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AMERICAN ACADEMY OF GOLD FOIL OPERATORS

Interim Board Meeting

February 19, 1997

WESTIN HOTEL — CHICAGO • REGENT III ROOM

Meeting was called to order at 1:08 PM by President Ted Ramage. Members present were Drs. Evans, Eichmiller, C. Bridgeman, Carlson, Cochran, Keene, Bruce Smith, Dick McCoy, Marty Anderson, and Ron Harris.

The agenda for the meeting was distributed to all present. Minutes of the Number 6, 1996 annual meeting were approved as published in the Gold Leaf in January.

Journal Report:

The agenda was changed to allow the report by the Journal editor and managing editor. Dick McCoy reported that things are going well with the Journal. Worthwhile manuscripts continue to be received. 73 were received in 1996 and 38 were accepted for publication. There were 70 more subscriptions than at the same time in 1995. 1800 issues were mailed, the highest since 1994. The symposium planned by Dr. Eichmiller on amalgam alternatives was not approved by NIDR, so will not be available this time. Operative Dentistry is now on-line. The address is: <http://weber.u.washington.edu/~opdent>.

Marty Anderson gave the financial report, which shows a profit for the year. The fund equity is very healthy. In the next few years, the terms of office of editor and managing editor will expire, so the membership is alerted to think about possible successors. It has been comfortable to have both in the same locale.

Treasurer's Report:

Assets — December 31, 1996		
CD	\$14,727.93	Matures 6/12/97
CD	25,000.00	Matures 11/13/97
Checking	23,981.09	
		\$63,709.02

Receipts — 1996	49,604.05
Expenditures — 1996	47,914.10
	\$ 1,689.95

Assets — January 1, 1996		
CD	14,727.93	
CD	25,000.00	
Checking	21,547.39	
		\$61,275.32

Difference in Assets 1996 + 2,433.70

Note: Expenses included the publication and distribution of Roster.

Dues + Journal Subscriptions	23,950.00
Journal Subscriptions Paid	11,755.00
Dues Received — 1996	12,195.00

Total members 305

Dues paying members 212

1996 Annual Meeting — San Antonio, Texas	
Expenses	24,890.78
Receipts	22,380.00
Net loss	(2,510.78)*

* This includes travel expenses, which were in budget.

Proposed Budget — 1997

Projected income	
Dues (212 members @ \$60)	\$12,720.00
Interest	2,400.00 (Will be higher with CD)
Annual meeting	24,000.00
Other (applications, pins, keys, etc.)	500.00
	\$39,620.00

Projected expenses	
Gold Leaf	\$4,500.00
Student awards	1,000.00
Annual meeting	24,000.00
Distinguished member	1,500.00
Chicago meeting	300.00
CDA and ADA Relief Fund	400.00
Travel/meeting expenses	2,000.00
Admin (postage, phone, printing, etc.)	2,000.00
Misc. (Pres. plaque, pins, etc.)	500.00
	\$36,200.00

Treasurer's report and Budget were accepted.

Correspondence:

A letter from Craig Charters with a contribution of \$400.00 from the Gold Institute. A note of thanks from Mark Ziemkowski for being made an honorary member. Application had been made for relief from the Texas sales tax, but it did not qualify. A note from Williams Gold regarding the increased cost of producing gold foil.

Plans for 1997 meeting:

Sept. 10-14, Vancouver, B.C. Ted has things very well in order. The hotel will be the Westin Bayshore and the clinical session will be on Friday morning. There will be an evening cruise with dinner for those interested. Fred reported that the program is fairly well lined up with some excellent speakers on various related subjects. This will be a "gold and white" program, with a combination of research and clinical topics on gold and resins. There will also be a presentation relative to third party payment plans. Craig is working on obtaining clinicians.

Amount of the fee for the meeting will probably be similar to that of 1996.

Future meetings:

1998 will be in Minneapolis in early October, with a possible two-day clinical session. Details are yet to be worked out, but the Radisson Hotel Metrodome will be the location for accommodations.

1999 is projected to be in Nashville, Tennessee at Meharry Dental College, probably in early October, if not in conflict with Tucker meeting.

2000 — no plan yet, but possibly Southern California.

Committees:

Note: there was some confusion on appointing committees, so this was done late.

