACP House of Delegates – Dr. Jonathan Wiens and Dr. Tom Vergo

- A. Both Forum delegates attended the House of Delegates' meetings last year and each participated in reference committees. Dr. Wiens was a guest of the ACP Board of Directors' meetings in 2005. Also, he was asked to Chair the Governance Task Force, to review the current House of Delegates and other organizational structures, and he participated in the Executive Director Search committee. This is Dr. Wiens' last year to serve as the Prosthodontic Forum delegate since he has been nominated for the Treasurer officer position.
- B. Glossary of Prosthodontics terms is available on-line which can be downloaded and not restricted to subscribers only. The link is:

<http://journals.elsevierhealth.com/periodicals/ympr/article/PIIS0022391305001757/fulltext>

- C. Dr. Vergo discussed governance and how the membership can be more involved.

VIII. Journal of Prosthodontics – Dr. David Felton

- A. The Journal is changing from a quarterly to a bi-monthly publication.
- B. Submissions have increased dramatically and currently are the Jan-Feb 2007 issue is being filled.
- C. The Parameters of Care will be published in 2006 as a supplement to the JP. Dr. Tupac and committee members did a great job and incorporated IDT and ICD codes into the parameters following "fair use" agreements for use of the codes.
- D. Proposed a 35% reduced journal subscription fee for Prosthodontic Forum members who are not ACP members.
- E. The first readers' survey was done approximately six years ago and is being conducted, again. It will seek input on style and content.
- F. All back issues are on-line and accessible as part of the contractual agreement with Blackwell.
- G. One of Dr. Felton's editorials, "Do no harm", received the ADEA Gies Award for the best editorial.

IX. Reports from Forum Delegates

- A. Academy of Osseointegration: Dr. Eckert. Lab initiatives – AO frustrated at creating better ties to laboratory members. AO is trying to incorporate lab meetings within their annual session but has resulted in poor attendance and high costs. The major initiatives will occur next summer at the July 2006 meeting which will focus on the "state of the science in implant dentistry as a systematic review". There will be a supplemental issue of JOMI reflecting the results of the meeting. The joint meeting in 2008, Feb 28th-March 1st with AAOMS, AO, AAP,

ACP is being planned. AO recognizes CODA is trying to accredit special interest in implant dentistry for existing programs that want to be accredited. There is a question of how many qualifying programs exist and if they are interested in accreditation through education or through litigation. Some states accept non-accredited "quasi-specialty" organizations. AO does not support this approach.

B. Academy of Prosthodontics – Dr. Jonathan Wiens. The AP has 130 members that value fellowship and scholarship deeply. They continue mentorship and outreach through Indian health services and focus on evidence-based dentistry as a practical approach. The next meeting is in May 2006, San Francisco, CA at the Grand Hyatt. All forum organization Presidents are invited and will receive their registration and social event fees waived.

- Dr. Rhonda Jacob is the program chair and has assembled a strong program to include a cancer survivor as a speaker who happens to be the laboratory technician who developed the UCLA abutment. This individual contributed to an oral cancer website that has over one million hits/month; he manages this site and has various specialists participate. He has become a strong advocate and is pushing the ADA to make dentists perform routine oral cancer screenings; he has support underwritten by Sony™ and other notables from Hollywood. Through his story, he was seen by three Prosthodontists who did not diagnose the disease but focuses only on solutions versus blame.
- Other program events include Dr. Howard Landesman who will speak "in the nation's best interest" with three panelists, an EBD session on controversies about care with and without endodontic therapy including Endodontists who will discuss viable treatments. Dr. Goodacre will discuss and lead a panel, also.
- The AP has adopted the glossary as their official glossary and reference document.

C. American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry – Dr. Bergen. The AAED has experienced some internal central office challenges. The AAED is an organization that includes all specialty levels of dentistry, dental laboratory technicians, and medical professionals. They provide courses across all areas.

D. American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics – Dr. Brewer. Dr Brewer is presenting the information on behalf of Dr. Phil Pierpont. The AAFP annual scientific session is Feb 24-25, 2006, with Drs. Martin Land and Steve Rosenstiel as program chairs. During the summer AAFP Board meeting in August 2005, the Board endorsed the glossary and the PDI – Prosthodontic Diagnostic Index.

