

Form 990
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
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OMB No 1545-0047
2015
Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning 09-01-2015, and ending 08-31-2016

B Check if applicable
Address change
Name change
Initial return
Final return/terminated
Amended return
Application pending

C Name of organization
AMERICAN BOARD OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY
Doing business as
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
400 SILVER CEDAR COURT NO 1100
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
CHAPEL HILL, NC 27514

D Employer identification number
36-6000057
E Telephone number
(919) 929-7103
G Gross receipts \$ 8,837,469

F Name and address of principal officer
AARON WHITE
400 SILVER CEDAR COURT NO 1100
CHAPEL HILL, NC 27514

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? No Yes
H(b) Are all subordinates included? Yes No
If "No," attach a list (see instructions)
H(c) Group exemption number

I Tax-exempt status 501(c)(3) 501(c)(6) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: WWW.ABOS.ORG

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other

L Year of formation 1934 M State of legal domicile DE

Part I Summary

Table with 3 main sections: Activities & Governance, Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets or Fund Balances. Includes rows for mission statement, membership counts, revenue breakdown, and asset/liability totals.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here
Signature of officer: *****
Date: 2017-04-18
AARON WHITE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Paid Preparer Use Only
Print/Type preparer's name: DAVID TRIMNER CPA
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May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? Yes No
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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

TO SERVE THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PUBLIC AND OF THE MEDICAL PROFESSION BY ESTABLISHING EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS FOR ORTHOPAEDIC RESIDENTS AND BY EVALUATING THE INITIAL AND CONTINUING QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCE OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEONS

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
 If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
 If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 INITIAL CERTIFICATION OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEONS EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, PEER REVIEW, A WRITTEN EXAM, AND AN ORAL EXAM ARE REQUIRED TO BECOME BOARD CERTIFIED THERE WERE 700 NEW ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEONS CERTIFIED IN THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED IN 2016 CANDIDATES WHO PASS THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS BECOME A "DIPLOMATE" OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR 10 YEARS THE ORGANIZATION HAS A TOTAL 28,416 DIPLOMATES DURING THE MOST RECENTLY COMPLETED FISCAL YEAR

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 RECERTIFICATION OF SUB-SPECIALTY SPORTS AND HAND EVERY TEN YEARS EVERY 10 YEARS DIPLOMATES MUST MEET ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, PEER REVIEW, AND AN EXAM TO RECERTIFY THERE WERE 1,579 DIPLOMATES TO RECERTIFY IN THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING IN 2016

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)
 SUBSPECIALTY CERTIFICATION CERTIFICATION OF SPORTS AND HAND SUB-SPECIALTY CERTIFICATES AFTER INITIAL CERTIFICATION IS COMPLETE SPORTS SUBSPECIALTY CERTIFICATES 88 HAND SUBSPECIALTY CERTIFICATES 79

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
 (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses ▶

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No response columns. Rows include questions 1 through 20b regarding organizational activities, lobbying, assets, and financial statements.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Answer. Rows include questions 21 through 38 regarding organizational reporting, compensation, and tax-exempt status.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.		
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.		
1c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return.		
2b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).	Yes	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		No
3b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O.		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		No
5b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		No
5c	If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		No
6b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		
7b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
7c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		
7d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.		
7e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		
7f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		
7g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
7h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.			
8	Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
9b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations.	Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.	10b	
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations.	Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders.	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them).	11b	
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.	Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12b	
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans.	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand.	13c	
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.	14b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	The governing body?	Yes	
8b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
10b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	Yes	
11b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	Yes	
12b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	Yes	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		No
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	Yes	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	Yes	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
16b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ▶
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- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records
 ▶ KATHY CLARK CONTROLLER 400 SILVER CEDAR COURT SUITE 1000 CHAPEL HILL, NC 27514 (919) 929-7103

