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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS – 2018 WILLIAM A. MCADAMS OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

William Rhodes, ABHP Vice-Chair

The American Board of Health Physics (ABHP) is soliciting nominations for this year's William A. McAdams Outstanding Service Award. This award is presented annually by the Academy and Board to honor a certified health physicist who has made a significant contribution toward the advancement of professionalism in health physics and to the certification process. Nominees shall be CHPs who have served the health physics community through distinguished service with the AAHP or ABHP in teaching or in other areas that enhance the professionalism of health physics. This award may be bestowed posthumously. Any member of the AAHP may submit a nomination. Nominations should be received by 02 March 2018 to be considered. wgrhode@sandia.gov

THE EFFORTS OF THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Balwan Hooda, Chair, Professional Development Committee

The Professional Development Committee's (PDC's) role is to encourage personnel to prepare for and take advantage of the certification process for personal growth, recognition and professional development.

The committee's plans are to "get the message out" during Annual and Mid-Year Meetings by managing an exhibition booth. We also employ electronic media and print media to inform radiation safety personnel about the opportunities available to them.

The PDC members are: Dennis Clum, Jim Herrold, Jeff Kotsch, Scottie Walker and Allison Wilding.

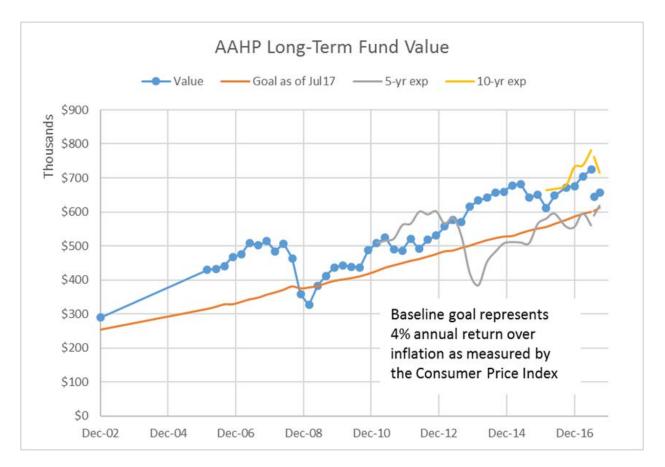
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Scott Schwahn, Treasurer

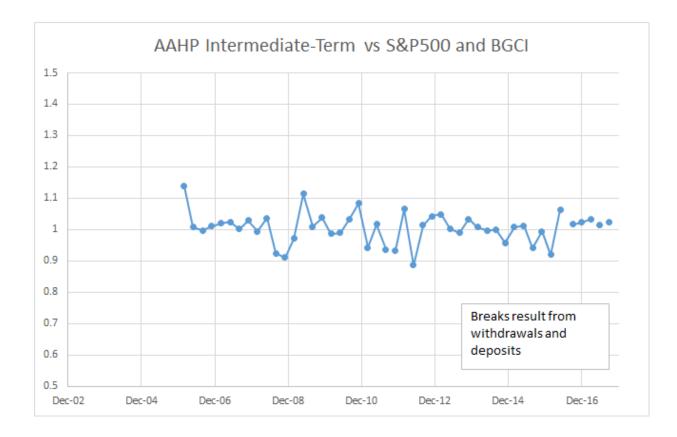
In addition to chairing the Finance Committee (who establishes the annual budget), the Treasurer is charged chiefly with tracking investment performance to ensure that the Academy can meet its short-term obligations and its long-term goals.

The goal for our long-term investments is to beat the Consumer Price Index by 4%. Performance for our intermediate-term investments is measured against two different financial indices; the S&P 500 and a private bond index. The overarching focus of each portfolio is to favor security of the investments over possible losses. The performance of our paid Investment Manager (Wells Fargo) is graded against these performance goals.

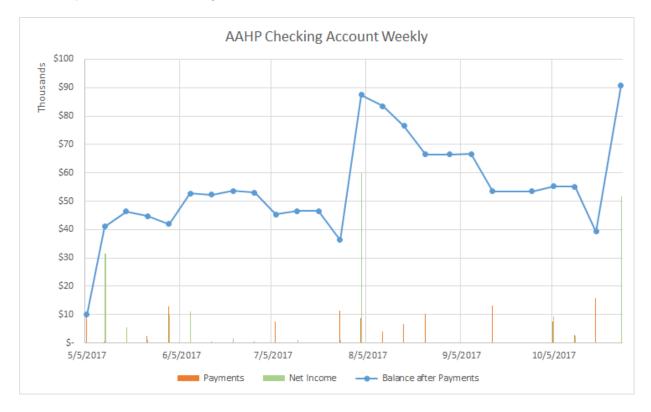
The value of the long-term fund below as a series of blue dots. The orange line shows our "4% above CPI" goal. The fund fell below the goal for a short period due to the housing market crash in the summer of 2008. The fund is performing as desired, with positive trends.



The procedure for assessing the performance of the intermediate-term fund is a bit more convoluted. The short interpretation is that a value greater than 1.0 is good, and less than 1.0 is bad. So the fund is performing well.



And finally, the AAHP checking account.



Our goal is to keep the balance near \$110,000, which is why the Executive Committee approved a first-ever transfer from the long-term investment account this summer. When combined with your maintenance fees and exam fees, the transfer should bring us back to a healthy operating level.

And (as a reminder) your maintenance fees statements should have arrived about a month ago, so please get those fees in as soon as you can manage.

If you have any AAHP financial questions, please let me know.