- Dr. Brewer acknowledged and expressed sincere appreciation for Dr. Don Garver who recently passed away; Dr. Garver served as the Treasurer and had over twenty years of service in various roles for the AAFP. Dr. Rick Jordan is the AAFP site director and has been nominated to serve as the new Treasurer. Dr. Jack Lipkin will be the interim site director.
- The AAFP website is well-run and up-to-date thanks to Dr. Robert Wright and through the JPD editorial council master website access.
- The AAFP continues with grant and award programs. Dr. Steve Morgano manages the Tylman award which includes four awards for a total of \$4000 in which applicants go through a rigorous review process. Dr. Claude Baker received the AAFP teaching award for predoctoral dental educators. Dr.

Jerry Andres manages this program which includes a monetary award of \$1000; he will be soliciting nominations in the coming months.

- E. American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics – Dr. Vergo reported on behalf of the AAMP. The AAMP just completed their 53rd meeting this week. The current initiative is to increase membership but need more young members with the current increase life members. They did have twelve international people who attended of which 10 were not members. They have encountered difficulties for the next meeting due to hotel renovations. The AAMP has elected to dispense with further negotiations and plan to meet with the international maxillofacial group for Hawaii in 2006.
- F. American Equilibration Society – Dr. Winer reported on the AES 50th anniversary meeting that had 700 attendees. There were great social and scientific events, and all living past presidents were honored. There are four projects actively funded, with a \$50,000 commitment. They have acquired 112 new members.
- The AES Board began strategic planning in October and will continue in February 2006. The AES is committed to guidelines set forth by the ADA. Dr. Taylor has proposed guidelines for temporomandibular disorders but there is need for training on evidence-based dentistry. There will be five to twelve participants that will complete a literature review on EBD techniques which is expected to be completed over several years and with a proposed budget of \$22,000 to train this committee/group.
 - Last year, the discussion about a joint CERP endeavor with the ACP was initiated but no conclusions were made.
- G. American Prosthodontic Society – Dr. Dennis Stiles. Dr. Stiles reported that the APS has adopted the JPD Glossary. On behalf of the APS, he expressed their appreciation for Dr. Lloyd's visit to the Board meeting. The APS continues to support Forum activities.
- The APS will enjoy the 78th Annual meeting celebration on February 23-24 2006, at the Westin River North. Dr. Richard Toth, the Program Chair, has arranged a program whose theme is "mastery of Prosthodontics".
 - The APS has 518 members including general dentists, dental laboratory technicians, and Prosthodontists. They are currently developing a five-year strategic plan and feel the process has been valuable. They have developed a packet for distribution as a welcome and the "Pros Update" in which Dr. Ed McGlumphy is the editor and has sponsorship. It is the APS vision to offer this through the Prosthodontic Forum and their members through electronic or hard copies.
 - The APS has received \$150,000 federal grant to support predoctoral dental students at the DS III level. There are 50 dental schools participating in this endeavor, called "Pros Scholars".
 - The year celebrates the 2nd annual Kenneth Rudd award for excellence in dental technology which is co-sponsored by the JPD. It is to be presented to Robert Berger.
 - The JPD has been helpful through their super-web concept.
 - The new officers include Dr. Harold Prieskel as President and Dr. Robert Schneider as executive director.
 - The APS welcomed new international members, including eight from Japan.

