

ADULT DEFORMITY

Standing Committee – 2 appointments per year with 4 year terms

Frank J. Schwab, Chair	2010
Mark Weidenbaum, Past Chair	2010
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Charges

1. Develop a web-based bibliography and information on adult spine deformity for patient inquiries (work with Patient Education and Website Committees) (proposed by Committee)
2. Write white paper on kyphoplasty (from Aging Spine Committee – already started??)
3. Perform workforce analysis for surgeons performing adult deformity surgery
4. Advocacy for patients
5. Monitor deformity teachings with regard to neurological conference

Ongoing Activities –Working on classification

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities’

1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals and the public
 - b. Improve the quantity and quality of patient information on the SRS website.
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research.

6. Expand the Scoliosis Research Society’s leadership role in influencing the directions in spinal deformity research

ADVOCACY & PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 2 appointments per year with 4 year terms

Daniel W. Green, Chair 2010
 Mark A. Lorenz, Past Chair 2010
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 Richard G. Fessler (C) 2010
 Michael D. Daubs (C) 2010
 William C. Lauerman 2011
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Charges

1. Develop policy for SRS sign-ons from BOS lobbyist, i.e. Chair and Executive can usually approve for time sensitive issues, with copies as information to the Board of Directors.
2. Maintain constant contact with the AAOS specialty society/BOS representative (Goal 5, 3b)
3. Continue to monitor and respond as needed regarding school screening issue. (Goal 5, 1c)
4. Develop process for coordinating advocacy efforts with other associations, including but not limited to AAOS, AANS, NASS, POSNA, AAP. (Goal 5, 1d – Enhance liaison with NASS, AAP, AAOS, POSNA and other stakeholders.)
5. Determine where SRS efforts are most needed, i.e. are some segments such as pediatric spinal deformity and early onset scoliosis not currently well represented by any group?
6. Develop SRS position statement on pediatric spinal implants. (Goal 5, 1b – Continue to improve and refine SRS position statements)
7. Identify SRS members who are politically active in their local or national environment to work on behalf of SRS with regard to Scoliosis Awareness.

Ongoing Activities

- Liaise with US Bone & Joint Decade
- Address public policies, newspaper articles that may affect our patients or members, etc., as they arise.
- Continue to update the web site
- Maintain consistent communication with the new AAOS specialty societies’ Washington consultant
- Continue efforts to maximize relationships with Scoliosis Association & National Scoliosis Foundation and other deformity related organizations

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

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1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals¹ and the public.
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - a. Enable access to treatment for patients with spinal deformity
 - d. Increase Scoliosis Research Society's efforts to influence medical liability reform
 - Tactics for all above
 - i. Increase Scoliosis Research Society support for effective lobbying activity at federal and state levels
 - ii. Encourage Scoliosis Research Society members to donate or commit financial resources to existing efforts
 - iii. Create a prioritized list of items we'd like lobbyists to work on our behalf
2. Increase awareness by the public and SRS member's patients and families about Scoliosis Research Society and Spinal Deformity
3. Increase key stakeholders recognition of SRS's expertise as a primary resource on issues related to Spinal Deformity
 - d. Inform state and local officials re issues related to Spinal Deformity
 - e. Improve awareness through public service

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 3 appointments per year, with 3 year terms

Jeffrey L. Stambough, Chair.....	2010
K. Daniel Riew, Past Chair.....	2010
Hilali H. Noordeen.....	2010
Dennis Crandall	2010
Michael P. Grevitt (C)	2010
Noriaka Kawakami (Program).....	2010
Michael J. Yaszemski (Program).....	2010
Peter F. Sturm (Global Outreach).....	2010
Nancy Hadley Miller (Research)	2010
Hilali H. Noordeen.....	2010
Vincent Arlet	2011
Andrew M. Casden	2011
Ensor E. Transfeldt, Chair Elect.....	2011
Yongjung Kim	2012
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Charges

1. Consider updating/streamlining awards or scholarships, such as humanitarian award, lifetime achievement, or other fellowships that meet the SRS mission and propose them to the BOD.
2. Expand and improve scholarship programs and traveling fellowship programs
3. Develop criteria for selecting host sites for traveling fellows coming to the US
4. Develop guidelines for new awards or scholarships and source of funding (work with Global Outreach and Research Grant Committees).
5. Develop presentations for Awards presentation at Annual Meeting
6. Formalize a mechanism for monitoring and compiling feedback from scholarship and fellowship winners.

Ongoing Activities

- Make selections and coordinate SRS awards and scholarships, including but not limited to Traveling Fellowships, Blount Award, meeting award winners (Hibbs, Moe, Goldstein, Whitecloud, etc.), annual meeting scholarships, Ed Dawson scholarships
- Update the SRS policy manual

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

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1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals² and the public.
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.

BYLAWS & POLICIES COMMITTEE

Standing committee – 1 appointment per year, with 4 year terms

Robert J. Huler, Chair 2010
 J. Abbott Byrd, Past Chair 2010
 Mohammad Mossaad (C) 2010
 James W. Roach..... 2011
 Michael C. Albert, Chair Elect 2012
 Jose Herrera-Soto..... 2013

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Charges

1. Develop written policies to provide guidance on issues which aren't and shouldn't be addressed in bylaws, but should be defined and consistent.
2. Refine policies for fellowship, i.e. requirements for transition
3. Propose amendment to correct inconsistency in Bylaws regarding the Fellowship Committee (Article IX, Committees, Sections 7.2 and 9.3)
4. Refine policies for sections of the policy manual that need updating.

Ongoing Activities

- Respond to questions regarding Bylaws
- Monitor SRS activities to ensure compliance with Bylaws and written policies
- Update policy manual when action items are approved by the Board

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Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

2. Increase awareness by the public and SRS member's patients and families about Scoliosis Research Society and Spinal Deformity
 - c. Establish a policy on how to handle patient/family inquiries

Goal 6: The leaders of the Scoliosis Research Society will operate in a manner consistent with its stature as the pre-eminent spinal deformity society.

4. Increase operational effectiveness across the organization
 - a. Maintain currency of policy and procedures manual

CME COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – President Elect, Vice President, Education, Program, IMAST, Website and WWC Chairs, Chairs Elect and immediate Past Chairs; Past Presidents I, II and III

Lawrence J. Lenke, Chair	2010
Behrooz A. Akbarnia, PPIII.....	2010
Allen W. Carl (Education PCh)	2010
Peter O. Newton (Program PCh)	2010
George H. Thompson, PPII.....	2011
Joseph H. Perra (Education Ch).....	2011
Noriaki Kawakami (Program Ch).....	2011
Michael J. Yaszemski (Program Ch)	2011
Andrew A. Merola (Website Ch).....	2011
Steven D. Glassman (Ed Council Chair)	2011
Oheneba Boachie-Adjei, PPI	2012
Todd J. Albert (IMAST Ch)	2012
Kamal N. Ibrahim (Education ChE)	2012
Laurel C. Blakemore (Program ChE)	2012
John F. Sarwark (Website ChE)	2012
Richard E. McCarthy, Past Chair.....	2013
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Charges

1. Monitor response from ACCME regarding CME application initial denial:
 - a) if favorable decision, develop objectives for CME activities, appropriate evaluation methods and documentation of increasing competence from such activities
 - b) If continued denial, same as 1a, but also determine if and when a reapplication is appropriate
2. Continue to develop guidelines for monitoring and resolving COI issues from our CME activities, including slide review, monitors, etc.
3. Explore the possibility of a universal, web-based full disclosure form for all members of society
4. Explore possibility of additional CME activities, including tutorials, web-based testing from e-text chapters and others

Ongoing Activities

- Oversee CME activities to ensure compliance with ACCME guidelines

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 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.
2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting
 - e. Improve the process of periodic assessment
4. Position Scoliosis Research Society as the primary provider of CME SPINAL DEFORMITY courses by various delivery methods
 - a. Explore use of technology to provide increased CME opportunities
 - b. Monitor the advantages and disadvantages of expanded CME offerings
 - c. Explore opportunities to partner with other organizations to provide CME
 - d. Assess other approaches to education – tutorials, etc.

