

1 **Resolution No. 19-01**

2 **PROPOSAL FOR AN ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING TO REPLACE**

3 **THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES (HOD)**

4 WHEREAS, the State of Ohio (corporation law) and OHFAMA Bylaws require an annual business  
5 meeting which is currently established by the House of Delegates; and

6 WHEREAS, only four podiatric components (CA, OH, NY and PA) still hold a HOD annually for their  
7 state business; and

8 WHEREAS, the annual cost of the House of Delegates is a budgeted expense of \$8,000; and

9 WHEREAS, a formal investigation into the alternatives to a House of Delegates had never been  
10 undertaken before two separate member opinion surveys about preferred meeting models in May  
11 and June of 2019; and

12 WHEREAS, an independent committee, the OHFAMA House of Delegates Assessment Committee  
13 (OHAC), was formed by the OHFAMA Board of Trustees in 2019 for the purpose of investigation into  
14 the procedures, policies and opinions of the all contiguous 48 United States' podiatry associations  
15 and their respective annual business meeting models; and

16 WHEREAS, OHAC did complete the investigation and reported its findings to the Board of Trustees;  
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18 WHEREAS, the information and data collected from the OHAC research and surveys has determined  
19 that replacing the formal House of Delegates model with the less formal Annual Business Meeting  
20 model is in line with the annual business meeting models of most of the states in this country,  
21 accomplishes the same goals as the House of Delegates, is a shorter business meeting, has a  
22 potential cost savings of \$6,000 - \$7,000 annually to OHFAMA, had survey responses between  
23 neutral to approving in the majority of both surveys conducted of membership, and still allows all  
24 active members the opportunity to have transparency in with their leadership, maintain voting  
25 power in elections of future leaders and a voice in and approval of the annual OHFAMA budget; and  
26 be it further

27 RESOLVED, that the changes to the OHFAMA Bylaws taking place between the 2019 and 2020 House  
28 of Delegates, with intent on approval at the 2020 House of Delegates, shall include a change in the  
29 annual business meeting reporting format from the current House of Delegates to an Annual  
30 Business Meeting.

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32 Submitted by: OHFAMA Board of Trustees

33 Financial Impact: \$1,000 (See attached)

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**RESOLUTION INFORMATION AND FINANCIAL IMPACT FORM**

RESOLUTION SUBJECT: Proposal for an Annual Business Meeting to Replace  
SPONSORED BY: Board of Trustees the House of Delegates  
DATE SUBMITTED: 8/1/19

TYPE OF RESOLUTION:  POLICY-RELATED  
 DIRECTIVES-ORIENTED

(Policy-related resolutions provide a position statement or philosophy that the sponsor desires to have the House of Delegates ratify. Policy-related resolutions normally have no or limited budgetary impact. The Directives-Oriented resolutions call for specific assignments and activities to be carried out. Directives-Oriented resolutions almost always have a budgetary impact except in cases where the resolution calls for continuation of an already existing effort. **Sponsors of resolutions must indicate the type of resolution upon submission.**) APMA *Administrative Procedures*, pg. 15, lines 7-14

**FINACIAL IMPACT EXPLANATION**

**A financial impact statement shall be provided with every resolution that requires financial expenditures.** The statement shall include a detailed explanation of the funds requested, not merely a total amount. A resolution will be returned to the sponsor for failure to provide a financial impact statement or if the financial impact statement is incomplete. The sponsors of resolutions are expected to seek assistance from [OHFAMA] staff in preparing the financial impact statement and must take into consideration both the direct and indirect costs related to the tasks or projects associated with the resolution. APMA *Administrative Procedures*, pg. 16, lines 4-10

OHFAMA STAFF MEMBER CONSULTED:  
JIMELLE RUMBERG

DIRECT COSTS: STAFF TIME, MEETING MATERIALS,  
MARKETING, LUNCH.  
INDIRECT COSTS: NONE.

TOTAL FINANCIAL IMPACT OF RESOLUTION: \$ 1,000.

(FOR COMMITTEE USE ONLY)  
DATE REVIEWED: 8/28/19 SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER TO RESOLUTION: \_\_\_\_\_  
NOTES/COMMENTS: 