- H. Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics – Dr. Ken Malament. All actions proposed by the Prosthodontic Forum including the PDI, JPD Glossary and lab initiatives work through the NGS have been supported by the GNYAP. The GNYAP is in its 51st year. Dr. Malament updated the progress through knowledge-based governance through the help of Dr. Cosmo DeSteno who facilitated the strategic plan. The strategic plan has been reworked and awaits approval.
- GNYAP invited the Japanese Prosthodontic Society to participate in a joint meeting, including Pres Dr. Akagawa and eight other speakers. The NYU Harold Litvak Symposium had approximately 230 graduate students in attendance. The GNYAP annual meeting will be at Lincoln Center, a new venue which posed financial challenges. GNYAP member, Dr. Burney Croll is working with a dental laboratory technology college in partnership to build solid relations. Dr. Croll will Chair an Ad hoc committee to highlight prosthodontics to the general public. This is a key push since continuing education groups such as LVI pay \$1000/month to support advertisements to push their constituents.
- I. Northeastern Gnathological Society – Dr. Kobren. The NGS celebrates their 40th anniversary in April 2006. The NGS has approximately 200 members, 40% of which are Prosthodontists, 40% General Dentists and 10% dental laboratory technicians. The NGS has been created as an inclusive organization, considered unique and symbiotic. Their goals are to provide high quality presentations, build and support partnerships between dentists and technicians, support regional prosthodontic education, support college technical schools, and support individuals attempting CDT or ABP board certification processes.
- The NGS is fiscally sound with an annual reserve fund; it has created reserves within 4 years vs. the original 10-year plan. The Martin Cantor education fund minimal endowment supports Granger-Pruden Award (\$2500) and two technician awards (\$500). The NGS support registration fees for graduate residents who pay \$95 vs. the \$200 cost. Dental technician students are underwritten 100%, meaning there is no fee for attendance. They have started supporting students and program directors such that last spring, they had all six postgraduate directors and 90% of residents attend a social dinner, emphasizing the social networking option.
 - The NGS honored their \$50,000 commitment to the ACP New Vision Campaign, provides \$5k to the ACPEF annual appeal, and \$1K to the ACP Katrina fund. They have initiated their first contribution of the \$25,000 Litvak pledge.
 - Dr. Kobren thanked Dr. Valauri, in his capacity as the representative for the ACP for attending the NGS Board meeting.
 - The NGS will continue to mentor members for the future and support cooperative relations with lab colleagues in providing the highest quality of care.
- J. Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics – Dr. Cooney. The PCS has worked on nurturing graduate prosthodontic residents and increasing their involvement in the society. All dental schools participated in the DS IV year Award, recognized for an individual's focus on prosthodontics. The "lab issue" remains on the agenda and is considered a critical issue in fostering dental laboratory technician participation. The next PCS meeting is in Portland, June 2006, with Dr. Byron Barnett as President and Dr. Arun Sharma as Secretary/Treasurer.
- K. ACP – information was presented during the opening comments, by Dr. Lloyd.

X. Open Discussion

Dental Laboratory Initiative – NGS program is an outstanding example of how we can impact on the laboratory problem. Dr. Croll invited Dr. Gary Goldstein to participate in the NGS initiative with a lab school technology school and found it to be quite successful. Dr. Burney Croll presented their concept: “NGS Initiative”.

**Attached as an addendum.

- There was a national Lab Summit last year in Feb. Dr. Goldstein represented the Pros Forum and there were ACP representatives also in attendance. There will be a second summit in Feb 2006.
- The Educators/Mentors & Predoctoral Educators combined workshop emphasized the importance of local, one-on-one support and may need regional sections to organize and support the technical school.
- Should the Pros Forum adopt this model? Twenty lab schools remain in the U.S. Part of the initiative involves “Listen to the needs of the program” as discussed by the Dean/Head and laboratory technician students. As part of the Lab Summit, invite representatives from the remaining dental laboratory technician schools. Suggestion: embrace the entire program – intact- and report to individual forum organizations.

CHARGE: Current NGS President to chair an Ad Hoc group to serve in an advisory group to review and implement through additional organizations or set a direction for other organizations.

XI. Election of Prosthodontic Forum Representatives

Elect two new Prosthodontic Forum representatives to the ACP House of Delegates.

Nominees: Dr. Kenneth Schweitzer & Dr. Mike Winer

Motion: Motion to accept the nominees as the representatives to the HOD.

Motion passed.

XII. Old Business

- A. **Motion: That the Prosthodontic Forum direct all the member organizations to consider endorsement and adoption of the PDI and have a definitive decision for the next meeting (2006). Original motion moved and seconded. Friendly amendment: Dr. Valauri accepted. Friendly amendment moved and seconded; motion passed.**

Discussion ensued related to concerns about the validity of the PDI. Most postgraduate programs have adopted the PDI as part of their education programs, although not mandated. The value of the PDI is important and needs endorsement but several members want more information to make a decision.

A concern was mentioned that alluded to a publication under scientific rigor will address concerns with the PDI, as currently described. Several members noted the PDI is a good instrument in terms of teaching which is intended to serve as a guideline and evolving document. Some proposed adopting the concept of a PDI versus endorsement of “THE” PDI.

- B. C.E.R.P. - Action item. At the next Prosthodontic Forum meeting, the CERP issue will be a major agenda item.

XIII. New Business

None.

