ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR YOUNG ANATOMISTS (ACYA)

Scope
This committee serves to support AAA’s young anatomists. ACYA supports this role by: Acting as the primary evaluator and award granters of undergraduate, graduate, postdoctoral research and young faculty awards at the annual meeting, chairing and selecting participants for the ACYA sponsored session at the annual meeting and by fostering a network of young anatomy faculty to accomplish these tasks. This committee is primarily responsible for managing the Student/Postdoc and Young Faculty Awards program at the Annual Meeting.

Responsibilities
- Judging (pre-judging and onsite judging) and managing the Student/Postdoc and Young Faculty awards program the Annual Meeting.
- Members are required to attend the Annual Meeting and will receive complimentary registration, reimbursement for up to $750 of their travel expenses and a complimentary ticket to the Closing Awards Ceremony at the Annual Meeting.

Membership
The committee shall consist of 14-16 postdoctoral fellows or junior faculty. The chair serves on the Membership and Program Committees. In recruiting and appointing members, consideration will be given to diversity in scientific and educational research areas and geographic location. Committee members are not eligible to compete in or receive a Student/Postdoc or Young Faculty Travel Award.

Appointment
Following review of volunteer applicants from the AAA membership, the chair will make recommendations to the AAA leadership for filling vacancies on the committee and the Board of Directors approves the appointments. Members serve for 3 years; the chair serves for 2 years in this capacity. The term begins after the annual business meeting and continues through this meeting in the year of expiration.

Meetings
The committee shall hold conference calls as needed and meets daily during the Annual Meeting. The ACYA committee is responsible for reviewing and scoring about 100 -150 abstracts each at the end of Nov beginning of December during a 2 week time period.
Report
The committee submits reports to the Board at its spring and fall meetings as needed.

Qualifications and Application for Membership
- Be an AAA member in good standing.
- Provide a CV and brief synopsis of why you are interested in serving on this committee and how you might contribute to addressing its responsibilities.
- Additional information, such as a letter of reference, may be requested.

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