Principles of Organization
University of Florida OBGYN Alumni Society
Founded in 2010

Purpose: The University of Florida OBGYN Alumni Society shall support the exchange of scientific knowledge by creating networking opportunities for its members.

Membership: The Alumni Society is open to all graduates of the University of Florida Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology residency program, graduates of the University of Florida College of Medicine who pursued Obstetrics and Gynecology training at another academic institution, and all current and past department faculty. Honorary membership may be bestowed on friends of the Department as determined by the Society.

Voting:
1. A quorum shall consist of 30% of enrolled members.
2. Each member shall have one vote, including elected officers.
3. Voting shall be by simple majority at the annual meeting or by special balloting as called for by the President.

Officers: Officers shall consist of:
1. President
2. President-Elect
3. Secretary-Treasurer
   a. The University of Florida Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Chair shall serve as the Secretary-Treasurer.

Elections: The President will appoint a Nominating Committee who will propose a slate of officers for balloting at the annual meeting. Further, nominations will be taken from the floor at the annual meeting. The term of office shall be for one year, with the exception of the original President, who shall serve a two-year term. There shall be no limit to the number of terms one individual may serve.

Duties of the Officers:

1. President:
   a. The President shall preside at each annual meeting.
   b. The President shall appoint all committees for his/her term of office.
2. President-Elect:
   a. The President-Elect shall assume the duties of the President in his/her absence or such duties as the President may designate. Further, the President-Elect shall be elevated to the presidency at the next annual meeting.
3. Secretary-Treasurer:
   a. The Secretary-Treasurer will be charged with maintaining accurate minutes of the meetings, conducting correspondence of the Society when requested by the President and maintaining the financial records of the organization.

Annual Meeting: There is to be an annual meeting, the time and place to be decided by the President-Elect, with the exception that the original President will decide on the venue for the second (2011) and third (2012) annual meeting to allow sufficient time for contracting and planning. The President Elect will decide on the venue for the meeting scheduled for 2013.

Members must be current on their dues to participate in the annual meeting.

Dues: The original dues will be $150/annually or $1,000 for a lifetime membership. The membership will vote on the next year’s dues and any special assessments at the annual meeting. Dues will be deposited into a University of Florida Foundation (UFF) account and will be treated as a charitable donation. Should the Society cease to exist, any funds remaining in the account will be used to support Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology educational activities in accordance with UFF spending guidelines.

Meeting Registration Fees: These fees will be paid through the UF CME Office and will be used to support the annual meeting including but not limited to its CME activities. The amount of these fees will be decided by membership, but should be sufficient, along with the dues, to cover the expenses of the annual meeting and other operating expenses.