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

- c. Ensure compliance with conflict of interest disclosure by authors

CODING COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 1 appointment per year, with 4 year terms

Preference given to members who are active in related committees or groups (such as AAOS Coding Committee, RUC, NASS Coding Committee, etc.)

Barton L. Sachs, Chair 2010
James T. Bennett, Past Chair 2010
R. Shay Bess (C)..... 2010
N. Harshavardhana (C) 2010
Jeffrey B. Neustadt, Chair Elect 2011
R. Dale Blasier 2012
Christopher DeWald 2013

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Charges

1. Represent SRS for coding issues with regard to spinal deformity
2. Work on increasing survey responses through messages in the newsletter and on the website
3. Continue and/or increase coding courses, possibly in cooperation with NASS
4. Work on a stronger liaison with NASS and AAOS for access to the RUC

Ongoing Activities

- Prepare regular coding articles for newsletter

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1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - c. Standard accepted practices

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Standing committee – 2 appointments per year, with 4 year terms

Joseph H. Perra, Chair	2010
Allen L. Carl, Past Chair.....	2010
Lawrence L. Haber	2010
Phillip S. Anson (C).....	2010
Sean Molloy (C)	2010
Adam Wollowick (C)	2010
Noriaka Kawakami (Program).....	2010
Michael J. Yaszemski (Program).....	2010
Ahmet Alanay	2011
Kamal N. Ibrahim, Chair Elect	2011
Mark Dekutoski	2012
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“This committee shall be primarily responsible for the education of, dissemination of new information to, and public relations to promote a better understanding of scoliosis and related spinal deformities including but not limited to availability of treatments and early symptoms of scoliosis and related spinal deformities.” (Bylaws Section 9.2)

Charges

1. Review and propose for listing on the web site a list of educational opportunities and potential CME credits that might be obtained through the SRS. This could include, in addition to attending the annual meeting, IMAST, precourses and regional/international courses, other opportunities, such as reviewing an SRS meeting that is posted on the web site or reviewing eposters from a meeting. Some would need to be developed and CME credits applied for.
2. Provide input as a liaison to the Worldwide Course Committee.
3. Develop a plan for the society’s role in providing education and information on new emerging technologies, for example BMP, artificial discs. Consider white papers on 1) off label use of BMP in deformity surgery; 2) image guided technique in deformity surgery. Perhaps appoint an Ad Hoc committee to address this.
4. Evaluate issue of offering tutorials to non-SRS members, expanding tutorials to more international sites. Consider whether travel expenses should be paid for members who travel to teach in a tutorial.
5. Explore options for educational partnerships with other organizations (such as AAOS, Pediatric Academy, Internal medicine, etc.) Potential to provide symposia educating current positions and expanding.
6. Create a list of desired/needed educational opportunities, including an inventory of what is available (see #1) and desired. Survey membership as to topics desired to be developed.
7. Work with Website Committee to explore use of technology to provide increased education offerings

Ongoing Activities:

- Tutorial Program
- Propose topics and organize the pre-courses and ICL’s before the annual meeting
- Propose topics and organize the SRS portion of the FOSA meeting during AAOS Specialty Day

SRS 2010 Pre Meeting course – Cervical Spine Issues. Co-chairs Drs Kuniyoshi Abumi and Dan Riew. Course topics being defined by Japanese contingent. Plan multinational faculty

Lunch symposia for Pre-Meeting Day – Osteoporosis Issues

SRS Portion of FOSA set last year

AAOS “Scientific Exhibit” accepted for 2010 Meeting – Title: Morbidity and Mortality Data Research is a Unique Contribution of the Membership of the SRS

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 - e. Capitalize on opportunities presented by the new spine deformity online textbook
 - f. Explore what would be entailed in creating an international journal of spinal deformity (capture the gap between text book and journal and explore Wikipedia concept)
2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST³ meeting
 - a. Explore the different formats for the scientific components of the meeting
 - c. Evaluate cost optimization opportunities
 - d. Develop and implement a marketing plan
 - e. Improve the process of periodic assessment
 - f. Facilitate attendance by international surgeons, young surgeons, neurosurgeons, surgeons in training and allied health and scientists
3. Increase educational opportunities for spine deformity surgeons where there is limited access to training
 - a. Assess educational needs for international surgeons
 - b. Explore the use of technology to deliver more education
 - c. Further develop and disseminate the regional course program
 - d. Explore educational opportunities other than ANNUAL MEETING and IMAST for spine deformity surgeons where there is limited access
4. Position Scoliosis Research Society as the primary provider of CME SPINAL DEFORMITY courses by various delivery methods
 - a. Explore use of technology to provide increased CME opportunities
 - b. Monitor the advantages and disadvantages of expanded CME offerings
 - c. Explore opportunities to partner with other organizations to provide CME
 - d. Assess other approaches to education – tutorials, etc.

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 3 Past Presidents, plus 9 other members – 3 appointments per year, with 3 year terms

Frances A. Farley, Chair.....	2010
Baron S. Lonner, Past Chair	2010
Behrooz A. Akbarnia, PP3.....	2010
Eldin Karaikovic.....	2010
James F. Mooney	2010
George H. Thompson, PP2	2011
Alvin H. Crawford, Chair Elect.....	2011
Matthew B. Dobbs	2011
Karl E. Rathjen	2011
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Charges

1. Develop regional estate planning dinners with OREF (Goal 1, 1)
2. Develop education and awareness of trust and life insurance opportunities for endowment growth (annual meeting, IMAST, and web site).
3. Create ways to encourage all members to contribute to endowment (suggestions: clarify how well members understand giving options and how money is used, publish lists of Shands donors) (Goal 1, 1b)
4. Create a program to engage international members in giving (suggestions: develop easily understandable information, develop structure for members to shepherd international members) (G1, 1c)
5. Increase efforts to reach new members with importance of supporting research funds (G1, 1d)
6. Work with Public Relations Committee to identify and develop methods for soliciting donations from patients, increasing public awareness (suggestions: items on website, endowed chair approach for grateful patients, information on endowment fund/research donations in all patient materials) (G1, 2c)
7. Work with OREF and Ana Luque to continue to explore possibility of fund honoring Dr. Luque
8. Work with OREF and SRS staff to better explain and clarify various giving options (Endowment versus Designated Giving, etc.)
9. Develop and implement program for contacting senior members about planned giving options.
10. Emphasize new Shands members

Ongoing Activities

- Continue to develop and expand strategies for increased donations

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

1. Increase awareness of available funds and criteria for research
3. Ensure a continued funding stream for research
 - a. Receive clear level of annual funding for research
 - b. Create mechanism to determine more predictable annual research funding
 - c. Create an annual escrow account for funds allocated
 - d. Periodically re-evaluate allocation strategy from funding sources

Goal 3: The Scoliosis Research Society will have a funding base large and diversified enough to ensure financial stability in funding education, research advocacy with sound fiscal operating policies.

