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Subject: Academy Liaison Update to ABoT 17 MAR 2020

By: Glenda Guest, ABOT Appointed Liaison to the Academy

Date: 05 Mar 2020

Summary:

Below is a summary of the Academy of Clinical Research 25 FEB 2020 WebEx meeting.

1. Financials were presented by Rachel Ritenour. While there were areas of concern discussed, such as adjustments to amortization for course development fees and courses, using existing data to better project Prometric expenses, etc. the financials were positive with modest gains for the year.
2. Giovanna Lancaster, Staff Liaison reported that NCAA Accreditation activities are on track. She also provided a certification update.
3. Given the costs involved and the low return on investment for the Medical Device Subspecialty certification, the Board debated slowing down on pushing through new subspecialties. There was a spirited discussion regarding ongoing descriptions of the medical device community as a niche sector of industry among other items considered.

There will be more work and cost involved in developing the Leadership subspecialty partly because there are no standards, such as GCP or ISO to use for reference. Surveys will need to be sent to help with development of the Detailed Content Outline (DCO). Ultimately the decision was made to stay the course and proceed with the next subspecialty in Leadership.

4. The Board discussed removing the current requirement for a CPI applicant to hold an MD/doctoral degree. Regulations do not stipulate this requirement. The Board agreed to remove this requirement.
5. This liaison's report to the Academy from our last ABoT meeting triggered a bit of emotion from one board member who was not aware that the Academy had discussed the possibility of moving the ACRP-CP certification to the primary certification and placing all other certifications, CPI, CCRC and CCRA under that umbrella. The reaction was due to a misunderstanding that the ABoT was considering this, when in fact it was just reported to the ABoT that the Academy had considered this. Nevertheless, following discussion it was clearly communicated that this idea was "tabled" at the face to face meeting.

The Academy is not considering this option at this time.



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6. Discussed status of Annual Meeting Recognition Ceremony, volunteers for script/participation.

Action Item: Ms. Guest to follow-up on status of PEC revisions to Discipline and Complaints policy and the Code of Ethics in order to ensure the Academy is provided an opportunity to review them.

Recommendation:

None

Fiscal note:

None