Gold Leaf — Allan Osborn was not present

Ad hoc European Section — Australia doesn't seem to be a possibility in 1998.

Literature and Research — no report.

Nominating — Mike Cochrane agreed to chair the committee and meet with the other members.

Public Relations — Scott Barrett was not present, but has placed a notice of our upcoming meeting in the Canadian Dental Journal.

Education and Study Clubs — Warren Johnson was not present.

Necrology — Two members have become deceased since last report.

Outstanding Clinician — Not yet determined.

Distinguished Member — Harold Schnepfer's group has designated a recipient.

Constitution and Bylaws — Nothing new at this time.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion was held on the past proposal of a "memorial" lecture sponsored by Craig Charters' group. It was decided against, due to possible appearance of favoritism in designating a particular lecturer. A letter will be sent to Charters suggesting that the contribution will be used in sponsoring the clinical session, if that is favorable.

Critique forms at the clinical session were discussed. Response was lukewarm, but the forms will again be available.

The membership status was given. There are four new membership applications pending at this time.

New Business:

Bruce Smith showed a beautiful model of natural teeth in typodont form with numerous restorations of direct gold done by the late Dave Shooshan. He suggested it be used to develop a plaque to be awarded to the best clinician at the annual session, on a rotating basis. Fred suggested that the dental museum at Baltimore might be a good repository for such an item. A committee will be composed of Bruce, Fred and Bob Keene to come up with appropriate thoughts.

Ted asked that the University of B.C. be reinvented to submit the name of a student achiever.

A description of duties for upcoming officers would be helpful, and the Secretary will do this in the future. Also, an additional copy of bylaws is requested. Bob asked the whereabouts of the clinical manual that was done by his group.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald K. Harris D.D.S., M.S.D.
Secretary-Treasurer

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From The Desk of the President

As your President, I would like to invite you to the AAGFO annual meeting in "Spectacular by Nature" Vancouver, B.C. on September 10-13, 1997.

Your scientific committee chairman, Fred Eichmiller, has developed an excellent program consisting of the following speakers: Dr. Warren Johnson, Dr. Rick Hoard, Dr. Ferracane, Dr. Small, and Dr. Max Anderson.

The scientific program is scheduled for all day Thursday, September 11th, for members and guests. It continues on Saturday morning for members, guests, spouses, or accompanying guests.

The clinical session is being developed by Craig Bridgman with the local assistance of David Thorburn. The clinical session will be held at the University of British Columbia Dental School on Friday, September 12th in the morning.

The social program consists of a welcoming party on Wednesday, September 10th, in the Westin Bayshore Hotel. We have scheduled a cruise and dinner to enjoy Vancouver's spectacular harbor, leaving from the Bayshore Hotel on Friday evening, September 12th.

The annual banquet will be held at the Bayshore Hotel on the evening of Saturday, September 13th.

The Westin Bayshore Hotel has been chosen for its splendid harbor-side location.

Vancouver in early September is traditionally sunny and dry, with an average temperature of 65°F (18°C). Bring comfortable walking shoes and a light jacket as there is great walking adjacent to the hotel in Stanley Park. Vancouver's recently expanded airport now has direct flights from all over North America and Europe, which will make your access to our meeting more convenient.

We look forward to seeing you here in September.

Dr. Ted Ramage DDS, FICD, FACD

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF GOLD FOIL OPERATORS

Annual Meeting

WESTIN BAYSHORE HOTEL

Proposed schedule of events

Wednesday September 10th

2:00-7:00 pm	Registration	
2:00-5:00 pm	Board Meeting	Chairman Room
6:00-9:00 pm	Welcome Session	Trafalgar Room

Thursday September 11th

7:30-9:00 am	Breakfast Buffet/ Business Meeting	Marine Room
8:00-12:00 noon	Registration	Thompson Foyer
9:00-12:00 noon	Lectures	Thompson Room
12:30-1:30 pm	Lunch	Marine Room
2:00-4:30 pm	Lectures	Thompson Room
Evening	Dinner on your own	

Friday September 12th

6:30-7:30 am	Breakfast	Trafalgar Room
7:30, 7:45	Bus to U.B.C. Clinic	
12:00, 1:00	Bus to Westin	
Afternoon	free	
5:00-9:00 pm	Cruise and Dinner	Vancouver Harbor