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) SANFORD EMERY MD MBA PRESIDENT	2 00	X		X			2,414	0	0	
(2) J LAWRENCE MARSH MD PRESIDENT-ELECT	2 00	X		X			1,532	0	0	
(3) ANNUNZIATO AMENDOLA MD VICE PRESIDENT	2 00	X		X			2,609	0	0	
(4) THOMAS P VAIL MD SECRETARY	2 00	X		X			1,208	0	0	
(5) JAMES E CARPENTER MD TREASURER	2 00	X		X			3,050	0	0	
(6) DAVID F MARTIN MD SENIOR DIRECTOR	2 00	X					2,243	0	0	
(7) STEPHEN A ALBANESE MD SENIOR DIRECTOR	2 00	X					2,929	0	0	
(8) TERRY THOMPSON MD SENIOR DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0	
(9) JUDITH BAUMHAUER MD SENIOR DIRECTOR	2 00	X					1,306	0	0	
(10) MICHELLE JAMES MD SENIOR DIRECTOR	2 00	X					659	0	0	
(11) REGIS J O'KEEFE MD SENIOR DIRECTOR	2 00	X					2,590	0	0	
(12) JAMES R ROBERSON MD DIRECTOR	2 00	X					1,263	0	0	
(13) RICK W WRIGHT DIRECTOR	2 00	X					1,553	0	0	
(14) DOUGLAS LUNDY MD DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0	

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) PETER MURRAY MD DIRECTOR	2 00	X					2,942	0	0	
(16) TERRANCE PEABODY MD DIRECTOR	2 00	X					1,605	0	0	
(17) CHARLES L SALTZMAN MD DIRECTOR	2 00	X					1,360	0	0	
(18) MICHAEL S BEDNAR MD DIRECTOR-ELECT	2 00	X					1,013	0	0	
(19) JOHN M FLYNN MD DIRECTOR-ELECT	2 00	X					1,547	0	0	
(20) JACK B EVANS PUBLIC MEMBER DIRECTOR	2 00	X					1,182	0	0	
(21) SHEPARD HURWITZ MD ED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40 00			X			499,577	0	105,980	
(22) AARON WHITE COO CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	40 00			X			205,586	0	68,641	
(23) PARTICIA SCALF ADMINISTRATOR EXAMS ADMIN	35 00					X	133,707	0	54,311	
(24) KATHY CLARK CONTROLLER	35 00					X	105,451	0	59,510	
1b Sub-Total										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							977,326	0	288,442	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 4

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		No
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
WEB DATA SOLUTIONS 930 YORK ROAD SUITE 102 HINSDALE, IL 60521	IT SUPPORT AND DESIGN	950,206
NBME 3750 MARKET STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA 19104	TEST DEVELOPMENT	923,331
VEDDER PRICE 222 NORTH LASALLE STREET CHICAGO, IL 60601	LEGAL COUNSEL	224,181
ABMS 222 N LASALLE STREET SUITE 1500 CHICAGO, IL 60601	MEMBER BOARD	196,209