XIV. Adjournment: 2:00 p.m.

ADDENDUM: "NGS Initiative"
Author: Dr. Burney Croll

Northeastern Gnathological Society Initiative Protocol Report to ACP Forum

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History of the NGS Initiative

It is a given that Prosthodontists collaborate with dental technicians to provide extraordinary comprehensive patient care. The prosthetics provided is limited by the skill and experience of the dental technician and the dentist. Members of the Northeastern Gnathological Society (NGS) recognized in 2003 that the New York City College of Technology (NYCCT), the only ADA-accredited college in the New York tri-state area offering an accredited dental technology program, was graduating students from the program with limited exposure to various aspects of some of the most current technology. A comprehensive understanding of advanced technology is essential for technicians to be competitive in today's job market. The NGS took action beginning with a suggestion at an NGS board meeting to reach out and visit the program at NYCCT.

What has been accomplished?

At the direction of NGS board, Dr. Burney Croll visited the NYCCT dental technology program to meet with the Director of the Dental Technology Program, Nicholas Manos, CDT and the Dean of the School, Victor Ayala, PhD. The purpose of the visit was to acquaint the NGS with the state of the program and to demonstrate the NGS's interest in supporting the program's comprehensive training. The most important effect of the initial meeting was to create an effective dialogue with the faculty and administration of the program to facilitate further discussions and actions.

As reported in the ACP Messenger, NGS leaders in addition to Dr. Croll including Dr. Vincent Celenza and Dr. Leonard Kobren past and present presidents of the NGS, Richard Pavlak CDT, MDT and Peter Pizzi CDT,MDT met subsequently with the faculty at NYCCT to suggest enhancements to the curriculum that could provide students with the training required to secure the best level of employment in dental laboratories upon graduation (an obvious goal of the students who invested their time and money in the program).

As a result of these follow-up meetings the faculty and administration became confident that the educational objectives of the NGS were compatible with the existing curriculum and would enhance the education of the students within the framework of the ADA Accreditation Standards as a collaborative effort.

One of the earliest needs identified during the initial discussions with Dean Ayala and Program Director Manos was the establishment of externships for the dental

technology students in real work situations similar to those programs already in place for the dental hygiene students and radiology technology programs at NYCCT. Members of the NGS, both dentists and dental technologists, were asked to participate in a pilot program to develop an externship experience that would enhance the education of the dental technology students and identify what would be most effective and interesting. Through this developmental process, the College is able to offer 25 externships in dental offices, some with in-office technicians, and intermediate sized commercial dental laboratories that provide top level prosthodontic service to dentistry in our region.

This externship program in its third year has been expanded. In addition to volunteers from the NGS, other participants are members of the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, another ACP Forum member organization. Many of the participating laboratory technicians are graduates of the dental technology program at NYCCT. Several are members of the ACP Alliance. Many though not all of the dentists and technicians involved have experience and dedication as dental educators. The externship program has been specifically designed so the students spend substantial time observing clinical prosthodontic treatment in dentist's operatories to increase their understanding of the dental technicians role in the process of providing exceptional comprehensive dental care.

Additionally, NGS dental and technical members made several visits to the school to discover what modular programs and equipment would be needed to provide state of the art training for the students graduating from the program with skill sets enabling them to enter the job market at a sophisticated level. In conjunction with manufactures including NobelBiocare, American Thermocraft, Hereaus Kulzer, the Kerr Corporation and the ACP Foundation modular programs in CAD/CAM technology, pressed ceramics and efficient artistic waxing programs were instituted at the College and have been expanded in the beginning the fall semester in 2005.

The college welcomed dental technicians in the region including Peter Pizzi, CDT and Richard Pavlak, CDT to develop and present waxing and ceramic skill sets to augment the existing programs at the College. Presentations supporting the use of adjustable articulators and facebows were presented by members of the NGS. The gratifying result of these presentations has been enthusiastic response from the students and participating guest instructors.

Where are we headed?

The New York City College of Technology has recognized the contributions of members of the dental and dental technology community represented by the NGS. We have been invited to participate actively in the advisory process that is mandated by the Accreditation Standards for Dental Laboratory Technology Education Programs. We intend to follow the students that have participated in this program and track their career paths as part of an outcome assessment evaluation. Additionally, the NGS is making every effort to provide career opportunities for NYCCT graduates with NGS affiliated offices and laboratories as well as the dental community at large.

