

Oregon Society Medical Assistants
2020 General Assembly
Report of OSMA Delegate Garibay
For Period Ending April 17, 2020

This delegate was elected at the 2019 OSMA General Assembly to represent the Oregon Society at the 2019 AAMA Annual Conference in Greensboro, North Carolina. The delegate arrived in Greensboro late Thursday, September 13 and remained through Monday, September 16, 2019. She attended the AAMA Board of Trustees meeting on Friday morning, the Welcome and Awards event Friday evening, the House of Delegates (HOD) Delegate Orientation and State Leaders meeting on Saturday, both sessions of the HOD, the Publishers Showcase, Reference Committee and Open Forum on Sunday, the Presidents Luncheon on Monday, and continuing education sessions in between the meetings required of a delegate. This delegate also participated in networking with leaders from multiple states throughout the duration of the Conference.

This delegate was assigned to report specifically on the Reference Committee meeting which was held on Sunday afternoon, September 15, 2019. At this session, a committee of six AAMA members, assigned by the Speaker of the House, hears comments and concerns from the membership, regarding the annual reports that have been filed by the AAMA Officers and Trustees, the Chief Executive Officer and Legal Counsel, the various committees, strategy teams, and task forces of the AAMA, and the Certifying Board, the Continuing Education Board, and the Judicial Council, as well as any proposed bylaws amendments and resolutions. After the hearing, the Reference Committee convenes in Executive Session to consider the comments from the members and reports back during the Second Session of the HOD with recommendations to approve or deny each report. Approximately 130 members were present at the 1:00 pm open session. Comments were brief and the entire hearing lasted less than 30 minutes.

Immediately following the Reference Committee hearing, the Certifying Board held an Open Forum on the matter of the three-year pilot program, which opens a new education pathway for medical assistants to become eligible to sit for the CMA (AAMA)[®] Certification Exam. This Forum drew many comments and concerns from members and the session lasted several hours.

During the second session of the HOD, the Reference Committee submitted a written report with motions to accept all of the reports of the Officers, Trustees, Chief Executive Officer and Legal Counsel, the following Committees: Awards, Bylaws and Resolutions, Bylaws and Resolutions Addendum, Editorial Advisory, House of Delegates Minutes, Nominating, Social Media, and Strategic Issues Planning, and the following Strategy Teams: Leadership Development, Marketing, and Membership Development. Additionally, the Reference Committee recommended that the report of the Partnership Task Force be accepted, as corrected, and filed for future reference. The Reference Committee moved to accept and file for future reference the reports of the Certifying

46 Board, Continuing Education Board, and the Judicial Council. All of the motions were
47 passed by the voting body of the AAMA House of Delegates.

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49 It has been a privilege to serve the OSMA as a Delegate to the 2019 AAMA Conference
50 and this delegate thanks the members of OSMA for selecting her to be a member of the
51 Oregon Society delegation.

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