



**American Brain Foundation  
Governance Committee Meeting  
September 21, 2020  
9:00 a.m. CT  
Video Conference Call**

**In attendance:** Kevin Goodno, Chair; Susan Schneider Williams, BFA; Frances Jensen, MD  
**Staff:** Jane Ransom, ED; Kim Howard

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The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. CT by Mr. Kevin Goodno, Chair.

The minutes of August 17, 2020 were approved unanimously.

**New 2021 Vacancies and Recruitment Plan (Kevin Goodno)**

- Sharon Klein will not renew for a 2<sup>nd</sup> term due to time commitment issues leaving a public opening to fill on 1/1/2021.
- Dr. Joe Sirven's term will end early on 4/30/2021 leaving a neurologist opening to fill on 5/1/2021. Dr. Sirven will Chair the AAN Education Committee starting on 5/1/2021. This position puts him on the AAN Board and he can't remain on the ABF Board per our agreement.

The Committee selected the public and neurologist candidates listed below to approach and discuss the possibility of joining the ABF board over the next year or two. Jane Ransom will work with the board members shown below in in parentheses to strategize and move forward with these approaches.

**Public Candidate List**

- JoAnne Berger Sweeney (Dr. Frances Jensen)
- Sanjay Gupta (Dr. Ron Peterson)
- Mayim Bialik (David Eagleman)
- Susan Sarofim (Susan Williams) \*probably not until 1/1/2022
- Dr. Keith Black (Dr. David Dodick) \*Dr. Black could be on either list  
\*if the candidate is not an AAN member they would be considered a public member

**Neurologist Candidate List**

- Dr. Merit Cudkowicz (Dr. Robert Griggs)
- Dr. John Morris (Dr. Robert Griggs)

Most urgently we need to focus on replacing Sharon Klein for her opening on 1/1/2021. We should be reaching out to all the candidates on these lists for the openings we have coming up for 1/1/2021 (1 public opening), 5/1/2021 (1 neuro opening) & 1/1/2022 (3 public openings). Jane will work on connecting the board members that have these existing relationships with these candidates to get these conversations started.

**Meeting Adjourned: 9:41 a.m. CT**