

Trustee Report
February 15, 2020

Making great decisions for all of our members!

The AAO has five core values. One of these being “*We are inclusive*”. As an organization, the AAO represents a very diverse group of orthodontists. Gender, ethnic, practice modality and experiential diversity creates a great challenge for both the planning and the provision of valuable resources for each of our members. However, if we can get a better understanding of these varied, but not mutually exclusive groups and their unique needs, we can focus on providing even greater member value.

Each and every time the AAO Board of Trustees (BOT) consider various issues, we frame these in terms of fulfilling the AAO Mission, Purposes, Vision Statement and/or Core Values.

Currently, the BOT has determined the need to help expand the perspectives and expertise of those in senior AAO leadership. We feel that this will be best accomplished by adding up to three At-Large-Trustees in addition to the current members of the BOT.

A bylaws resolution (motion) to expand the BOT to include up to three “at-large” positions will be presented to the 2020 House of Delegates in Atlanta during the [Annual Session](#) (May 1-4). During last Fall’s constituent meetings, Board members presented the resolution and received very positive feedback.

If you would like more information regarding this initiative and/or If you wish to be considered for an at-large AAO trustee position (deadline for application is March 31, 2020), please visit:

<https://www1.aaoinfo.org/aao-seeks-candidates-for-up-to-three-at-large-trustee-positions-2/>

Please reach out to me if you wish to get more information about the At-Large Trustee initiative. You may contact me by e-mail or telephone. I look forward to speaking with you.

Sincerely,
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