1. Increase Societal funds from outside/external source
 - a. Develop a philanthropic program to encourage non-medical sources to contribute to the Scoliosis Research Society

- b. Develop new programs to encourage medical industry contributions for both education and research support
 - c. Engage consultants for fund raising advice and execution
 - d. Develop a program to encourage donations from non-members
4. Increase Societal funds from internal sources (member donors)
- a. Establish a development program in Scoliosis Research Society that helps members identify and guide potential donors
 - b. Create ways to encourage all members to contribute to the Society –and implement Road Map to Philanthropic Participation
 - c. Increase opportunities for designated giving to support specific programs
 - d. Increase opportunities for donations through other vehicles to SRS

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

- 1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - b. Directed research funding with annual review of funding priorities

E-TEXT COMMITTEE

Ad Hoc Committee – 5 members with 6 year terms

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Todd J. Albert 2010
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Charges

1. Continue development of E-Text based on the spinal deformity curriculum
2. Monitor access to the E-Text and determine utilization
3. Develop mechanisms to publicize the E-Text to target audiences

Ongoing Activities

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3. Increase educational opportunities for spine deformity surgeons where there is limited access to training
 - a. Assess educational needs for international surgeons
4. Position Scoliosis Research Society as the primary provider of CME SPINAL DEFORMITY courses by various delivery methods

ETHICS COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 1 per year, with 4 year terms

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 Michael J. Bolesta..... 2013
 J. Abbott Byrd..... 2014
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Charges

1. Work closely with the president to be maintain a coordinated direction
2. Redefine committee mission and SRS ethics statement to be sure that it is complete enough and up to date
3. Develop an abbreviated SRS Standard of Professionalism document, based on the AAOS document, but more concise and focused on SRS issues
4. Clearly state process of investigation of alleged breaches in ethics and professionalism in Bylaws and/or Policies and make that openly available
5. Begin an educational program for the membership on ethics and professionalism, using the SRS Newsletter. The message must be generic but based on breach of ethics cases (either proven or not) reported in the SRS, AAOS and other societies. This could be done in the form of a case report. Besides discussing the ethics and professionalism situation, the sequellae or fallout from this both for the individual and the SRS, should be discussed.
6. Participate in education of young leaders and the orientation of new Board members as those relate to ethics and professionalism.

Ongoing Activities

Review, monitor and recommend action as necessary for alleged member violations of ethics and/or professionalism standards

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

6. Expand the Scoliosis Research Society’s leadership role in influencing the directions in spinal deformity research
 - c. Ensure compliance with conflict of interest disclosure by authors

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - c. Standard accepted practices

Goal 6: The leaders of the Scoliosis Research Society will operate in a manner consistent with its stature as the pre-eminent spinal deformity society.

5. Increase awareness of and promote ethical practice
 - a. Further define conflict of interest and create awareness of its importance

EVIDENCE BASED OUTCOMES COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 1 per year, with 3 year terms, plus Research Chair

James O. Sanders, Chair	2010
Douglas C. Burton, Past Chair	2010
Reginald Q. Knight, Past Chair	2010
Dale V. Hoekstra	2010
Nancy Hadley Miller (Research)	2010
James V. Raso (Assoc)	2010
Gregory M. Mundis (C)	2010
Richard E. Bowen, Chair Elect	2011
Robert B. Campbell	2011
William A. Phillips	2011
Dilip K. Sengupta	2011
J. Bradley Williamson	2012

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Charges

Develop plans for encouraging and making better use of Evidence Based Medicine in SRS research and education

From Patient Based Outcomes Committee:

1. Gather data on existing neuromuscular outcomes instruments and what would be required for validation of those
2. Place the annotated bibliography on the web site
3. Working with Adult Deformity and Growing Spine Committees, identify methods for long term follow-up of patients, their treatment and their outcomes

Ongoing Activities

- Work with program committee to track levels of evidence in accepted abstracts

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Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

2. Improve the quality of evidence in spinal deformity clinical research
6. Expand the Scoliosis Research Society's leadership role in influencing the directions in spinal deformity research
7. Maximize our ability to assess our research efforts
 - a. Continue to improve and evaluate the process for evaluating the subsequent productivity of a research grant recipient, i.e., presentations, peer review publications and subsequent grants
 - i. Communicate findings to membership and grant recipients

- b. Continually strengthen the process for evaluating the scientific outcome of each funded grant
 - ii. Communicate findings to membership and grant recipients
- c. Evaluate the impact of the grants vis a vis the value of funding

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

- 1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - a. Directed research funding with annual review of funding priorities
 - b. Standard accepted practices

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

Mark Weidenbaum, Chair.....	2010
J. Abbott Byrd, Past Chair	2010
Serena S. Hu. Chair Elect	2011
Carlos Tello	2012
Laurel C. Blakemore.....	2013

Council: Governance

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Standing Committee per Section 9.3 of the Bylaws. Per Section 7.2 of the Bylaws, the Nominating Committee shall select one member of the Fellowship Committee each year.

Charges

- 1) Establish a recruitment program (GAAB & Public Relations Committee to assist) (Suggestions: define the pool of potential non-US members, develop methods to involve members in personal recruitment, create a list of values and benefits of SRS membership, increase awareness of SRS globally, promote true image of SRS)
- 2) Monitor and publicize the mentoring program for Candidate Fellows
- 3) Develop a process to identify future leaders as early as the application process (GAAB & Public Relations Committee to assist)
- 4) Develop an online membership application process and be paperless by 2012
- 5) Present a Non-Member information session each year at Annual Meeting and/or IMAST

Ongoing Activities

- Review of membership applications, recommendations regarding acceptance

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 4: Though its programs and services, the SRS will attract qualified individuals world wide to Fellowship and participation

1. Increase the number of members world wide
 - a. Identify and recruit qualified individuals
 - b. Make the admission program more attractive
 - c. Establish relationships with major Spinal Deformity organizations worldwide
 - d. Increase the world wide involvement in Annual Meeting and IMAST
2. Increase awareness of and opportunities for leadership level involvement by members world wide (should fall under leadership goal)
 - a. Identify the pool of potential Scoliosis Research Society non-North American candidates
 - i. Explore a member based recruitment program
 - b. Explore leadership development opportunities
3. Mentorship: Implement a world wide mentorship program (new)
 - a. Identify new members
 - b. Provide with **local** contacts
 - c. Create a forum for professional development of junior members to enhance their participation in the Fellowship

A metric might be seeing them through the Fellowship process

Goal 6: The leaders of the Scoliosis Research Society will operate in a manner consistent with its stature as the pre-eminent spinal deformity society.

3. Increase involvement of members from all regions of the world into Scoliosis Research Society leadership positions

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Standing Committee

Defined members: Treasurer, President, President Elect, Vice President, Treasurer Elect (when in office), Executive Director and Director of Accounting

Steven M. Mardjetko, Chair 2011
 Richard E. McCarthy 2010
 Lawrence G. Lenke 2011
 B. Stephens Richards 2012
 Tressa Goulding, Executive Director Ad Hoc
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Charges

1. Work with Endowment Committee to develop an active plan to encourage 100% participation in the Shands circle for SRS leadership, such as all board members and committee chairs, co-chairs, chair elects, and representatives to other organizations such as FOSA and BOS. Consider a policy statement that all members of the Board be encouraged to become Shands Circle members.
2. Increase opportunities for designated giving to support specific programs (including specific research projects and topics). Improve understanding of what kinds of programs or research topics would have appeal and to whom, then create and implement a plan to obtain support for those. (with support from other committees such as Growing Spine, Research, Global Outreach, etc.)
3. Increase operating revenues, both in terms of dollars and sources. Investigate what other organizations are doing and look at other potential sources for non-dues revenue.
4. Evaluate cost reduction opportunities for the annual meeting in order to enhance its value while providing greater income for other activities.
5. Schedule yearly meeting to finalize budget.

