

# 2015-2016 AFDO FINAL COMMITTEE REPORT

## Alumni Committee

\*Chair: Dan Sowards, Retired

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**Charge 1:** Work with AFDO Staff in the development of the Burditt Luncheon to be presented at the Annual Conference.

**Discussion:** The Alumni Committee can assist with the development of the Burditt Luncheon including any discussion concerning its success and continuation. Alumni Committee Chair Sowards has met with or discussed the matter with AFDO Executive Director Joseph Corby and provided suggestions of potential content for the 2016 Burditt Luncheon.

**Recommendations:** It was recommended that Burditt Luncheon developers for 2016 consider focusing on Dr. Harvey Wiley and his impact on national food and drug legislation and the difficulties in advancing federal legislation. Burditt Luncheon developers have agreed to focus much of the program on Dr. Wiley. The Committee recommends the continuation of this Charge each year.

**Executive Committee Action:**

Approval  Disapproval  Date 6/24/16

**Charge 2:** Take charge of the solicitation of donations from Past Presidents to help fund certain functions during AFDO (spell out those functions).

**Discussion:** The Committee worked with the AFDO Office staff to canvas AFDO Past Presidents for funding to sponsor an AFDO event at the Annual Conference that is attended by First Time Attendees.

**Recommendations:** The solicitation resulted in a sponsorship contribution of \$2,100.00 from AFDO Past Presidents. The Committee recommends continuation of this Charge.

**Executive Committee Action:**

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**Charge 3:** Mentor new AFDO members, especially younger members, and make them welcome at AFDO and in the affiliates. This would involve "active" mentoring, not simply leading them around during AFDO and introducing them to other members.

**Discussion:** AFDO Alumni members serve as an excellent source for promoting AFDO and AFDO affiliates to new members.

**Recommendations:** The Committee recommends continuation of this Charge.

**Executive Committee Action:**

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**Charge 4:** Support the various Committees through active participation as “role models.”

**Discussion:** AFDO Alumni members will be encouraged to participate in AFDO Committees. During this year, seven former AFDO Presidents, who are Alumni Committee members, provided feedback to the AFDO Professional Development Committee on the successes of the Fellowship program.

**Recommendations:** The Committee recommends continuation of this Charge.

**Executive Committee Action:**

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**Charge 5:** Start a special “AFDO Archive” by giving oral thoughts and memories from the past. We dwell so much of the ancient history of AFDO that perhaps we ought to put the old history in perspective with more recent history (i.e. the 70s through the present). There is much we can each recall from our “AFDO” experiences.

**Discussion:** Alumni Committee members were canvassed for stories they could relate from the 70’s through the present. AFDO Office staff sought estimates for reproducing the George Burditt book entitled “AFDO the First 100 Years”. This has been completed and AFDO will sell the books at the Annual Conference.

**Recommendations:** The Committee believes this Charge has been completed.

**Executive Committee Action:**

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