RE: 2022 CAPA Election

December 19, 2021

Dear CAPA Members:

Thank you very much for your nomination. The CAPA Election Committee is pleased to announce one (1) qualified candidate for President of the year 2022-2023.

Per CAPA bylaws, the election of CAPA President will be conducted by the current BOD at the same time as the election of BOD, and the results will be announced by the BOD when available.

Thank you in advance for your participation in the 2022 CAPA election.

CAPA Election Committee

List of candidate for President:

Xiuli Liu, MD, PhD (刘秀丽)

I graduated from Beijing Medical University in 1990. With a dream of becoming a practicing physician, I came to the United States in 1995. I took a career path common to many of you, attending a graduate school (University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) in Little Rock), taking USMLEs (taking Step 1 in 1996 and finishing Step 3 in 2002), entering a pathology residency program (University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), 2003-2007) and finishing a GI/liver pathology fellowship at UAB, 2005-2006). I worked at Cleveland Clinic Foundation (CCF) from 2007-2015, then at University of Florida (UF) from 2016-2021. Currently I am a Professor of Pathology at Washington University at St. Louis and practice GI and HPB pathology as the service and the fellowship directors.
I have a genuine passion for pathology in its all aspects: diagnosis, education, and research. The high volume of GI and liver cases at CCF gave me plenty opportunity to hone my diagnostic skills with development of nationally known expertise in GI and Liver pathology. The building-up the GI/liver pathology team at UF as a director presented me with plenty of opportunities to think beyond and above myself. The transition to Washington University, similarly, gives me new opportunities to reflect on many issues on career development of a good pathologist, from the recruitment, residency and fellowship training, continuing education, to balancing work and personal life through our career. This also gives me opportunity to see myself to be part of a large picture, the modern medicine in a mega health system.

I have mentored many residents and fellows directly or indirectly, either through formal teaching and informal advising. I truly enjoyed these interactions, I saw the passion, curiosity, and potential in them and am willing to help them reach the level higher than I achieved, preferably in an organized and more effectively way.

I have published about 200 research and review papers in peer reviewed journals including AJSP, Modern Pathology, and IBD journal. I co-edited three books, respectively on inflammatory bowel disease, medical liver biopsy, and liver tumor biopsy. I found these academic efforts were very fulfilling and uniquely defined me, like many of us.

CAPA played an essential role in my career development and maturation. It holds a special place in my heart: it boosted my confidence, it gave me many speaker opportunities, and most importantly, it is a supporting system and self-sustaining society where we benefit by engaging, contributing, and serving. I joined CAPA 15 years ago and have become more involved in CAPA activities in recent years, first as speakers, then as EC member (2019&2021), BOD (2020) member, and the Chair of Award Committee (2018&2019). I sincerely ask you for an opportunity of serving you as CAPA President in the year of 2022. Thank you very much!