



OEIS Board of Directors Meeting Summary Notes
Saturday November 2, 2025
La Cantera Resort
San Augustine Meeting Room – San Antonio, TX

Members Present

Bob Tahara, MD	Sam Ahn, MD	Jerry Niedzwiecki, MD
Patrick Ryan, MD	Eric Dippel, MD	Rafael Malgor, MD
Chris Kwolek, MD	Stephen Daugherty, MD	Mike Watts, MD
Paul Varosy, MD	Brian Whyte, MD	

Staff

Julie Patterson	Jason Kotas	Lauren Jones
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I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson Dr. Tahara.

II. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

- Meeting summary notes from the April Board Meeting were approved.
- PAC money has started to be utilized – Couple Congressional Events.
- Dr. Whyte and Dr. Gorin have volunteered to join the PAC committee.

III. Office Update

- Membership is being cleaned up.
- 125 non-active members were removed from the system.
- 144 phone calls were made to expired members – about 80 voicemails.
- Possible ways to push membership
- OEIS be present at other meetings to push membership.
- Have a webinar to push membership.
- Sam will get a message to Dr. Frank and Dr, Rico to assist.
- Possible discount for OEIS members on supplies/software.
- Assist members with Insurance rates.
- New marketing program – working with an individual to put together promotional pieces.
- Create a Heat Map of OBL and ASC. Work with the research fellow.
- Website update is complete, working on new board discussion plug-in.



IV. Registry Update

- Auto Payment is up from 6 participants to 13.
- The primary focus now is cleaning up registry participants and dues.
- OEIS has applied for QCDR – will be pushback and MIPS submission is low, should OEIS move on after 2025.
- Syntax is being reviewed as the current software for the registry.

V. Advocacy Discussion

- Next year is looking to be a massive legislative year.
- The current Medicare providers act has had congressman Davis and Congressman Murphy sign on.
- An OBFA Virtual Hill call is coming up Nov 19th

VI. OIG Update Investigation

- A slide was shared that will be presented to CMS

VII. Old Business

- Walk up program app – Not many using this as the old fashion paper way is easier for the patients.

VIII. Certification

- A draft proposal was shared with the board – a few changes but mostly complete.
- Proposal will be shared with the committee to review; a meeting will be scheduled.

IX. Meeting Adjourned.