



Western Pennsylvania Component Report
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The PAO Board last met November 15-16, 2024, at the Omni Bedford Springs.

The board is planning a multiple session continuing education meeting on Friday, October 3, 2025, which will be held in Philadelphia. The meeting will focus on CE for orthodontists and their staff members, with a clinical session and a session on customer service. There will also be a discussion panel appealing to the local orthodontic residents, who will be offered free admission.

PAO board members will continue to present Lunch & Learns for the orthodontic residents at Pitt, Temple, and Seton Hill in an effort to reach prospective new PAO members in each of these orthodontic programs and to inform and educate them about member benefits. Attempts will also be made to include events at Penn and Einstein if local volunteers can be recruited.

The PAO Hamilton Award for a research project by an orthodontic student will be re-instituted in 2025. Notices and details will be sent out this spring.

The PAO is planning to hold its next Board Meeting in conjunction with the AAO Annual Session in Philadelphia on Saturday, April 26, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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