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ▶ 4

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns 1a _____					
	b Membership dues 1b _____					
	c Fundraising events 1c _____					
	d Related organizations 1d _____					
	e Government grants (contributions) 1e _____					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f _____					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶					
Program Service Revenue	2a EXAMS AND APPLICATION _____					
	b _____					
	c _____					
	d _____					
	e _____					
	f All other program service revenue _____					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶		7,199,538	7,199,538		
	Business Code					
	900099					
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶	536,632			536,632	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶					
	5 Royalties ▶					
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real	155,645			
		(ii) Personal				
		b Less rental expenses	115,850			
		c Rental income or (loss)	39,795			
	d Net rental income or (loss) ▶		39,795			39,795
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	945,654			
		(ii) Other				
		b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	384,395			
		c Gain or (loss)	561,259			
	d Net gain or (loss) ▶		561,259			561,259
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 a					
		b Less direct expenses b				
		c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events ▶				
	9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 a					
		b Less direct expenses b				
		c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities ▶				
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a					
b Less cost of goods sold b						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory ▶						
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a _____						
b _____						
c _____						
d All other revenue						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶						
12 Total revenue. See Instructions ▶		8,337,224	7,199,538	0	1,137,686	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	855,328			
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	1,124,543			
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	194,686			
9	Other employee benefits	253,393			
10	Payroll taxes	93,155			
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	224,181			
c	Accounting	35,553			
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees	108,586			
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	583,363			
12	Advertising and promotion	1,020			
13	Office expenses	247,457			
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	115,837			
17	Travel	166,742			
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	806,912			
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	341,419			
23	Insurance	93,882			
24	Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a	NBME CONTRACT	923,331			
b	SCRIBE SUPPORT	426,902			
c	SITE EXPENSE	358,945			
d	EXAMINERS	342,858			
e	All other expenses	341,566			
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	7,639,659			
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash-non-interest-bearing	1,706,654	1	2,586,180
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	1,011,009	2	683,783
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	56,599	4	80,176
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	396,337	9	445,865
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 5,154,965		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 3,322,774	1,924,616	10c 1,832,191
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	28,113,582	11	31,370,739
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11	136,367	12	154,988
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	33,345,164	16	37,153,922	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	972,444	17	2,094,445
	18 Grants payable	98,743	18	20,325
	19 Deferred revenue	718,650	19	809,599
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D	149,136	25	167,757
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	1,938,973	26	3,092,126
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	31,406,191	27	34,061,796
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	31,406,191	33	34,061,796	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	33,345,164	34	37,153,922	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	8,337,224
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	7,639,659
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	697,565
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	31,406,191
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	1,958,039
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	34,061,796

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
2c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
▶ Attach to Form 990.

Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
AMERICAN BOARD OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY

Employer identification number
36-6000057

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4) (B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets

(continued)

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

	Amount
1c Beginning balance	
1d Additions during the year	
1e Distributions during the year	
1f Ending balance	

- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

- (i)** unrelated organizations
- (ii)** related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)		
3a(ii)		
3b		

b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		235,412		235,412
b Buildings		2,470,660	1,608,698	861,962
c Leasehold improvements		895,019	736,197	158,822
d Equipment		1,553,874	977,879	575,995
e Other				

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c)) **▶** 1,832,191

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

Part IX Other Assets. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15

(a) Description	(b) Book value
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15)	

Part X Other Liabilities. Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
Federal income taxes	
DEPOSITS	12,769
DEFERRED COMPENSATION	154,988
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	167,757

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	14,858,527
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	1,958,039	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	4,556,000	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	6,514,039
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	8,344,488
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	108,586	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b	-115,850	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	-7,264
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	8,337,224

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	12,202,922
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	4,556,000	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	115,850	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	4,671,850
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	7,531,072
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	108,586	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	108,586
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	7,639,658

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART X, LINE 2	THE ORGANIZATION ADOPTED A POLICY THAT CLARIFIES THE ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES RECOGNIZED IN AN ENTITY'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THE POLICY PRESCRIBES A RECOGNITION THRESHOLD AND MEASUREMENT PRINCIPLES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT RECOGNITION AND MEASUREMENT OF TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN ON A TAX RETURN THAT ARE NOT CERTAIN TO BE RECOGNIZED THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS POLICY HAD NO IMPACT ON THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

Return Reference	Explanation
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	RENTAL EXPENSES 115,850

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

OMB No 1545-0047

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
 ▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**
 ▶ **Attach to Form 990.**

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Name of the organization AMERICAN BOARD OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY	Employer identification number 36-6000057
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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No								
<p>1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)</td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees	<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees									
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)									
<p>b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain.</p>	1b	Yes								
<p>2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?</p>	2	Yes								
<p>3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee				
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee									
<p>4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:</p>										
<p>a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?</p>	4a	No								
<p>b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</p>	4b	No								
<p>c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.</p>	4c	No								
<p>Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.</p>										
<p>5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:</p>										
<p>a The organization?</p>	5a									
<p>b Any related organization? If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.</p>	5b									
<p>6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:</p>										
<p>a The organization?</p>	6a									
<p>b Any related organization? If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.</p>	6b									
<p>7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</p>	7									
<p>8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.</p>	8									
<p>9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?</p>	9									

