Nominating Committee Candidate Announcement

The SOCCA Nominating Committee will present the following slate of candidates to the SOCCA membership during the Society’s Annual Membership Business Meeting on Friday, March 20, 2015, 5:00 – 5:45 pm, at the SOCCA 28th Annual Meeting and Critical Care Update at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Resort, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Electronic voting will be available beginning Thursday, March 19 and will end on Friday, March 20 at 5:20 pm Hawaiian time. Elected Directors will be announced at the end of the Business Meeting, at 5:45 pm. Information regarding the electronic voting will be emailed to members prior to the Annual Meeting.

SOCCA members will vote to elect two (2) Board of Directors (for a 3-year term). The terms will begin March 2015.

Board of Directors: Laureen L. Hill, M.D., M.B.A.
                   Mark E. Nunnally, M.D., FCCM

Candidate for Board of Directors: Laureen L. Hill, M.D., M.B.A.

Dr. Hill is Professor and Chair of Anesthesiology at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia where in addition to her administrative duties she continues a busy clinical practice in preoperative medicine, intraoperative anesthesiology and critical care medicine. She is a strong advocate for anesthesiologists as the ultimate peri-operative physicians and she is an ardent proponent of multidisciplinary critical care. Dr. Hill has been a longstanding member of SOCCA serving on the education committee, contributing as a mentor for the resident section at the annual meeting and previously working as program co-chair of the annual meeting for three consecutive years. She was elected to the Board of Directors and is completing a three year term.
Dr. Hill acknowledges the many pressures we face including increasing clinical care demands, inadequate workforce, organizational and professional reimbursement pressures and changing practice models for critical care services. She strongly believes our future relevance and success as anesthesiologist intensivists depends on our ability to effectively demonstrate our value across the care continuum, embrace evolving information technologies to standardize and manage the care environment, train our physicians to excel as leaders of team-based care in and out of the operating room and invest significantly in innovation and discovery.

Dr. Hill would be privileged to serve this Society and its membership and is seeking re-election for a seat on the Board of Directors.

Candidate for Board of Directors:
Mark E. Nunnally, M.D., FCCM

Dr. Nunnally received his undergraduate degree in Spanish and his M.D. at the University of Washington. He completed his residency at the University of Chicago, where he was a chief resident. His fellowship in Critical Care Medicine was at the University of Pennsylvania. He returned to join the faculty at the University of Chicago, where he is currently an Associate Professor. He divides his clinical time between the operating rooms and the intensive care unit.

Dr. Nunnally’s academic interests are divided between teaching and research. His involvement in resident education includes directing the departmental journal club, lecturing on a variety of ICU and OR related topics, and regular clinical teaching activities. He is the critical care fellowship program director for his department. Dr. Nunnally’s research interests concern the role of technology in patient safety. His work to date has focused on infusion devices, delivery systems, incident reporting, and most recently medication reconciliation. He is a consultant in GRADE methodology for rating evidence and translating it into recommendations.

Dr. Nunnally’s leadership experience includes membership on multiple committees, including the evidence methodology group for the Surviving Sepsis Campaign, chairman of the American Society of Anesthesiologists’ Committee on Critical Care Medicine. He has served the last three years as a director for SOCCA, and hopes to continue to serve the society in this role. He sees the current environment a ripe one for anesthesiology intensivists, believing in the value of critical care. Anesthesiology practices, hospitals and those who finance them can see value here more than ever before. Critical care can be the centerpiece of anesthesiology training. Opportunities to discover new knowledge abound in the ICU environment.
In addition, Dr. Nunnally is an oral examiner for the American Board of Anesthesiology. Outside of work, his interests include international travel, baseball, architecture and urban design, jazz music, and cooking. He is a beer and wine enthusiast and a would-be gourmand. He is passionate about the role of Anesthesiologists in critical care medicine and interested in continuing to build interest in the subspecialty.