Ongoing Activities

- Budget Preparation and oversight
- Monitor investment options
- Review and update written financial policies at least once every five years (once during each Treasurer’s term)
- Ensure compliance with SRS written financial policies

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

3. Ensure a continued funding stream for research
 - b. Receive clear level of annual funding for research
 - c. Create mechanism to determine more predictable annual research funding
 - d. Create an annual escrow account for funds allocated
 - e. Periodically re-evaluate allocation strategy from funding sources

Goal 3: The Scoliosis Research Society will have a funding base large and diversified enough to ensure financial stability in funding education, research advocacy with sound fiscal operating policies.

1. Increase Societal funds from outside/external source
 - a. Develop a philanthropic program to encourage non-medical sources to contribute to the Scoliosis Research Society

- b. Develop new programs to encourage medical industry contributions for both education and research support
 - c. Engage consultants for fund raising advice and execution
 - d. Develop a program to encourage donations from non-members
2. Increase operating revenues both in terms of dollars and sources and decrease operating expenses in order to support SRS programs
 - a. Increase revenue through innovative educational strategies (i.e., e-journals, web site advertising, etc)
 - i. Coordinate funding strategy with educational committee
 - b. Examine opportunities for selective line item reductions
 - c. Program reduction or elimination
3. Further diversification of SRS funding through additional vehicles, such as a separate SRS education and research fund, and addition of an SRS research escrow account

GLOBAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 3 appointments per year, with 3 year terms

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Kamal N. Ibrahim (Worldwide Course)	2010	
Hazem Elsebaie (C)	2010	Chair Elect Information:
Hani Mhaidli (C).....	2010	Phone:1-206-543-3690
Sanjeev Suratwala (C)	2010	Fax: 1-206- 685-3139
David H. Clements.....	2011	Email: wagner@u.washington.edu
Hossein Mehdian	2011	
Theodore A. Wagner, Chair Elect	2011	Council: Education
Kenneth J. Paonessa.....	2012	Board Liaison: J. Abbott Byrd
Anthony S. Rinella.....	2012	Staff Liaison: Katie Agard
Youssry MK El-Hawary	2012	Backup: Nadine Couto

Charges

1. Place on the web site guidelines and current programs for SRS members to participate in clinical outreach programs.
2. Maintain teaching curriculum for use in developing countries, coordinate with David Spiegel from POSNA. Perhaps incorporate all or part of the SRS Core Curriculum.
3. Explore opportunities to work with other organizations such as Orthopaedics Overseas, AAOS, regional associations.
4. Coordinate with Worldwide Course Committee to develop guidelines for SRS working with local organizations to deliver education.
5. Continuously identify underserved areas that need more spinal deformity care and training. (suggestions: liaise with other groups and agencies such as HVO, WHO, POSNA, SICOT, etc. and work with the international department of AAOS to obtain their needs assessments.)
6. Establish resource allocation and/or implant recycling system for spine surgeons (work with Industry Relations TF)
7. Improve/establish ground rules for educational programs that are curriculum specific for their region (work with International Affairs Committee)
9. Exhibit a featured site at the Annual Meeting
11. Develop a program to recruit senior members to outreach programs
12. Work with Research Committee to look at and compare the impact of deformity surgery in developing nations for potential grants
13. Work to get standardized data collection sheet for GOP sites to use in future for assessment of impact of programs

Ongoing Activities

- Serve as a clearing house for members who wish to participate in overseas programs.

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

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 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.
 - d. Develop and implement a plan to increase awareness of the website as a key source of information
 - e. Capitalize on opportunities presented by the new spine deformity online textbook
2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting
 - f. Facilitate attendance by international surgeons, young surgeons, neurosurgeons, surgeons in training and allied health and scientists

GROWING SPINE COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 3 appointments per year with 4 year terms

Laurel C. Blakemore, Chair	2010
Francisco S. Perez-Grueso, Past Chair	2010
Alain Dimeglio (H).....	2010
Vincent F.X. Deeney	2010
Behrooz A. Akbarnia	2010
Hazem Elsebaie (C)	2010
Amer Samdani (C).....	2010
John Tis (C)	2010
Lawrence I. Karlin, Chair Elect	2011
Carlos A. Tello.....	2011
Bruce L Gillingham	2012
Eric T. Jones	2012
Suken Shah	2012
Michael C. Ain.....	2013
Michael J. Mendelow.....	2013
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PEDIATRIC DEVICE TASK FORCE

Robert M. Campbell, Chair	B. Stephens Richards
Behrooz A. Akbarnia	Brian D. Snyder
Laurel C. Blakemore	Michael G. Vitale
David W. Polly, Jr.	

Charges

1. Form a joint task force (with POSNA?) to consider Study Groups working together to facilitate clinical trials:
 - Standardize data collection
 - Define standard outcomes measure that can be utilized for all study groups
 - Devise a classification system for EOS
 - Facilitate funding of tasks
2. Complete white paper on known literature regarding growing spine issues and standard of care.
3. Liaison for AAOS on issue of FDA’s policy on pediatric devices
4. Complete web site content on growing spine
5. Luncheon Symposium for 2010 SRS Annual Meeting

Ongoing Activities

1. Liaison with study groups: Mini-retreat prior to ICEOS, AAOS – GS Committee and study group representatives
2. Develop white paper on standard of care: Akbarnia, Tis, Blakemore (J. Flynn and G. Thompson also)
3. Participation in taskforce (with POSNA) to address FDA on pediatric device development
4. Liaison with EBOC

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Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

6. Expand the Scoliosis Research Society’s leadership role in influencing the directions in spinal deformity research

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Standing Committee

Chaired by Historian, who is Board appointed for a three year renewable term

1 appointment per year, with 3 year term, plus Past President Three (one year term) and 2nd Director position, or other appointments as needed to assist Historian

Nathan H. Lebowhl, Historian..... 2011
Behrooz A. Akbarnia, PP3 & Chair Elect.... 2012
Paul Huddleston (C) 2010
Daniele A. Fabris-Monterumici 2010
John J. Grayhack..... 2011
David H. Clements..... 2012
Azmi Hamzaoglu 2013

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Charges

1. Work with the Web Site Committee to establish links to historical information.
2. Exhibit at the Annual meeting pertinent to location
 - Japanese contributions (2010)
 - Leatherman exhibit (2011)
3. Bi-yearly newsletter articles
4. Update searchable database of past meeting abstracts
5. Create database of award winning papers with links to published versions
6. Create memorial section of archive website
7. Add presidential and guest lectures to website, either in video or print format, according to availability

Ongoing Projects

- Video interviews with past presidents and other selected individuals
- Annually update archives with meeting transcripts, board minutes and other pertinent materials and correspondence

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities

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 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.

IMAST COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 1 appointment per year, with 4 year terms

Chair to serve a 4 year term, then 2 years as Past Chair

Chair Elect to serve a 2 year term

Todd J. Albert, Chair	2012
Lawrence G. Lenke, Past Chair	2010
Khaled Kebaish (C)	2010
Yutaka Sasao (C)	2010
Kamal Ibrahim (Education ChE)	2011
B. Stephens Richards	2011
Michael F. O’Brien	2012
Praveen Mummaneni	2013
Daniel J. Sucato	2013

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Backup: Nadine Couto

Charges

- I. Decide whether there should be a precourse for IMAST each year and, if yes, work with the Education Council to arrange the program.