Saturday September 13th

7:30-9:30 am	Breakfast/ Members and Spouses	Marine Room
9:00-12:00 noon	Lectures	Thompson Room
Afternoon	free	
6:00-7:00 pm	Reception	Stanley Park Room
7:00-11:30 pm	Dinner	Stanley Park Room

Dr. George A. Brass

DR. GEORGE BRASS passed away on Saturday 18th January 1997 at the age of 82. Born in Yorkton, Saskatchewan, the son of a well known and highly respected dentist, it was natural that George Brass would himself pursue the profession of Dentistry, and his was a truly illustrious career. All of us were fortunate to have been the recipients of his wisdom, his dedication, and above all, his enthusiasm for his chosen profession where he shone as an outstanding example of the true professional. It was at the time of entering university that a career as a professional hockey player beckoned, for no less a team than the Detroit Red Wings were anxious to sign George to a full contract.

George Brass graduated from Northwestern University Dental School in Chicago in 1939 and upon returning to Canada, joined the Canadian Dental Corps, with which he saw service in Great Britain, Western Europe, the Mediterranean, and Italy. Later he would be a member of a delegation sent over by the Canadian Government to Italy to honour the fallen, in ceremonies throughout Italy. Demobilised in 1946, with rank of Major, George returned to Northwestern University Dental School to graduate study with special emphasis upon cast gold restorations.



George with his "trademark" towel during the two week Ferrier Course.

From the time he completed his graduate studies and until 1958, George Brass taught restorative dentistry at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Alberta. When the new faculty was established in Manitoba in 1958, George was invited by Dean Nielson to Chair the new Department of Restorative Dentistry. He gave a rich course of study which, with its accent upon gold, enabled his students to graduate with fine clinical skills, and a solid grasp of the basic principles so important to everyday practice. To the student he was always known affectionately as "The Boomer" on account of his powerful and penetrating voice. Following his retirement in 1979, the University conferred the title of Professor Emeritus; Dr. Clifford Miller, Associate Dean of Northwestern University Dental School travelling to Winnipeg to deliver the keynote address.

George Brass was a Life Member of the American Academy of Gold Foil Operators, and it could be said that gold foil was



George with his long-time assistant Trudy, placing foil for "The Dean".

his first love in dentistry. He extolled the virtues of G.V. Black and was proud to have been a part of the school from which the great man had originated his work. In 1972, with the formation of the Winnipeg Ferrier Society taking place on the very day when Canada defeated Russia in that great hockey series, George was a man transported. Throughout the 20 years of the existence of the study club, only the occasional illness prevented his attendance. A charter Member of the Operative Academy, George anticipated the annual journey with considerable pleasure. He both lectured and gave table clinics at these meetings, enjoying the scientific and social aspects of the meetings equally. He was awarded the Thos Hinman Bronze Medal. In Canada, George Brass was one of the founding fathers of the Canadian Academy of Restorative Dentistry, and was later made an Honorary member of that organization. He was also President of the Canadian Section of the International College of Dentists, a member of the Royal College of Dentists, life member of the Canadian Dental Association and the first Honorary Member of the Manitoba Dental Association.

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George Brass with fellow members of the Winnipeg Ferrier Society.

Dr. George A. Brass – *continued.*

George was proud of his Scottish ancestry and would, on occasion, turn out in full regalia to the annual dinner meeting of the Winnipeg Ferrier Society. He was a member of The Burns Society in Winnipeg, avowing a healthy suspicion of all Sassenachs. He knew a great deal of Robbie Burns' poetry by heart, and took particular pleasure in narrating the "Ode to a

Haggis" prior to slaying the "wee beastie". His was a life full of achievement, of helping others, of leading by example... we are privileged to have been counted amongst his friends.

Dr. Allan Osborn

EDITOR

ASSOCIATED FERRIER STUDY CLUBS

Annual Meeting

Ferrier Luncheon



New Board for Associated Ferrier Study Clubs.





President Bob Murray exhorts the troops.



Dr. Bruce Smith presents Dr. Robert Murray with the Past President's Gavel.



Dr. Ted Ramage encourages all to come to A.A.G.F.O.



