

OPTN Nominating Committee

Meeting Summary

September 11th, 2020

Conference Call

Matthew Cooper, M.D., Chair

Introduction

The OPTN Nominating Committee met via Citrix GoToMeeting teleconference on 09/11/2020 to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Update on Recruitment Efforts, Applicant Numbers, and Society Nominees
2. Vice President/President-Elect Vacancy
3. Minority Transplant Professional Vacancy

The following is a summary of the Committee's discussions.

1. Update on Recruitment Efforts, Applicant Numbers, and Society Nominees

Matthew Cooper, Chair, welcomed the committee to their meeting. UNOS staff provided updates on the call for nominations and ongoing recruitment efforts. The call for nominations has been shared:

- In presentations to each region and committee
- Via email to each region and committee
- On multiple social media platforms, and
- With over 75 professional organizations/societies connected to donation and transplantation

These recruitment efforts will continue until the call for nominations closes on September 30th.

The committee also reviewed new nominations from medical/scientific societies. To date, the committee has received nominations from the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO) and NATCO, and these nominees will participate in the 2021 membership election on a non-contested ballot. The committee also received nominees from both the College of American Pathologists (CAP) and the American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI). These nominees will run on a contested ballot for one Histocompatibility Representative vacancy. Demographics of the medical/scientific society nominees will be considered as the committee selects nominees and balances Final Rule composition requirements.

2. Vice President/President Elect Vacancy

The committee continued their discussions of candidates for the role of Vice President/President Elect. The committee selected a group of top nominees, and planned to conduct phone outreach to the nominees ahead of their next meeting.

3. Minority Transplant Professional Vacancy

The committee reviewed eligible candidates for Minority Transplant Professional and selected a group of top nominees. Members of the committee will call nominees before the committee meets again on September 21.

Upcoming Meetings

- September 21, 2020
- October 9, 2020
- October 26, 2020

Attendance

- **Committee Members**
 - Matthew Cooper, Chair
 - David Mulligan
 - Maryl Johnson
 - Sue Dunn
 - William Hildebrand
 - Suzanne Conrad
 - Amishi Desai
 - Mindy Dison
 - Valinda Jones
 - Stacey Lerret
 - Joseph Hillenburg
 - Brian Shepard, Executive Director of the OPTN
- **HRSA Representatives**
 - Chris McLaughlin
- **UNOS Staff**
 - Chelsea Haynes
 - Susie Sprinson
 - Sally Aungier
 - Shannon Edwards
 - Anna Wall