National Proposal

The continuing crisis facing dental technology in the United States impacts every member of the prosthodontic community. Last February the members of the ACP Forum participated in a program called the Lab Summit on Dental Technology. The two day meeting identified the scope of many specific aspects of this deepening problem including the 60% reduction in accredited educational programs training new entrants in the national dental technology industry. The decreased number of comprehensively trained technicians may be the greatest threat to the ability of our specialty to continue to provide the level of care commensurate with prosthodontic training. The loss of technicians having the appropriate technical skill sets and educational discipline to think through the restorative process at a sophisticated level will compromise not only our clinical abilities but will fundamentally undermine the ability to train future generations of dentists and technologists.

The NGS proposes that members of organizations that are part of the ACP Forum identify the existing accreted programs. The members of the ACP Forum can reach out and adopt one or more technical college programs in their geographical area creating educational partnerships. The support of existing programs an important first step and most efficient way to achieve our common objectives.

NGS members who have established a successful pathway to enhance and support the education of students at the NYCCT are available for guidance and consultation. We found that the single most important aspect in gaining the confidence of the Dean, Director and Faculty of the Technical College was to be good listeners. We hesitated initially, from making any suggestions regarding curriculum changes or teaching methodologies. Our policy was to "think big" but act carefully and slowly. As the academic community experienced our sincerity and commitment they became increasingly willing to accept recommendations for enhancing the educational experience for the technical students.

NGS Initiative Protocol:

1. Create an Initiative:
 - Initiate contacts with technical school department directors and later the Dean of the Technical Colleges.
 - Visit programs while they are in session to show interest and make friends.
 - Listen to the needs of the program as expressed by the Dean and the department chairman, and ultimately the students.
 - Invite student body and faculty to educational sessions provided by local and regional organizations ideally as guests, underwriting the tuition costs, dinners or luncheons as a good will gesture.
 - Create externships for students that include office visitations and commercial laboratory visits on a local basis.
 - Train and provide instructions to the participating dentists and laboratory owners to create appropriate outcomes from the externship experience.
 - Get a sense of what the students know and what you would like them to know.
 - Retrieve assessments of students and faculty.
 - Initiate enrichment programs and fund equipment acquisitions.
 - Participate in Advisory Commission Meetings suggested by Accreditation Standards for Dental Laboratory Technology Education Programs.
2. Collect and evaluate follow-up statements from college deans, presidents and department chairmen, corporate sponsors and particularly students to document the effectiveness of the participation of dental groups in the education process.
3. Create press releases locally to publicize the effectiveness of the partnership maintaining jobs in the local market.
4. Report your progress to the ACP Forum.

Executive Summary - Prosthodontic Forum 2006

**Prepared January 2006 by
Dr. Gary Goldstein
Chair, Prosthodontic Forum**

The following Organizations had representatives present at the Prosthodontic Forum Meeting in October 2005: the Academy of Osseointegration, the Academy of Prosthodontics, the American Academy of Esthetic Dentistry, the American Equilibration Society, the American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics, the American Prosthodontic Society, the American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, the Northeastern Gnathological Society, the Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics and the American College of Prosthodontists. Minutes of the meeting are attached.

The Forum is an active group that represents the discipline. The impact of our combined strength allows us to engage issues that may be difficult for any of the individual organizations. This year we initiated discussion on the laboratory technologist problem. Dr. Leonard Kobren, President of the NGS, has graciously accepted to Chair an ad-hoc committee to determine how their efforts can be expanded nationwide.

As Forum Chair, I will be representing the Forum at the second Laboratory Summit in Chicago on February 21 and 22.

Most of the Forum organizations have adopted the Glossary of Prosthodontic terms as their official glossary and it is now available on-line, in part as a result of our efforts last year.

We have continued an open discussion concerning the adoption of the Prosthodontic Diagnostic Index. Some of the organizations have already adopted it and others are reviewing its validity. I will be following up with a more detailed e-mail concerning this in the near future.

On the agenda for our next meeting is the problem we all face with CERP. I would like to appoint a committee to review the issue prior to our meeting and if any of your members would like to help with this would you please send me their names and e-mail addresses.

We, of course, are open to other agenda items that the Forum can engage it.