Ongoing Activities

- Develop yearly IMAST program
- Select annual Whitecloud Award winners

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

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 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.
2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting

Strategies

- a. Explore the different formats for the scientific components of the meeting
- c. Evaluate cost optimization opportunities
- d. Develop and implement a marketing plan
- e. Improve the process of periodic assessment
3. Increase educational opportunities for spine deformity surgeons where there is limited access to training
 - a. Assess educational needs for international surgeons
 - b. Explore the use of technology to deliver more education

Goal 4: Though its programs and services, the SRS will attract qualified individuals world wide to Fellowship and participation

1. Increase the number of members world wide
 - d. Increase the world wide involvement in Annual Meeting and IMAST

INDUSTRY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – President, Treasurer, PPI, President Elect, Vice President, Research Council Chair, IMAST Chair plus 1 appointed members with 3 years terms. PPI to serve as Chair

Oheneba Boachie-Adjei, Chair 2010
George H. Thompson, Past Chair 2010
J. Bradley Williamson..... 2010
Peter O. Newton (Res. Council) 2010
Kamal N. Ibrahim (WWC) 2010
Richard E. McCarthy, Chair Elect 2011
Steven M. Mardjetko (Treas)..... 2011
Vincent Arlet 2011
John P. Dormans 2011
Hansen A. Yuan..... 2011
Lawrence G. Lenke (Pres. Elect) 2012
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Backup: Megan Kelley

Charges

- 1) Review relationship of industry with SRS and formulate the corporate partners program
- 2) Identify areas currently being supported and other potential areas for support
- 3) Develop guidelines, policies and detailed program
- 4) Coordinate requests from committees for industry support (eg GOP, WWC)
- 5) Work with Finance and Research committees to determine what kinds of programs or research topics would have appeal and to whom, then create and implement a plan to obtain support for those
- 6) Develop a process for coordinating annual giving by industry to SRS
- 7) Identify and expand lists of potential industry donors (US and non-US) to be contacted
 - a) Coordinate the non-US companies with GAAB chair
- 8) Work with CME Committee on written policies related to ACCME compliance
- 9) Set the agenda topics for the annual IMAST Corporate Advisory Board meeting

Planned Activities

Conference call after Cabinet Meeting

Review the approved Corporate Partners Program for implementation

Review inter committee communications

Set 2010 calendar for Diamond and Double Diamond visits

Conference call in February

To review AAOS industry visit agenda in New Orleans with IMAST Chair and PL

Conference call in April/May

To plan IMAST Corporate Advisory Board Agenda

Conference call in July – post IMAST

Recommend GOP, CME and GAAB as liaisons or designated members

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities

2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting

c. Evaluate cost optimization opportunities

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

3. Ensure a continued funding stream for research

Goal 3: The Scoliosis Research Society will have a funding base large and diversified enough to ensure financial stability in funding education, research advocacy with sound fiscal operating policies.

1. Increase Societal funds from outside/external source

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Standing Committee to include President, three most immediate Past Presidents, IMAST Committee Chair, Global Outreach and Worldwide Course Chairs. Immediate past president to serve one-year term as Chair

Oheneba Boachie-Adjei, Chair 2010
 George H. Thompson, Past Chair 2010
 Peter F. Sturm (Global Outreach) 2010
 Behrooz A. Akbarnia, PP3..... 2010
 Kamal N. Ibrahim (Worldwide Course) 2010
 Todd J. Albert (IMAST) 2012
 Richard E. McCarthy, Chair Elect 2013

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Charges

1. Develop list of potential cities and venues for future SRS Meetings
2. Develop policies for site visits and site selections

Ongoing Activities:

1. Coordinate locations and dates for all SRS educational events, including annual meeting, IMAST, and regional courses, in order to ensure broad coverage, avoid overlap and take advantage of potential price breaks.
2. Working with SRS office, obtain and review proposals and develop recommendations for future meeting sites

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities

2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting
 - b. Explore other venue options to optimize attendance and economic concerns
 - c. Evaluate cost optimization opportunities

MORBIDITY & MORTALITY COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 2 appointments per year, with 4 year terms

D. Raymond Knapp, Chair	2010
Joseph H. Perra, Past Chair.....	2010
Hilali H. Noordeen.....	2010
Christopher P. Ames (C).....	2010
Justin S. Smith (C).....	2010
Sigurd H. Berven	2011
Michael J. Goytan, Chair Elect.....	2011
Paul A. Broadstone	2012
Theodore J. Choma.....	2012
Michael S. Roh	2013
Yongjung Kim	2013

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Charges

1. Develop strategies to increase percentage of responses;
2. Develop a strategy to assess the accuracy of the M&M data
3. Assess the value of the M&M data to the membership
4. Continue initiative for simplification of entry and submission. Work with Website Committee to further enhance web-based availability for data entry and review of findings
5. Continue efforts to make better use of data, i.e., presentations and/or publication

Ongoing Activities

- Oversee collection of M&M data and development of reports
- Review subset of information each year; present at annual meeting and submit for publication

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

5. Conduct ongoing critical evaluation of the M&M process
 - a. Communicate changes in M&M strategy and implementation process to the membership on a regular basis

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 1 member per year, with a 3 year appointment

Chair will serve a 3 year term as Newsletter Editor, with option for reappointment

Vicki Kalen, Chair & Medical Editor 2010
John Tis (C) 2010
Marinus de Kleuver 2010
Kathy Blanke (Assoc)..... 2010
John P. Lubicky 2011
Erich Buchl (A)..... 2012

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Charges

1. Develop plans for content, on a long term basis, perhaps working with a consultant and/or surveying members to find out what they would like to read about.
2. Along with Website Committee, promote the value and benefits of SRS (research, education, etc.) through the website and newsletter.
3. Use the newsletter as a vehicle to educate members regarding leadership skills and opportunities
4. Use the newsletter to disseminate information about SRS activities and opportunities for involvement in order to increase engagement of all SRS members in society activities
5. Write-in questions column. Committee can develop question maybe for a committee.

Ongoing Activities

- Produce quarterly newsletter, according to schedule.

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 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.
 - e. Capitalize on opportunities presented by the new spine deformity online textbook

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

- 5,a Communicate changes in M&M strategy and implementation process to the membership on a regular basis
- 7,a,i. Communicate findings to membership and grant recipients

Goal 3: The Scoliosis Research Society will have a funding base large and diversified enough to ensure financial stability in funding education, research advocacy with sound fiscal operating policies.

4. Increase Societal funds from internal sources (member donors)

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

3. Increase involvement of members from all regions of the world into Scoliosis Research Society leadership positions

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – Appointed Chair (normally immediate Past President) plus four elected members

Oheneba Boachie-Adjei, Chair 2010
Denis S. Drummond 2010
Steven D. Glassman 2010
Munish C. Gupta 2010
Steven M. Mardjetko 2010

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Council: Reports to Board

Board Liaison: George Thompson

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Charges

1. Assess potential candidates for SRS Board of Directors and Fellowship Committee
2. Develop slate of officers for 2010 Election at SRS Annual Meeting:
 - ❖ Vice President
 - ❖ Treasurer Elect
 - ❖ Two Directors at Large
 - ❖ One member of the Fellowship Committee
3. Draft letter to the membership soliciting for nominations with instructions
4. Contact nominees for consent to serve in elected positions
5. Report slate of officers to the board at the July Board meeting (IMAST)
6. Evaluate nomination process and provide feedback to the Board
7. Assist with leadership development

Planned Activities for 2010

Conference call in December to review qualifications

Conference call in March to review submitted list

Conference call in April to create short list

Conference call in May to finalize list of officers

NON-OPERATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 2 appointments per year, with 3 year terms

Brian G. Smith, Chair	2010
Raymond D. Knapp, Jr, Past Chair	2010
Jeffrey D. Thomson	2010
Dymtro Petrenko (C)	2010
Anatolii Levytsky (C)	2010
Richard H. Gross	2011
John G. Thometz, Chair Elect.....	2011
Nigel J. Price.....	2012
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Charges

1. Continue to update SRS Brace Manual as needed
2. Update annotated bibliography on bracing for the SRS website
3. Communicate to SRS Board status of BrAIST study via contact with Stu Weinstein and Lori Dolan
4. Consider developing Annotated Bibliography on Physical Therapy and/or other Alternative treatments (such as chiropractic) for scoliosis, based on peer reviewed literature articles.
5. Consider developing Annotated Bibliography on European braces and non-operative treatment of scoliosis
6. Work with Patient Education Committee to develop website FAQs on non-operative treatment

Ongoing Activities

- Continue to monitor technology in bracing design and fabrication and update the website and Bracing Manual

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

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 - b. Improve the quantity and quality of patient information on the SRS website.
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - c. Standard accepted practices

PATIENT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 3 appointments per year, with 3 year terms.