Dr. Ramage with Editor Dr. Allan Osborn.



Trap shooting and golf have once again become a part of the Annual Ferrier Meeting.

Clinic Session





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Agenda

Wednesday, September 10

2:00 pm	Registration, Thompson Foyer
2-5:00 pm	Board Meeting, Boardroom
6-9:00 pm	Socializing in the Trafalgar Room. Cash bar

Thursday, September 11

7:30–8:30 am	Breakfast for <i>members and professional guests</i> (spouses sleep in)
8:00 am	Registration, Thompson Foyer
8:30–10:00 am	Lecture, Dr. Richard Hoard, “An In-depth Look at Gold Casting”

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Annual Meeting September 10-14, 1997

Agenda

Thursday, September 11 – continued.

9:15 am Motor Coach Pickup for Spouses' Tour
10:15–11:45 am Lecture, Dr. Warren Johnson, "The Key Elements Necessary for a Successful Conservative Gold Restoration"
12:30–1:30 pm Lunch for Attendees and Professional Guests, Marine Room
1:30–3:00 pm Lecture, Dr. Jack Ferracane, "Research Developments in Dental Composites"
3:15–4:45 pm Lecture, Dr. Bruce Small, "Direct and Indirect Composites: A Clinical Overview"

Friday, September 12

6:30–7:30 am Breakfast buffet for *members, spouses, and guests*
7:15 am Buses depart for UBC Dental Clinic
Noon Buses return to Hotel
12:30–1:30 Lucheon buffet for attendees *and* spouses. Outstanding Clinician Award presentation
6:00–10:00 pm Dinner cruise on Vancouver Inner Harbor and False Creek. *This is an optional thing at the low cost of \$40 per person. The rest of the cost will be subsidized by the Academy.*

Saturday, September 13

7:00–8:30 am Breakfast Buffer for *members, spouses, and guests*
8:15 am Business meeting for membership
8:30–11:00 am Lecture, Dr. Max Anderson, "An Inside View of Third Party Systems"
11:00 am Essay, Dr. Daryl Farley, "Slide Review of Clinical Procedures"
Noon Lunch on your own. The afternoon is free
6:00 pm Social hour
7:00 pm Banquet. Distinguished Member Award. Installation of officers

Officers' Slate for the Ensuing Year:

President	Frederick C. Eichmiller
President-Elect	R. Craig Bridgeman
Vice President	Timothy J. Carlson
Secretary-Treasurer	Ronald K. Harris
Councilor 1998	Richard D. Tucker
Councilor 1999	Robert C. Keene
Councilor 2000	Warren K. Johnson

PLEASE NOTE: It is always difficult to make last minute arrangements to accommodate members who suddenly appear at a meeting without having made advance reservations. Hotel reservations **must** be received by the Westin **no later than** August 10. If you wait until arriving at Vancouver, you will be taking a chance on accommodations.

In the case of our foreign members: if you plan to attend but have a problem paying in U.S. currency, you may return the reservation form below, indicating your preferences and then pay the fees at the meeting.

*Spouses and non-professional guests are invited to take part in an all day tour Thursday, while members are in lecture sessions. It is a combination rail and motor coach trip to see Spectacular Shannon Falls with lunch at Squamish and a tour of the Railway Museum, at a separate cost of \$60 US. It will depart at 9:15 am and return at about 4:30 pm.

Reservation Forms should be returned directly to the Westin Bayshore Hotel.

Please indicate on the lower portion if you would be interested in operating next year in Minneapolis. There will be a two day session of foils and castings.

please detach and return no later than August 10, 1997

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF GOLD FOIL OPERATORS Annual Meeting September 10–14, 1997

Name _____ (please type or print)

Spouse's name (if attending) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ (or country)

Telephone (including area code) Home (____) _____ Office (____) _____

Registration fee: (US dollars please)

Member @ \$250

Professional guest @ \$275

Spouse or other guest @ \$100 each

Spouses' Tour and Luncheon, Thursday @ \$60 each

Plus: Friday evening dinner cruise @ \$40 each

Number

\$ Totals

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Total enclosed _____

Return with check payable to AAGFO to: 17922 Tallgrass Court, Noblesville, IN 46060

I would like to operate next year _____ casting _____ foil _____