

AANS Medical School Chapter at
The Ohio State University College of Medicine

BYLAWS

Article I – Name

The name of this organization shall be AANS Chapter at The Ohio State University College of Medicine (OSUCOM). The colloquial name for this organization shall be Neurosurgery Interest Group (NSIG).

Article II – Purpose

The purpose of our organization shall be to foster professional growth and career development of members of The Ohio State University College of Medicine (OSUCOM) who are interested in the field of neurological surgery.

Article III – Compliance Cause

We agree to abide by all regulations, all University policies, in addition to all federal, state, and local laws.

Article IV – Non-Discrimination

This organization shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, sex, protected veteran status, or any other basis in accordance with Student Organization Registration and Funding Guidelines.

Article V – Membership

Membership shall be open to any currently enrolled student at OSUCOM.

Article VI – Election of Officers

- A. The following officers shall be elected on a yearly basis: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer
- B. An election shall be scheduled in August of each year to elect new officers by majority vote. Incumbent officers shall have the option to run for re-election.
- C. Officers must be in good academic standing.
- D. Two-thirds of the active members must be present at the time of voting.
- E. Newly elected officers should assume office immediately following the meeting in which they are elected.

Article VII – Executive Board

- A. All elected officers shall serve on the Executive Board.
- B. All elected officers will be responsible for positively and professionally representing the Chapter using appropriate media.

- C. The duties of each officer shall be:
- a. *President* – to preside over meetings and to serve as the official liaison between the Department of Neurosurgery and the students. In addition, the president will plan meetings that focus on direct interaction with faculty, fellows, residents, etc. from Neurosurgery and its various subspecialties. The president will also serve as the official facilitator of any event hosted by the Chapter. The president will facilitate creation and submission of the “Annual Chapter Activity Report” in conjunction with the secretary.
 - b. *Vice President* – to assume the duties of president in his/her/their absence. In addition, the vice president will supervise and organize Journal Club meetings.
 - c. *Secretary* – to record and archive meeting minutes. The secretary will be responsible for the creation and submission of the “Annual Chapter Activity Report”.
 - d. *Treasurer* – to keep track of all financial transactions and attend relevant training sessions/meetings.

Article VIII – Removal of Officers

- A. Any member may make a motion for the removal of any officer providing that evidence is presented to support the removal. Grounds for removal include the inadequate fulfillment of duties or the violation of regulations described in University policies, or any federal, state, or local laws.
- B. A two-thirds vote by the membership is needed to remove an officer.
- C. Two-thirds of the active members must be present at the time of voting. An election for a new officer should be conducted at the next scheduled business meeting.

Article IX – Advisor

- A. The Executive Board shall nominate one faculty or staff member (at least 75% full-time equivalent) to serve as advisor.
- B. The active membership shall vote on accepting the advisor with a simple majority needed for acceptance.
- C. Two-thirds of the active members must be present at the time of voting.

Article X – Amendments to the Constitution

- A. Any member of the organization may present amendments to the Constitution at any regularly scheduled business meeting. After reading the current Constitution along with the proposed change, the change will be cast to a vote. A four-fifths majority is necessary to pass the amendment. Two-thirds of the active membership must be present at the time of voting.
- B. Amendments to the Constitution must be submitted to and approved by the Coordinator for Student Organizations before they become effective.

Article XI - Member Removal

- A. Any member may make a motion for the removal of any member providing that evidence is presented to support the removal. Grounds for removal include violation of regulations described in University policies, or any federal, state, or local laws.
- B. A two-thirds vote by the membership is needed to remove a member. Two-thirds of the active members must be present at the time of voting.