Ram Mudiya, Chair	2010
John T. Killian, Past Chair.....	2010
Vishwas R. Talwalkar.....	2010
Connie Poe Kochert (A)	2010
Toni Cawley (A).....	2011
Walter F. Krengel	2011
Jay Shapiro, Chair Elect.....	2011
Glen M. Ginsburg	2012
Christopher Bergin.....	2012
Michael C. Albert	2012
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Backup: Courtney Kissinger

Charges

- 1 Develop and coordinate development of additional patient materials, primarily for the website
 - a. Survey patients and families for topics of interest
 - b. Consider a possible interactive session
 - c. Review and update educational material, both printed and online, on a regular basis
- 2 Develop guidelines or process for responding to patient inquiries
- 3 Enhance patient advocacy and increase marketing to patients about SRS and spinal deformity through the website and printed materials

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities

1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals and the public
 - b. Improve the quantity and quality of patient information on the SRS website.
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - a. Enable access to treatment for patients with spinal deformity
2. Increase awareness by the public and SRS member’s patients and families about Scoliosis Research Society and Spinal Deformity
 - a. Improve the website
 - b. Encourage members to use existing educational materials available through Scoliosis Research Society (FAQ section on website)

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

**Standing Committee – 3 appointments per year, with 3 year terms, plus reviewers with one year terms
Core group of Past Chair, Chair, Chair Elect, IMAST Chair and IMAST Chair Elect will meet to develop programs, select posters and e-posters for both annual meeting and IMAST**

Noriaki Kawakami, Co-Chair	2010
Michael J. Yaszemski, Co-Chair	2010
Peter O. Newton, Past Chair	2010
Lawrence G. Lenke (IMAST Past Chair)	2010
Patrick J. Connolly.....	2010
Peter S. Rose (C).....	2010
Laurel C. Blakemore, Chair Elect.....	2011
Andrew M. Casden	2011
Marinus de Kleuver	2011
Todd J. Albert, IMAST Chair	2012
R. Haluk Berk	2012
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2010 Abstract Reviewers-

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Akesen Burak (C) 2010	Ahmad Nassr (C) 2010	Joseph Verska 2011
Michael Daubs (C) 2010	Greg Mundis (C) 2010	Todd Albert (I) 2012
Ujjwal Debnath (C) 2010	Brian O'Shaughnessy (C) 2010	Elizabeth Ames 2012
Mark Dekutoski 2010	Yutaka Sasao (C) (I) 2010	Stephen Lewis 2012
Paul Huddleston (C) 2010	Paul Glazer 2011	Michael O'Brien (I) 2012
Brian Hsu (C) 2010	Henry Iwinski 2011	Kenneth Paonessa 2012
Khaled Kebaish (C) (I) 2010	Steve Richards (I) 2011	P. Mummaneni (I) 2013
Lawrence G. Lenke (I) 2010	Hawart Singh 2011	Daniel Sucato (I) 2013

Charges

1. Working with Education Committee, explore different formats for scientific components of the annual meeting
2. Develop & implement a process for periodic assessment of the annual meeting
3. Working with Education Committee, create additional value in the scientific program for international surgeons, young surgeons, neurosurgeons, surgeons in training and allied health
4. Working with Education Committee, enhance input and create more opportunities for participation by groups listed above in the Annual Meeting. Also create more opportunities for SRS members to present their work (Re-evaluate the guidelines of not presenting more than two papers).
5. Consider limitations on the number of papers accepted from one medical center.
6. Consider a mechanism for determining the quality of papers submitted as a result of multicenter studies.
7. Work with CME Committee on methods to better meet ACCME recommendations.

Ongoing Activities

- Review of abstracts, selection of papers and posters, development of program for SRS Annual Meeting and free paper portion of IMAST program

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1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals and the public
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.

2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting
 - a. Explore the different formats for the scientific components of the meeting
 - d. Develop and implement a marketing plan
 - e. Improve the process of periodic assessment
 - f. Facilitate attendance by international surgeons, young surgeons, neurosurgeons, surgeons in training and allied health and scientists

Tactics

- i. Consider strategies to increase the diversity of paper presentations without affecting the quality
- ii. Additional value in the scientific program for the target group (e.g., translation)
- iv. Enhance opportunities for participation by the targeted groups in the meeting program

Goal 4: Through its programs and services, the SRS will attract qualified individuals world wide to Fellowship and participation

1. Increase the number of members world wide
 - d. Increase the world wide involvement in Annual Meeting and IMAST

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Standing committee- 2 appointments per year with 3 year terms

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Charges:

(Suggested Charges)

1. Assess public service announcements
2. Annually identify newsworthy items for AAOS Annual Meeting
3. Work with Historical committee to start preparing for 50th Anniversary
4. Complete and get approval for pamphlet “What you should know about the SRS”
5. Update marketing plan

Ongoing Activities:

Related Goals from February 2009 Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities

1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals and the public.
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.
 - d. Develop and implement a plan to increase awareness of the website as a key source of information
2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting
 - d. Develop and implement a marketing plan
 - f. Facilitate attendance by international surgeons, young surgeons, neurosurgeons, surgeons in training and allied health and scientists
 - i. Promote SRS value at the meetings via booth

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

1. Increase awareness of available funds and criteria for research
 - a. Promote the availability of research grants and the process to apply

Goal 3: The Scoliosis Research Society will have a funding base large and diversified enough to ensure financial stability in funding education, research advocacy with sound fiscal operating policies.

4. Increase Societal funds from internal sources (member donors)
 - a. Establish a development program in Scoliosis Research Society that helps members identify and guide potential donors

- b. Create ways to encourage all members to contribute to the Society –and implement Road Map to Philanthropic Participation
- c. Increase opportunities for designated giving to support specific programs
- d. Increase opportunities for donations through other vehicles to SRS

Goal 4: Though its programs and services, the SRS will attract qualified individuals world wide to Fellowship and participation

- 1. Increase the number of members world wide
 - a. Identify and recruit qualified individuals
 - b. Make the admission program more attractive
 - c. Establish relationships with major Spinal Deformity organizations worldwide
 - d. Increase the world wide involvement in Annual Meeting and IMAST
- 2. Increase awareness of and opportunities for leadership level involvement by members world wide (should fall under leadership goal)
 - a. Identify the pool of potential Scoliosis Research Society non-North American candidates
 - i. Explore a member based recruitment program
 - b. Explore leadership development opportunities

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

- 1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - c. Increase Scoliosis Research Society's efforts to influence medical liability reform
 - Tactics for all above
 - i. Increase Scoliosis Research Society support for effective lobbying activity at federal and state levels
 - ii. Encourage Scoliosis Research Society members to donate or commit financial resources to existing efforts
 - iii. Encourage creation of standardization of spinal cord monitoring
 - iv. Create a prioritized list of items we'd like lobbyists to work on our behalf
- 2. Increase awareness by the public and SRS member's patients and families about Scoliosis Research Society and Spinal Deformity
 - b. Encourage members to use existing educational materials available through Scoliosis Research Society (FAQ section on website)
- 3. Increase key stakeholders recognition of SRS's expertise as a primary resource on issues related to Spinal Deformity
 - a. Improve awareness through public service

Goal 6: The leaders of the Scoliosis Research Society will operate in a manner consistent with its stature as the pre-eminent spinal deformity society.

