



Foot and Ankle SIG (FASIG) Report 2018 October Board of Directors Meeting

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SIG Members and Terms:

Christopher Neville, President	2016-2019 Re-elected 2019-2022
Jeff Houck, Vice President/Ed Chair	2017-2020
Eric Folmar, Nominating Chair	2016-2019

Update on SIG Activities since February 2018 Report:

President Update - The updates below are submitted to provide an overview of the work completed by the FASIG since the October 2018 Board report. The report of activities is organized using the FASIG strategic plan which was finalized in February 2018. The FASIG strategic plan was formulated to be consistent with the Academy of Orthopedic Physical Therapy strategic plan but directed at FASIG activities. Only pertinent activities for each of the major FASIG goals are included below. The FASIG strategic plan is also included for reference.

Goal 1: Research will ensure foot and ankle rehabilitation practice is current and evidence based.

- Strategic Goal 1.1.b: Attendance and collaboration with the American Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Society (AOFAS) is ongoing as they plan for the 2019 Summer meeting (September 2019; Chicago)
- Strategic Goal 1.3.b: Ongoing: disseminate literature summaries via the Facebook page
- Strategic Goal 1.2.a: A travel award for research training, skill acquisition, will be considered for 2019. The process and funding for this will be discussed at CSM 2019.

Goal 2: Develop and distribute resources that promote the optimal utilization of foot and ankle content in PT practice.

- A decision to engage FASIG in the development of a Foot and Ankle Fellowship occurred and the beginning stage planning has begun. A draft survey to be used for the development of the DFP has been completed and initial input will be gathered at CSM 2019. Further work on this effort including task force assignment and “next-steps” will be completed in the first quarter of 2019.

- Initiatives to begin drafting patient handouts and to work with existing and developing residency and fellowship opportunities in Foot and Ankle areas are a target for work during 2019. Specifically, 2.3.a – to develop practitioner and patient centered education material.

Goal 3: FASIG will support relationships to meet strategic objectives.

- Strategic Goal 3.1.b: giving out FASIG awards was approved at our membership meeting in February 2018 – Our first Lifetime Achievement Award will be given out at CSM 2019.
- Strategic Goal 3.1.c – Develop promotional *information decks* that can be used by schools/ APTA Chapters to disseminate FASIG activities and aims – slated to be considered in 2019.

Discussion Items for the Board:

NONE

Motions for the Board:

NONE