



MEMBERSHIP

Volunteer Leadership

Purpose: The purpose of the Membership Committee is to seek out new members and to retain existing members, as well as facilitate the process of welcoming new members and offering a forum of particular interest to dentists who have been practicing for less than 10 years. It allows the newer Dentist to form professional and social ties in a non-threatening environment and will hopefully encourage more participation in SFDS core programs. The committee will also work with the other committees to assist where needed in providing support on membership issues.

Primary Responsibilities:

- Work to minimize non-renewals or “drops” and to recruit new members.
- Promote valuable services and programs/events to the members and community
- Personally contact potential members; promote privileges, obligations, benefits and other related facts of membership in the Society
- Act as ambassadors, welcoming members
- Greet applicants and new members at general meetings
- With Board Members, serve as Leadership Table Hosts at in-person General Membership Meetings
- Promote attendance at regular and special meetings of the Society
- Identify member needs by conducting periodic member surveys
- The Chair provides periodic written reports on activities, statistics (gains & losses) and goals achieved
- Plan and host quarterly Networking (Social) events

Time Commitment/Meeting Schedule:

- Quarterly committee meetings are held virtually or at the Society’s Headquarters
- Attend Evening CE & GM meetings
- Quarterly Networking events
- SFDS hosted events
- Additional committee meetings as deemed necessary by the Membership Chair
- All committee meetings are scheduled in consultation with the Executive Director and entered on the Society’s Master Calendar.

Composition/Terms of Office: The committee is composed of at least seven (7) members. A chair, and six (6) members appointed by the President. The President, & SFDS Secretary do not count toward quorum, and serve as ex-officio voting members, and the Executive Director serves as non-voting member of the committee. *It is recommended that the chair of the committee be a Director* of the SFDS and will serve a 2-year term, renewable for a maximum of three (3) consecutive terms. The committee may have a vice-chair that will serve a two (2) year term, renewable for a maximum of three consecutive terms.

Qualifications/Skills: Members of this committee are outgoing, eager to promote organized dentistry, the Society specifically, and to serve as ambassadors for the profession.

Financial Management: The committee may request up to \$700 to send one committee member to ADA’s Annual New Dentist Conference, subject to approval by the Finance Committee and BOD during its normal budgeting cycle. Funds not used for this specific purpose are put back into the general operating budget. The committee’s budget includes a “student budget” item for up to \$500 donation annually to a deserving student graduating from each SF Dental School (UCSF and UOP); new member welcome materials, and student dinners for board and caucus attendance at the HOD.