AMERICAN BOARD OF PROSTHODONTICS

Dr. Jonathan P. Wiens has been elected as the new examining member of the ABP. Dr. Wiens received his Bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University and D.D.S., magna cum laude, from the University of Detroit. He completed his advanced training in prosthodontics and maxillofacial prosthetics, as well as an M.S.D. in Prosthodontics, at the Mayo Graduate School of Medicine. He is currently the President of the Academy of Prosthodontics and Treasurer of the American College of Prosthodontists. Past-President of American Academy of Maxillofacial Prosthetics, Dr. Wiens is a respected lecturer and author. An insightful, intelligent practitioner with years of clinical experience and a calming warm demeanor, he will make an exceptional examiner.

As your Chair, I sit on the Board of Directors of the ACP. The following are highlights from the ACP Annual Scientific Session in October 2005 and the ACP Board Meetings during 2005, much of which has been excerpted from Past President Patrick Lloyd's President's Report.

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Dr. Bruce G. Valauri has ascended to the Presidency of the ACP. He graduated from the New York University College of Dentistry in 1983 and completed his general practice, prosthodontic and maxillofacial prosthetic residencies at the New York Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He served as Director of the Prosthodontic and Maxillofacial Prosthetic residency programs at the New York VAMC from 1989-2002. Dr. Valauri is a Clinical Assistant Professor at New York University College of Dentistry and maintains a private practice in Manhattan. Dr. Valauri is a Diplomate of the American Board of Prosthodontics, a Fellow of the ACP and the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics and a member of numerous other prosthodontic organizations. Dr. Valauri is a bright, energetic leader with a dedication to the specialty and discipline of prosthodontics. He will be attempting to visit most, if not all, of the Forum organizations. Please assist me in setting up convenient times for this to occur.

The ACPEF was mobilized to support the needs of members and students in training at LSU who were affected by hurricane Katrina. A national fund raising drive was organized and special arrangements were made to support the attendance of 7 graduate students at the ACP Annual Session in Los Angeles.

Due to an unprecedented increase in the number of manuscripts submitted to the *Journal of Prosthodontics*, the Board of Directors approved an increase in publication frequency from quarterly to bimonthly beginning in 2006. The ACP Board of Directors also voted to give a 35% discount on the Journal to all members of Forum organizations who are not members of the College.

The resignation of the ACP Executive Director and the departure of some of the staff gave the College a unique opportunity to reevaluate its goals, organization structure and efficacy. Under the leadership of Dr. Lloyd and the officers, a transition plan was formulated. This included hiring temporary staff and reassigning responsibilities. A search committee for a new executive director, chaired by Dr. Jonathan Ferencz, was organized. With the assistance of Tuft Associates (a Chicago-based executive search firm), a position description was drafted, names were identified, and candidates were interviewed. After a thorough and expedient process, College officers were successful in recruiting Ms. Nancy Deal Chandler to serve as the ACP's new executive director. Ms. Chandler has a BA, an MA and is a registered Health Information Administrator and a Certified Association Executive. She comes to the ACP after being Director, Division of Medical Journals and Professional Periodicals at the American Academy of Pediatrics. Prior to that, she was Vice-President for Education at the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and Deputy to the Senior Vice-President of the American Hospital Association.

Committee chairs were appointed and members were added to committees that needed additional support. Dr. Betsy Brackett was recruited and assigned to Public and Professional Relations.

A task force was assembled, with Dr. Jonathan Wiens serving as Chair, to study the effectiveness of the ACP House of Delegates in governing the organization and to consider other approaches to engage members in the process.

A second task force was formed to review the utility of part-time advanced education programs in Prosthodontics. Dr. Carl Andres is leading a committee of members who have experience in such programming.

Lead by Dr. Frank Tuminelli, Director of the College's Membership Division, planning meetings were held with the officers of the Michigan Section of the ACP and the Michigan Society of Prosthodontists to consider merging the two organizations.

The Prosthodontics Review Course, presented this past November in Chicago, attracted 167 attendees and was extremely well received. This 3 day intensive program is now open to all people with an interest in Prosthodontics.

Dr. Richard Jones was appointed as the new Director of the Center for Prosthodontics Education. He succeeded Dr. Ken Hilsen, the founding director of the Center, who served the College for 5 years.

In addition to 2 formal Board meetings (one in Chicago and one in LA), monthly teleconferences were held throughout the year that Board members, the Executive Director, and select staff participated in.

