

SUBJECT: Student Delegation in the ACOFP Congress of Delegates  
SUBMITTED BY: ACOFP Constitution & Bylaws/Policy & Organization Review Committee  
REFERRED TO: 2019 ACOFP Congress of Delegates

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RESOLUTION NO. 5

WHEREAS, 2018 ACOFP Congress of Delegates Resolution 12 directed the ACOFP Constitution & Bylaws Committee/Policy & Organization Review Committee to propose an amendment to create a Student Delegate position in the ACOFP Congress of Delegates, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Congress of Delegates of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFPP) adopts the following amendment as recommended and submitted by the ACOFP Constitution & Bylaws/Policy & Organization Review Committee. (Old material crossed out, new material capitalized.)

**CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC FAMILY PHYSICIANS, INC.**

**ARTICLE V - CONGRESS OF DELEGATES**

**Section 1. Composition**

A. The ACOFP Executive Director shall provide to the Secretary of each ACOFP affiliate society in writing the number of delegates to which that Society is entitled at least 60 days before the first day of the annual meeting of the Congress of Delegates.

(1) Each affiliate society shall be entitled to at least one voting delegate, who shall be a member in good standing, and shall be entitled to an additional voting delegate for every 25 members thereafter, or the majority fraction thereof, active members, plus one voting delegate from each approved undergraduate chapter located within the geographic boundaries served by the ACOFP affiliate society. **IN ADDITION, A SEPARATE STUDENT SOCIETY SHALL REPRESENT THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC FAMILY PHYSICIANS (STUDENT ASSOCIATION OF THE ACOFP) AND BE ENTITLED TO ONE VOTING DELEGATE AND ONE ALTERNATE DELEGATE APPOINTED ANNUALLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION OF THE ACOFP FROM WITHIN THE STUDENT RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE, WITH APPROVAL FROM THE NATIONAL STUDENT EXECUTIVE BOARD.**

**FINAL ACTION: REFERRED to ACOFP Constitution & Bylaws/Policy & Organization Review Committee**  
Explanatory Statement: The committee has recommended amended language to be sent back to the ACOFP Constitution & Bylaws/Policy and Organizational Review Committee as recommended by the Student Association of the ACOFP, the originator of the resolution. There are no financial means to guarantee that a Student Resolutions Committee member may be able to attend the ACOFP Congress of Delegates. Therefore, this would jeopardize the original intent of the resolution which is to guarantee direct student representation. We would recommend language that is nonrestrictive and allows the Student Association of the ACOFP and the National Student Executive board to directly appoint a delegate. We would recommend that the Student Association of the ACOFP determine their own policy on whether that delegate should come from the Student Resolutions Committee.