- 2. Increase the engagement of all Scoliosis Research Society members into society activities
 - a. Create mechanism for increasing participation for all Scoliosis Research Society members

RESEARCH GRANT COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 3 appointments per year, with 4 year terms

Nancy Hadley Miller, Chair.....	2010
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Srinivasa Vidyadhara (C).....	2010
Matthew B. Dobbs.....	2011
Peter P. Masso.....	2011
Dilip K. Sengupta, Chair Elect.....	2011
Federico P. Girardi.....	2012
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Charges

1. Prepare and place on the web site an annual information statement which summarizes the specific aims of the currently funded grants, progress (if any), and a summation of previously funded.
2. Present an update on research grant options (including categories, available amounts) at the Annual Meeting
3. Promote the availability of research grants and the process to apply
4. Identify funding opportunities in government, industry, development and other societies. Work with the Awards & Scholarship Committee to determine award winners and consider proposing to the Awards Committee new recipients such as “Clinical Scientist Award”.
5. Develop & implement a process for evaluating scientific outcome of each funded grant and subsequent productivity of research grant recipients
6. Establish formal guidelines regarding grants the Cotrel Foundation is willing to accept.
7. Develop policies and potential penalties for grant recipients who don’t submit final reports

Ongoing Activities

- Review of grant applications, recommendations for funding
- Monitor results (presentations, publications) from previous grants

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

1. Increase awareness of available funds and criteria for research
 - a. Promote the availability of research grants and the process to apply
2. Improve the quality of evidence in spinal deformity clinical research
3. Ensure a continued funding stream for research
4. Create and promote young spinal deformity researchers
5. Conduct ongoing critical evaluation of the M&M process
 - a. Communicate changes in M&M strategy and implementation process to the membership on a regular basis
6. Expand the Scoliosis Research Society’s leadership role in influencing the directions in spinal deformity research
 - a. Involve the existing clinical study groups and their activities
 - b. Develop a plan for evaluating the initiation of an Scoliosis Research Society guided clinical study
 - c. Ensure compliance with conflict of interest disclosure by authors
 - d. Develop directed research priorities

7. Maximize our ability to assess our research efforts

- a. Continue to improve and evaluate the process for evaluating the subsequent productivity of a research grant recipient, i.e., presentations, peer review publications and subsequent grants
 - i. Communicate findings to membership and grant recipients
- b. Continually strengthen the process for evaluating the scientific outcome of each funded grant
 - i. Communicate findings to membership and grant recipients
- c. Evaluate the impact of the grants vis a vis the value of funding

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

- 1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
 - a. Enable access to treatment for patients with spinal deformity
 - b. Directed research funding with annual review of funding priorities

SRS / SPINE LIAISON COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 2 appointments per year, with 3 year terms. Whenever possible, Chair should be chosen from highest serving members on Spine Editorial Board. In such instances, Chair’s term may be consistent with term of appointment to the Spine Editorial Board or that person shall serve as an Advisor.

Allen W. Carl, Chair (Education Past Chair).....2010
Paul D. Sponseller, Past Chair2010
Munish C. Gupta.....2010
John A I Ferguson (C)2010
Joseph W. Perra, Chair Elect (Education Chair)...2011
Kamal N. Ibrahim (Education Chair Elect)2012
Frank J. Schwab.....2012
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Charges

1. Work with Editors at *Spine* to facilitate communication between *Spine* and SRS to improve review process and acceptance rate for papers submitted for SRS issues of *Spine*, and to assist authors of spine deformity papers to obtain a second review if they are not pleased with the first review.
2. Encourage submission of manuscripts from all SRS Annual Meeting oral presentations
3. Develop annual SRS Focus issue
4. Solicit top abstracts from IMAST and regional courses for possible publication in SRS issues of *Spine*.
5. Website based membership survey regarding perceived barriers to manuscript submission / acceptance – general perceptions of paper vs. poster presentations
6. Collaboration with Dr. Harshavardhana regarding fate of SRS presentations and subsequent publication on an ongoing basis and whether he is interested in sharing and updating his database on this topic

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities

1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals and the public
 - e. Explore what would be entailed in creating an international journal of spinal deformity (capture the gap between text book and journal and explore Wikipedia concept)

3D SCOLIOSIS

Ad Hoc Committee, with 1 year renewable terms

Hubert H.L. Labelle, Chair	2010
Carl-Eric Aubin, Co-Chair.....	2010
Lawrence G. Lenke.....	2010
Roger P. Jackson.....	2010
Peter O. Newton.....	2010
Stefan Parent (C).....	2010
Pierre Roussouly	2010
Ian A.F. Stokes	2010
Ad Hoc Members	
Mark F. Abel	2010
Kenneth M.C. Cheung	2010
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Richard E. McCall.....	2010
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Charges

1. Continue to develop a 3D classification of AIS
2. Refine the proposed Da Vinci view to evaluate scoliosis and test the refined version with the ad hoc members of the committee
3. Continue the 3D analysis of scoliosis treatment
4. Present a progress report each year at the SRS business meeting
5. Consider possible sources and budget requests for ongoing funding to support work

Ongoing Activities – None – will dissolve when charges are completed

- Next meeting in person: during the AAOS meeting in February 2010
- Next conference call: April 2010
- Next meeting: IMAST 2010 in Toronto

Related Goals from the February 2009 SRS Strategic Plan

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

6. Expand the Scoliosis Research Society's leadership role in influencing the directions in spinal deformity research

WEBSITE COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 2 appointments per year, with 4 year terms

Andrew A. Merola, Chair	2010
Dale E. Rowe	2010
Ram Mudiyaam (Patient Ed.)	2010
Joseph H. Perra (Education)	2010
Paul Huddleston (C)	2010
Ron El-Hawary (C).....	2010
John F. Sarwark, Chair Elect	2011
Michael F. O’Brien	2011
Kit M. Song	2011
Nathan H. Lebowhl (Historian)	2011
Matthew Geck.....	2012
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Charges

1. Continue with plan for improving the entire SRS website for ease of navigation, attractiveness, amount and quality of content and overall value to members and the public, including preparation of budgets for necessary improvements.
2. Evaluate other existing web sites dealing with spine deformity and make sure any that are of good value are linked to the SRS web site.
3. Evaluate other existing web sites dealing with spine deformity and make sure any that are of good value are linked to the SRS web site (ie Wikipedia and you tube). Include the AAOS “Your Orthopaedic Connection”
4. Develop a set of FAQs regarding scoliosis for patients and families to utilize on the website.
5. Put the instrumentation manual on the web site (the SRS Board during its June 2004 meeting felt that having a CD for the instrumentation manual available to sell was not productive and the manual would be better utilized if on the web site.) Work with the Instrumentation Committee to update the information.
6. Upgrade and revise the physician locator section of the web site
7. Develop a user-friendlier Patient and Families section
8. Add a Physician and Medical Professionals section incorporating updated and more sophisticated information as provided by John Killian
9. Assist Patient Education Committee to improve quantity & quality of patient information on the website, establish links to good patient sites, and develop web-based bibliographies for patients
10. Assist Education Committee to explore use of technology to provide more education opportunities.
11. Promote the value and benefits of SRS (research, education, etc.) through the website
12. Assist Patient Education and Public Relations Committees with increased marketing to patients and families regarding SRS and spinal deformity
13. Work with Historical Committee to develop historical section on the website.
14. Create Committees section on the members’ section of the site specific for each committee

Ongoing Activities

- Continue upgrades to member section
- Post the eposters from the annual meeting and IMAST meeting to the web site
- Periodically analyze the web site hit rate report and its trends to assess needs and audience.