The 2005 ACP Annual Session was held in Los Angeles with Dr. Steve Eckert serving as program chair. Emphasizing advances in new diagnostic and treatment technologies, the program attracted members and guests from around the country. Opportunities were offered that encouraged greater member participation (for example, a half day of short oral presentations based around three distinct prosthodontic themes). Another portion of the program was dedicated to the evaluation and treatment of special prosthodontic patients such as: ectodermal dysplasia, eating disorders, and cleft palate. Members of the Forum organizations received, and will continue to receive, a discounted registration fee.

Dr. Lloyd and Dr. Valauri, made presentations to the Boards of eight Prosthodontic Forum Organizations. Information on ACP strategic planning, membership recruitment, the 2005 Annual Session, and efforts to enhance communication, was shared with each group.

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2006 Research Grant and Award Programs
Prosthodontic Forum Organizations
Prepared by Dr. Stephen Campbell
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Source and Contact Information	Description	Submission Deadline	Grant Amount
<u>Academy of Osseointegration Foundation</u> 85 West Algonquin Road Suite 550 Arlington Heights, IL 60005 http://www.osseo.org/foundation/grants.htm	<u>AO Implant Research Grant</u> One research grant is awarded annually to an individual in any dental academic institution accredited by the American Dental Association. This grant has been funded to support scientific investigation in the field of dental implants.	October 31	\$10,000
<u>Academy of Prosthodontics Foundation</u> Dr. Alan Carr Chair, AP Research Grants Subcommittee Department of Dental Specialties Mayo Clinic 200 First Street, SW Rochester, MN 55905 Carr.alan@mayo.edu	<u>Academy of Prosthodontics Student Research Grant Program</u> The Academy of Prosthodontics Foundation is offering research grant awards for graduate students in prosthodontics to support, in part or in total, graduate research projects. The Research Grants Subcommittee of the Foundation will review all applications and submit them to the Foundation for final selection. **Note: Multiple awards will be given**	April 22	\$7,000
<u>American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics</u> Dr. Kent Knoernschild Chair, Tylman Research Committee UIC – College of Dentistry 801 South Paulina Street Chicago, IL 60612 Kentk@uic.edu	<u>AAFP Tylman Research Award</u> Recognizes excellence in research in the field of fixed prosthodontics by a student. Tylman research grant recipients are automatically considered and must submit a manuscript of their completed research. All applicants must have received a Tylman Research Grant. Supports novice student research in the field of fixed prosthodontics. Students must be enrolled full-time in a postgraduate educational program and the research must be significant to the clinical practice of fixed prosthodontics.	March 1	\$1,000
<u>American Academy of Fixed Prosthodontics</u> Dr. Kent Knoernschild (See contact information above)	<u>AAFP Tylman Research Grant Program</u> Supports novice student research in the field of fixed prosthodontics. Students must be enrolled full-time in a postgraduate educational program and the research must be significant to the clinical practice of fixed prosthodontics.	March 1	\$4,000
<u>American College of Prosthodontists</u> Dr. Clark M. Stanford ACP Research Committee Chair N447 Dental Science Building College of Dentistry University of Iowa Iowa City, Iowa 52242 Clark-Stanford@uiowa.edu	<u>ACP – ESPE Research in Geriatric Prosthodontics</u> The American College of Prosthodontists is committed to assisting the dental profession in its quest for continuous improvement in clinical care. Research grants will be awarded to support meritorious research proposals that seek to advance basic scientific and applied clinical knowledge in the area of Geriatric Prosthodontics. The program supports promising research conducted by dental scientists-in-training.	October 15	\$6,000
<u>American College of Prosthodontists</u> Education Foundation Scholarship Program Dr. Clark M. Stanford (see contact information above)	<u>John J. Sharry Research Competition</u> This competition is held to stimulate and acknowledge original research in Prosthodontics by students. Students are eligible if they are currently enrolled in a post-doctoral Prosthodontic program or have completed such a program in the last three (3) years.	June 15	\$1,250
<u>American College of Prosthodontists</u> Dr. Clark M. Stanford ACP Research Committee Chair (see contact information above)	<u>ACP - P&G Research in Complete Denture Prosthodontics</u> Awards support to meritorious research proposals that seek to advance basic scientific and applied clinical knowledge in the area of complete denture prosthodontics. The program supports promising research conducted by dental scientists-in-training.	October 15	\$6,000
<u>American Equilibration Society</u> Dr. Henry A. Gremillion Parker E. Mahan Facial Pain Center University of Florida College of Dentistry P.O. Box 100437 Gainesville, Florida 32610-0437	<u>AES Research Grant</u> Research support for basic science studies with reasonable clinical relevance and clinical research related to the multiple dynamic interactive components affecting pathology, dysfunction, and/or diseases of the masticatory system. Support is for individuals engaged in clinical practice.	November 1	\$10,000
<u>Editorial Council of the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry</u> Dr. Jane Brewer Chair Awards and Grants Committee 6435 Webster Road Orchard Park, New York 14127	<u>JPD Awards and Grants Program</u> Awards and grants program to fulfill the mission and lead to publications in the JPD. Support of research studies, technical procedures, educational and professional meetings, and special projects.	Open	NA
<u>Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics</u> Dr. Hiroshi Hirayama Chair, GNYAP Scientific Investigation Committee Tufts University School of Dental Medicine One Kneeland Street DHS-248 Boston, MA 02111 hiroshi.hirayama@tufts.edu	<u>GNYAP Student Research Grant Program</u> The goal is to provide an organized and meaningful research experience for students under the guidance of an experienced faculty mentor. Funded grants will offer contributions to the body of knowledge encompassing prosthodontics.	August 15	\$2,000
<u>Northeastern Gnathological Society</u> Dr. Mitchell Greenstone 923 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021	<u>NGS Granger-Pruden Award</u> An annual award is given to support research in Prosthodontics and related materials science. The purpose is to encourage postgraduate students to engage in dental research. It may be awarded for a research proposal or a completed research project.	October 1	\$2,500

