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ABSTRACT

*The AAO Foundation Board of Directors recently approved \$800,830 (a record amount) in **Awards Program** funding for 24 proposals, marking the total amount invested in the future of orthodontics in this fashion, primarily in support of junior faculty, at just under \$11 million for over 400 projects. AAOF activities held at the 2016 **Annual Session** included a.) Grants Workshop and Educators Update at the Society of Educators Conference on Friday; “Future of Orthodontics” presentation on Saturday; Blair Award presentations at the AAOF Breakfast, introduction of the Salzmann Lecturer (Larry Andrews – PCSO/CA), and presentation of the Jarabak Award on Sunday. 2017 Awards Program Materials are now available. Information is included on how to support an existing Named Award and how to include the AAOF in your estate plans. MASO has a new Constituent Director (Orhan Tuncay), and the AAOF is engaged in a strategic planning process using an outside facilitator and involving both current leaders and those who have little, or no, involvement with the AAOF. All AAO Members are asked to make a **Continued Commitment to the Specialty®** (a pledge of \$5,000 or more, to be redeemed over five years) and to remember the AAO Foundation in their estate plans.*

AWARDS PROGRAM

For the 2016 Awards Program, there were a total of 38 proposals submitted, requesting funding of more than \$1 million, with \$745,000 budgeted. The Foundation’s review committee met in late January, and their recommendations were considered by the Board at the meeting in late February, with the decision reached as follows:

- Nine (9) Biomedical Research Awards - \$269,937
- Two (2) Center Awards - \$100,200
- Six (6) Orthodontic Faculty Development Fellowship Awards - \$110,698
- Three (3) Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards - \$300,000
- Four (4) Research Aid Awards - \$19,995
- Aggregate of \$800,830
- Budgeted Amount \$745,000
- A list of those proposals funded is on the web site at <http://aaofoundation.net/AwardsProgram/AbouttheAAOF AwardsProgram.aspx>.

GLAO funded projects for 2016 include:

- **Biomedical Research Awards**
 - Toru Deguchi/The Ohio State University School of Dentistry, *Burstone-Indiana Biomechanics Award*
 - Nan Hatch/University of Michigan, *Robert L. Boyd Biomedical Research Award*
 - Achint Utreja/Indiana University

- **Postdoctoral Fellowship Award**
 - Wanida Ono/University of Michigan

Also on the Foundation web site is an update on the *Craniofacial Growth Legacy Collection Project* (www.aaoflegacycollection.org), the purpose of which is not only to preserve a representative sample of these irreplaceable materials, but also to make them available for viewing and further investigation by clinicians, craniofacial investigators, students of human growth, and interested members of the public. To date on the web site, there are 16,000 total images from 752 subjects from nine participating collections. Among these participating collections are the ones at:

- Bolton-Brush/Case Western Reserve University
- Burlington Growth/University of Toronto
- Fels Longitudinal/Wright State University
- Michigan Growth/University of Michigan

The web site link for a synopsis of the FACEs Mentoring Consortium Education Innovation Award (University of Michigan) is <http://aaofoundation.net/Portals/0/Conley-Scott-Synopsis-2015.pdf>.

2017 AAOF AWARDS PROGRAM

The Materials for the 2017 Awards Program are now available on the web site (<http://aaofoundation.net/AwardsProgram/Fundingfor2017.aspx>). This year is a transitional year towards an on-line submission process that long has been in the making.

AAOF @ THE AAO ANNUAL SESSION

The 2016 Annual Session included several AAOF functions:

- Grants Workshop was held this year, for the first time, in conjunction with the Society of Educators Conference on Friday.
- “The Future of Orthodontics Lecture” was delivered by Ron Redmond (PCSO/CA) on Saturday morning, replacing the annual “Asset Management Seminar” originally scheduled for this same time.
- Sunday morning, the AAOF Board of Directors honored Raymond George (NESO/RI) and Terry Pracht (GLAO/OH) with the Blair Award, the organization’s award for most meritorious service.
- Also on Sunday morning, Larry Andrews (PCSO/CA) presented the Salzmann Lecture, “The Six Elements of Orofacial Harmony”.
- Sunday, during the Excellence Luncheon, Kevin O’Brien (INT/UK) received the Jarabak Award.

NAMED AWARDS

Recently four new AAO Foundation Named Awards have been created, with friends, colleagues and admirers contributing an aggregate of \$250,000 towards the establishment of each of these new awards:

- *Robert L. Boyd Biomedical Research Award*
 - In honor of Dr. Boyd
- *Burstone-Indiana Biomechanics Award*
 - In memory of the late Dr. Charles J. Burstone
- *Fred and Diane Garrett Biomedical Research Award*
 - In honor of Dr. Garrett
- *James A. McNamara Orthodontic Faculty Development Fellowship Award*
 - In honor of Dr. McNamara

For more information, including how you can be a part of one of these, go to the AAOF web site (www.aaofoundation.net); select “News”; and then click on one of the Named Awards and also “How You Can Support a Named Award”. And, contact the AAOF EVP at 800.424.2841, #546 (rhazel@aaortho.org) if you would like more information on how you can establish a Named Award either in honor of a beloved mentor or on behalf of your family.

NEW DIRECTOR

MASO has selected Orhan Tuncay (MASO/PA) to serve as their Constituent Director. Previously, Bob Bray (MASO/NJ), who continues on the Board as National Planned Giving Chair, also serving as MASO Director after stepping into that role to fill a vacancy. Dr. Tuncay recently completed his second three-year term on the Planning and Awards Review Committee (PARC). He is also an early Regent (#145 out of a current total of 566), marking him as one of the very first academics to pledge at that level, and he is also a member of the Keystone Society.

NEW DIRECTION/STRATEGIC PLAN

The AAOF BOD is well into the process of making an organizational assessment, looking to the future of the Foundation. One of the steps involved is holding a face-to-face session, with the outside facilitator, involving 18 Directors and Key Volunteers and an equal number of those from “outside the tent” to determine a possible new direction. This session is scheduled for late July, with the consultant’s report expected in November, so look for further announcements between now and then and perhaps especially toward the end of the calendar year.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE AAO FOUNDATION IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS

If you have not already included the AAOF in your estate plans, please complete and return the attached Keystone Society form and thus become an AAOF Keystone. The future of our specialty is in our hands.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

See the AAO Foundation website at www.aaofoundation.net for more information.

Or, if you should have any questions or concerns, please call Robert Hazel, AAOF EVP, at 800-424-2841, #ext. 546 (rhazel@aaortho.org), or me at your convenience.

Mark E. Berkman (GLAO/MI), GLAO Director

**Foundation
Keystone Society Response Form**

Continued Commitment to the Specialty®

___ I have made a **Continued Commitment to the Specialty®** to include the AAO Foundation in my estate plans.

___ The planned giving vehicle I have selected (e.g., will/bequest, life insurance proceeds, trust, etc.) is: _____

___ The type of planned gift has not yet been determined.

Keystone Society

___ Having made this commitment, please add my name to the Keystone Society list.

___ Please list me anonymously.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State ZIP: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____



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