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Goal 1: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a global resource for quality education on spinal deformities

1. Make the Scoliosis Research Society website a primary source for current and accurate information regarding spinal deformity for members, medical professionals and the public

Strategies

- a. Assess and improve the attractiveness, ease of navigation, usefulness and value of the website

- b. Improve the quantity and quality of patient information on the SRS website.
 - c. Improve the quantity and quality of member and medical professionals information on the website.
 - d. Develop and implement a plan to increase awareness of the website as a key source of information
 - e. Capitalize on opportunities presented by the new spine deformity online textbook
 - g. Explore avenues to increase website traffic, both domestic and i.e., increasing the languages available
 - h. Explore cost optimization strategies
3. Increase educational opportunities for spine deformity surgeons where there is limited access to training
 - b. Explore the use of technology to deliver more education
 4. Position Scoliosis Research Society as the primary provider of CME SPINAL DEFORMITY courses by various delivery methods
 - a. Explore use of technology to provide increased CME opportunities
 - c. Explore opportunities to partner with other organizations to provide CME

Goal 2: The Scoliosis Research Society will be a leading facilitator of spine deformity research

5. Conduct ongoing critical evaluation of the M&M process
 - a. Communicate changes in M&M strategy and implementation process to the membership on a regular basis

Goal 3: The Scoliosis Research Society will have a funding base large and diversified enough to ensure financial stability in funding education, research advocacy with sound fiscal operating policies.

4. Increase Societal funds from internal sources (member donors)
 - k. Increase opportunities for donations through other vehicles to SRS

Goal 4: Though its programs and services, the SRS will attract qualified individuals world wide to Fellowship and participation

2. Increase awareness of and opportunities for leadership level involvement by members world wide (should fall under leadership goal)

Goal 5: The Scoliosis Research Society will be recognized as the leading resource for information and public policy on spinal deformities.

1. Increase our effectiveness in advocating for optimal care of patients with spinal deformity
2. Increase awareness by the public and SRS member's patients and families about Scoliosis Research Society and Spinal Deformity
3. Increase key stakeholders recognition of SRS's expertise as a primary resource on issues related to Spinal Deformity
 - b. Educate Scoliosis Research Society members
 - c. Improve the website

WORLDWIDE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Standing Committee – 4 per year, with 4 year terms, plus Chairs of Education and Global Outreach Committees; Chair to serve a 4 year term, then 2 years as Past Chair; Chair Elect to serve a 2 year term.

Kamal N. Ibrahim, Chair	2010
Joseph H. Perra (Education)	2010
Peter F. Sturm (Global Outreach)	2010
Norbert Passuti	2010
Khalil Kharrat	2010
Carlos A. Tello.....	2010
John A I Ferguson (C)	2010
Wael Koptan (C).....	2010
Alpaslan Senkoylu (C).....	2010
Ahmet Alanay, Chair Elect.....	2011
William C. Horton	2011
Victor Rositto.....	2011
Charles E. Johnston II.....	2011
Christopher L. Hamill	2012
Suken A. Shah	2012
Ensor E. Transfeldt	2012
Muharrem Yazici	2012
Munish C. Gupta.....	2013
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Charges

1. Perform a needs assessment for these courses through correspondence with international active members and societies. Continuously upgrade criteria and guidelines for selecting sites for courses.
2. Work with the Long Range Planning Committee with regard to possible locations of these regional courses
3. Consult with the Education Council, who has overall responsibility for these courses
4. Develop individual budgets in conjunction with Tressa Goulding from the SRS office.
5. Propose a strategic plan for future courses, approximately two international courses per year, at least three years in advance, if possible.
6. Work with Global Outreach Committee to define guidelines for SRS coordinating with local organizations to deliver education
7. Work with Education, Program and IMAST committees to create additional value in SRS scientific programs for international and young surgeons, neurosurgeons, surgeons in training and allied health
8. Work with Education, Program and IMAST committees to enhance opportunities for groups listed above to participate in educational events

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2. Enhance the educational value of the annual and IMAST meeting
 - f. Facilitate attendance by international surgeons, young surgeons, neurosurgeons, surgeons in training and allied health and scientists
3. Increase educational opportunities for spine deformity surgeons where there is limited access to training
 - a. Explore the use of technology to deliver more education
 - b. Explore educational opportunities other than ANNUAL MEETING and IMAST for spine

deformity surgeons where there is limited access

Goal 4: Through its programs and services, the SRS will attract qualified individuals world wide to Fellowship and participation

2. Increase awareness of and opportunities for leadership level involvement by members world wide (should fall under leadership goal)

e. Identify the pool of potential Scoliosis Research Society non-North American candidates

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Charges

1. Develop a plan for recruiting at least one active member in each country that has shown interest either in attending meetings or writing for information from the SRS
2. Develop an international mentoring program. Work with the Fellowship Committee to organize this for new members.
3. Work with Endowment Committee to create a program to engage international members in donating to the research fund
4. Establish relationships with major spinal deformity organizations worldwide
5. Work with Fellowship Committee to work on recommendations of Globalization Think Tank team and continue planning for another Think Tank meeting at 2010 IMAST
6. Provide selection and overview of featured regions program at Annual Meeting
7. Work with the Education and Program Committee to create a database of international faculty for pool of speakers
8. Continue to monitor the diversity of new committee members through a check list. Regional chairs are encouraged to assist international members to apply for committees.

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 - e. Capitalize on opportunities presented by the new spine deformity online textbook
 - f. Explore what would be entailed in creating an international journal of spinal deformity (capture the gap between text book and journal and explore Wikipedia concept)

Goal 3: The Scoliosis Research Society will have a funding base large and diversified enough to ensure financial stability in funding education, research advocacy with sound fiscal operating policies.

1. Increase Societal funds from outside/external source
 - a. Develop a philanthropic program to encourage non-medical sources to contribute to the Scoliosis Research Society
 - b. Develop new programs to encourage medical industry contributions for both education and research support
 - c. Engage consultants for fund raising advice and execution
 - d. Develop a program to encourage donations from non-members

Goal 4: Though its programs and services, the SRS will attract qualified individuals world wide to Fellowship and participation

1. Increase the number of members world wide
 - c. Establish relationships with major Spinal Deformity organizations worldwide
2. Increase awareness of and opportunities for leadership level involvement by members world wide (should fall under leadership goal)
 - a. Identify the pool of potential Scoliosis Research Society non-North American candidates
3. Mentorship: Implement a world wide mentorship program (new)
 - a. Identify new members
 - b. Provide with **local** contacts

Goal 6: The leaders of the Scoliosis Research Society will operate in a manner consistent with its stature as the pre-eminent spinal deformity society.

3. Increase involvement of members from all regions of the world into Scoliosis Research Society leadership positions
 - a. Create a mechanism through personal contact or organizational relationships to attract members from all disciplines and regions to the Scoliosis Research Society
 - b. Implement a program to include international members on committees, committee chairs and board level positions