

SUBJECT: Improving Competitive Edge for Membership in the ACOFP and AOA  
SUBMITTED BY: Texas Society of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians  
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RESOLUTION NO. 7

- 1 WHEREAS, promoting and obtaining membership in the American College of Osteopathic  
2 Family Physicians (ACOFP) and American Osteopathic Association (AOA) is crucial to  
3 our continued political viability as a professional organization; and  
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5 WHEREAS, we are competing for membership with allopathic organizations for existing  
6 members and former members along with new members; and  
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8 WHEREAS, cost competition between various organizations is a huge challenge to the ACOFP  
9 and the AOA if our dues and fees are at a rate higher than other professional  
10 organizations; and  
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12 WHEREAS, the cost for annual membership, testing for certification, frequency of certification  
13 requirements, continuous certification modules, and convention expenses for continuing  
14 medical education are all factors (but not totally inclusive) in the total cost of  
15 membership; and  
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17 WHEREAS, there now exists significantly higher costs associated with osteopathic versus  
18 allopathic membership fees and dues; and  
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20 WHEREAS, the ACOFP wants to enhance and retain existing members and welcome new and  
21 former members by offering more cost competitive rates; now, therefore be it  
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23 RESOLVED, that the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians reviews all  
24 membership dues, fees, and duration of certification to become more cost competitive  
25 with allopathic organizations to help build and maintain membership.

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