SECTION 15. The Duties of the National Osteopathic Medical Student Society of the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists (NSS-ACOOG).

(a) The mission of the NSS-ACOOG is to:

- Familiarize and educate osteopathic medical students about the mission, vision, and core values of the ACOOG
- Provide opportunities for fellowship among osteopathic medical students interested in osteopathic obstetrics and gynecology
- Educate osteopathic medical students of opportunities for postgraduate education and research in the field of women’s health
- Foster communication between the ACOOG and sanctioned osteopathic ob/gyn medical student interest groups at accredited Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine.

(b) This society shall serve as a functionary of the ACOOG and this society and all of its functions shall be subject at all times to change, alteration, modification and abolition by action of the Board of Trustees of the ACOOG. This society shall have no authority or power to obligate the ACOOG financially or to act as an agent of the ACOOG, except pursuant to specific authority granted by the ACOOG.

(c) Members of this committee shall be appointed by the President of the ACOOG from student members of the ACOOG who have been nominated by the locally sanctioned student ob/gyn interest group (SOBIG). Each campus is allowed one voting delegate and one alternate delegate. This committee shall meet at least annually at the time of the fall conference of the ACOOG.

(d) The NSS-ACOOG officers shall consist of a president, vice president and secretary. They shall serve for a period of one year and are elected at the fall conference of ACOOG. Nominations shall be open 90 days prior to the NSS-ACOOG membership meeting and a slate of nominees shall be published to the student membership 30 days in advance of the meeting. One candidate from each campus may be nominated for office. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all meetings of the society; to perform all duties usually pertaining to such office; to appoint ad hoc committees with approval of the governing officers; to appoint officers to fill all vacancies; and said officers to hold office for the unexpired term thereof or until their successors are elected by the general membership.

The vice president shall preside in the absence of, or at, the request of the president. In case of permanent vacancy in the office of president, the vice president shall assume the powers and duties of that office for the unexpired term.

The secretary shall keep accurate records of the meetings of the society and shall cooperate with the other officers in their respective duties. If agreed upon, the society may call upon the ACOOG executive office to handle the above.

(e) The officers shall be vested with the authority to cooperate with the AOA and with the ACOOG and to act as local officers and agents thereof, provided always that, except as to specific authority granted by the AOA or ACOOG, no member or officer of this society shall have authority in way to represent or bind the ACOOG or AOA in any manner whatsoever.

(f) Only seated delegates have the privilege of voting at the regular and special meetings of the NSS-ACOOG. If an alternate is seated as the official campus representative, this must be acknowledged by the presiding officer.

(G) A regular or senior member of ACOOG shall be appointed as NSS-ACOOG advisor by the ACOOG President.