

1 **OSTEO-BLAST COMMITTEE POLICY COVER PAGE**
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4 **Members:** Two (2) committee members as well as the Section’s Executive Associate
5 who serves as the Section Liaison and Coordinator; the 2 committee members serve a 3-
6 year staggered term and are appointed by the Board of Directors.
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8 **Current Members and Term Limits:** Tara Fredrickson, Section Liaison and
9 Coordinator; James Spencer, 2007-2010; Tom McPoil 2007-2011.
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11 **Meetings:** Activities are conducted by correspondence, electronic communications, and
12 conference calls.
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14 **Purpose:** To formulate and develop, based on Section leadership input, a monthly 4 to 5
15 item blast email to all Section membership.
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17 **Tasks:**

- 18 1. Solicit blast email items from the Section Board of Directors, Committee Chairs,
19 SIG/EIG Chairs, and Section Staff, by the 15th of each month, except February.
20 2. Based on the items submitted, review, prioritize, and develop a 4 to 5-item blast email
21 every month, except February.
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23 **Work other than at meetings:** Approximately 2 to 3 hours each month in order to
24 review, select, and develop the blast email.
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26 **Qualifications:** All committee members shall be APTA and Orthopaedic Section
27 members. The committee shall be composed of the Section Associate Executive
28 Director, who will serve as Liaison and Coordinator, and three Section members
29 appointed by the Board of Directors.
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31 **Conflict of Interest:** A conflict of interest can arise when conditions or circumstances
32 preclude or interfere with the individual’s capacity to make an objective, detached
33 decisions required in any Web Blast Committee meeting. Conditions or circumstances
34 which may create a conflict of interest include but are limited to those cases in which a
35 committee member or the Chair: 1) has a personal, professional, or financial interest in,
36 or relationship with, the entity in question; *or* 2) has or is perceived as having, for any
37 reason, a preconceived bias for or against the entity in question. Web Blast Committee
38 members shall excuse themselves from committee participation in any case where a
39 conflict of interest arises, where a potential conflict of interest may arise, or where there
40 may be a perceived appearance of conflict.
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42 **Compensation Policy:** In the event that specific conditions or circumstances lead to a
43 significant financial strain on the Section’s Annual Budget the Section Board of
44 Directors, based on a recommendation from the Finance Committee, will direct the
45 Executive Director to discontinue all Stipends/Honorariums paid to Section members
46 until fiscal solvency is attained.