

FJMCAA REPORT- 2017

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I am pleased to report that the FJMC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION has been following the aims, mission and objectives as set forth by the Association.

As in previous years, an effort has been made this year to strengthen FJMC Alumni by recruiting new members and increasing our endowment funds, which in turn, enable us to fulfill our commitment to provide scholarship funds for needy students at Fatima Jinnah Medical University, support FJOG (Hepatitis C clinics and other community projects), as well as various other endeavors.

Our activities this year:

- Throughout the year, teleconferences took place with the objective of achieving goals, objectives and planning for the future.
- Messages were sent out by e-mailed through our Yahoo group, WhatsApp and Facebook page for donations and requesting enrolment for membership.
- In summer meeting, Dr. Shagufta presented the president's report with special emphasis on recognition and acknowledgement of services from several past Alumni presidents. She endorsed continued improvement of our website fjmcna.com which undergoes periodic updates; she projected an ongoing improvement and maintenance of this website by Mr. Nicholas Suh, who has been handling it with lot of passion. She asked for suggestions from the attendee to improve website, increase membership and requested Alumni members to open their heart for donation. Dr. Shagufta highlighted the current charitable causes, need for finding more projects for donations and future direction of Alumni.
- Continue to maintain (501) c3 status for FJMC Alumni association.
- We continue to support an e-Library which was established at FJMC in 2009 by FJMC Alumni with the help of SWRDC to fulfill our goal of extending education and knowledge to 600 undergraduate students, 25 post graduates and 50 faculty members.
- The Supreme Court has given a decision in favor of upgrading Fatima Jinnah Medical College to a University status. We are excited and honored to be alumni of this great institution and are looking forward to strengthen our bond further with our Alma Mater.
- Our other major objectives are to continue increasing the endowment funds and contributing to APPNA scholarship funds which we started in 2014 with \$ 20,000 donation. Our Alumni have donated \$4000 this year. With this money, we are able to support other charitable projects. We have been directly contributing and supporting our Fatima Jinnah Medical University's needy students every year. We are planning to contribute 7000 \$ for year 2017. We have supported the WAPNA, SWDR and Rise for Equality by donations as much as our funds allowed us. This year we have also set aside \$1000 to support Hepatitis treatment program and other community programs in Pakistan through AFJOG (Association of Fatima Jinnah old graduates).
- I take pride to share that last year we honored Dr. Zeenat Anwar and her team for their incredible and continued commitment in the project of Human Development and donated \$3500 as direct fund raising for that cause.
- This year we had Dr. Shahnaz Khan as our guest speaker who did an amazing job addressing the attendee of the summer meeting. We also had door prizes and small table gifts for all the participants.

As the president of FJMCAA for 2017 and 2018, I along with the executive team will work sincerely and diligently to create and contribute to projects that support our alumni organization's core values. However, neither our prior accomplishment nor our future projects are possible without out member's involvement. Our hope is to leverage our individual successes and use FJMCAA as a platform to launch larger philanthropic endeavors.