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 SHEPARD HURWITZ MD ED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	(i)	484,573 -----	12,500 -----	2,504 -----	61,250 -----	44,730 -----	605,557 -----	0 -----
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 AARON WHITE COO CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER	(i)	192,400 -----	11,261 -----	1,925 -----	50,600 -----	18,041 -----	274,227 -----	0 -----
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 PARTICIA SCALF ADMINISTRATOR EXAMS ADMIN	(i)	120,000 -----	12,677 -----	1,030 -----	30,250 -----	24,061 -----	188,018 -----	0 -----
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 KATHY CLARK CONTROLLER	(i)	102,458 -----	2,993 -----	0 -----	25,740 -----	33,770 -----	164,961 -----	0 -----
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 1A	MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY HAVE THE ABILITY TO INCLUDE A SPOUSE TO TRAVEL WITH THEM FOR VARIOUS ORGANIZATION BUSINESS. THESE AMOUNTS ARE DEEMED GROSS-UP PAYMENTS AND INCLUDED IN THE TAXABLE INCOME OF THE APPROPRIATE INDIVIDUALS. IN ADDITION, THE ORGANIZATION MAY HAVE INSTANCES WHEN FIRST-CLASS TRAVEL IS NECESSARY FOR CONDUCTING ORGANIZATION BUSINESS.

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or
990-EZ)**

Department of the
Treasury
Internal Revenue
Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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AMERICAN BOARD OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY

Employer identification number

36-6000057

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 1	THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS THE PRESIDENT AS CHAIR, THE IMMEDIATE PAST-PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT-ELECT, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SERVES AS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER WITHOUT VOTE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS THE AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT THE BUSINESS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION BETWEEN MEETINGS OF THE BOARD AND REPORTS ANY SUCH ACTIONS TO THE BOARD FOR RATIFICATION
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE ORGANIZATION CONTRACTS WITH A PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM TO PREPARE THE FORM 990 BASED ON INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM MANAGEMENT AND DURING THE FINANCIAL AUDIT ONCE THE DRAFT IS AVAILABLE, IT IS REVIEWED BY MANAGEMENT AND THE AUDIT COMMITTEE THE FORM 990 IS THEN PROVIDED TO THE GOVERNING BODY PRIOR TO FILING

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	ALL AMERICAN BOARD OF ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY (ABOS) DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER ARE COVERED BY CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REVIEW THE FORMS EACH DIRECTOR AND THE TWO EXECUTIVES MUST FILL OUT A FORM ANNUALLY, AND ARE OBLIGED TO REPORT SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE ABOS STAFF IN WRITING THE FORMS ARE STORED ON A PASSWORD PROTECTED LOCATION ON THE ABOS WEBSITE THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL THE DIRECTORS THE PERSON WHO IS CONFLICTED IS EXCUSED FROM DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS CONCERNING THE CONFLICTED PARTY ANY CONFLICT WILL BE DOCUMENTED IN THE MEETING MINUTES OF THE FULL BOARD
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	WITH THE HIRING OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AN OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY WAS UTILIZED FOR THE PROCESS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ORGANIZATION DETERMINES ANY COMPENSATION AND BONUS ADJUSTMENTS EACH YEAR BASED ON PERFORMANCE AND OTHER BENCHMARKING THE PROCESS WAS LAST UNDERTAKEN IN 2016 FOR ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THE COMPENSATION LEVEL BASED ON COMPARABILITY DATA AND CURRENT PERFORMANCE THIS PROCESS WAS ALSO LAST UNDERTAKEN IN 2016

990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST