Resolution to the IAFP All Member Assembly Task Force to Study Change to Annual Business Meeting Submitted by the IAFP Board of Directors

WHEREAS, IAFP started in 1947 and soon after formed a Congress of Delegates, which provided geographical representation for members in a House of Representatives style of governance. Around 1990, the number of geographical chapters was reduced from more than 50 to about 30. In 2004, the Congress of Delegates was dissolved and the current All Member Assembly was established in its place; and

WHEREAS, discussions during the change to the All Member Assembly included a possible change to an annual business meeting. The sentiment was that an annual business meeting may be the most efficient way to run the Academy's policy-making. However, a move to an annual business meeting might send a message that members' direct input into the Academy was not wanted. There was a sense that the All Member Assembly may be an interim step, and

WHEREAS, the 2015 All Member Assembly is the 11th All Member Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the All Member Assembly is described in Chapter 7 and 8 of the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians bylaws, and

WHEREAS, attendance at the last six All Member Assemblies has been as follows:

Actual number of members followed by number minus estimated 18 board members in attendance at each Assembly

- 2014 53 (35) Gurnee 2013 62 (44) Naperville
- 2012 37 (19) Itasca
- 2011 51 (32) Oak Brook
- 2010 32 (14) St. Louis
- 2009 40 (22) Oak Brook

WHEREAS, the attached report provides a preliminary list of the pros and cons of moving from an All Member Assembly to an annual business meeting, and

WHEREAS, the 2015 All Member Assembly provides a forum to gather advice, suggestions, opinions and information therefore be it

RESOLVED, that IAFP form a Task Force to investigate the possible change from the All Member Assembly format to an annual business meeting, including the following

- 1. The 2016 Bylaws Task Force supervises a survey of members about move to annual business meeting. Staff will gather information from other AAFP chapters that have moved to annual business meeting format and from association management community about formats for annual business meeting.
- 2. Discussion at February/March 2016 board meeting about findings to date and at May 2016 board
- 3. Report back to 2016 All Member Assembly with possible resolution to change to annual business meeting.