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**Prosthodontic Forum
Operational Protocol
February 2006**

There will be one annual meeting to be held in conjunction with the Annual ACP Meeting. Minutes will be taken by the ACP Secretary and circulated to all member organizations by the Forum Chair. The rules established by the ACP Bylaws will be followed.

The purpose of the Forum is:

- Provide a unified voice in the representation of the discipline of prosthodontics
- A means of exchanging ideas and information between Prosthodontic Organizations and the American College of Prosthodontists
- Provide a mechanism for member organizations to bring forth issues to the ACP – Gives them voice in the specialty
- The Forum is provided one ACP Board of Directors member and two ACP House of Delegates members. This is a means of bringing forth issues to the specialty.

The Forum Chair will:

1. Preside over all meetings of the Forum and serve as the Forum's representative on the ACP Board of Directors.
2. Prepare and distribute an Executive Summary of all Forum and ACP activities during the year. This will be completed in January of each year and will be distributed to all Forum organizations officers and representatives.
3. Review the minutes of the annual meeting and correct them as needed prior to distribution to all member organizations. Distribution should occur within 3 months after the annual meeting.
4. Prepare an annual summary of all research grant programs offered by the Forum organizations and distribute to all member organizations. In addition, it should be submitted for publication in the ACP messenger, Journal of Prosthodontics, and other sources as deemed appropriate. This should be done in January of each year
5. Maintain a list of the current Forum Organizations and all of their officers and Forum representatives. This list will be distributed to all Forum organizations at least one time each year.
6. Notify all member organizations and their Forum representatives of the annual meeting time, place and agenda. Agenda items will be solicited from the Forum organizations well in advance of the annual meeting. An agenda and minutes will be circulated prior to the meeting.
7. Identify the two representatives that will be participating in the ACP House of Delegates on behalf of the Forum. This should be done in September of each year. Verification that the representatives will be able to attend should be done before notifying the ACP Central Office.
8. Will serve to coordinate the action on any agenda items that have been identified and approved by the Forum. (e.g., political action items).
9. Represent the Forum organizations in all commonly adopted agenda items.

10. Encourage all Forum organizations to submit articles through the Chair for publication in the ACP Messenger. These articles should address programs and activities of the member organization that would be of interest to the broader Prosthodontic community.
11. Communicate on a regular basis with all Forum organizations through their representatives as to activities of the Forum and ACP.
12. Verify that all dues statements are sent out in January of each year and that the dues are paid to the ACP Central Office.
13. Promote the Forum and actively pursue non-member prosthodontic organizations to join the Forum.

Revised by Gary Goldstein, February 2, 2006