

Senior Board Chair Report

Good afternoon, everyone! I'm Kris Seitz, and as your Senior Board Chair, I'm proud to stand here today and share a quick look back at what your Board of Directors has been working on over the past year.

First and foremost, let's talk about our biggest priority: protecting our profession and our patients. As President Roman mentioned earlier, we faced some serious legislative hurdles this year around contrast administration and GXMO supervision—issues that directly impact patient safety. We didn't sit back. We met directly with lawmakers, teamed up with our lobbyist, and collaborated closely with ASRT governance staff. Junior Chair Allison Stokes even took the hot seat during an Ohio Senate Health Committee hearing to defend our standards. That kind of advocacy is tough, vital work, and it's easily one of our proudest accomplishments this year.

We've also focused heavily on smart stewardship of your resources. Thank you for approving our 2026–2027 budget. Along those lines, the Board made an exciting strategic decision: we're combining our Annual Meeting and the Student and Educator Symposium back into one single, vibrant event each April. The 2027 fall Annual Meeting will be our last separate event. Bringing everyone together under one roof streamlines our planning, maximizes our resources, and lets students and seasoned professionals connect and network.

To support that, we just signed a multi-year contract with the Ohioan Hotel and Conference Center through 2030. It's a great facility, keeps our costs predictable, and gives us room to expand seating for the Ballinger exam. Behind the scenes, our Executive Committee works together with our Operations Manager to keep our finances tracked, transparent, and secure.

Internally, we're also streamlining how we work. We are all busy professionals volunteering our time, so we're rolling out some new board meeting procedures to boost efficiency and committee accountability. Plus, starting with the 2027 Annual Meeting, we are eliminating the Junior Chairperson role. This trims the total presidential commitment from four years down to three—making leadership more accessible for members who want to step up.

Speaking of leadership, we're investing heavily in the next generation. Our newest student director, Ilyas Nur, joined us alongside two other outstanding students in the 2026 ASRT Student to Leadership Development Program. We were thrilled to send three participants to Albuquerque this past June—and if you saw our Facebook page, you know they managed to get a photo with practically every ASRT dignitary in attendance! We also welcomed back Tracy Herrmann to fill a Board vacancy, bringing valuable experience back to our team.

Nationally, Ohio's presence remains strong. Our Operations Manager filed all state affiliate paperwork, and we've named our affiliate delegates for the 2027 ASRT Annual Governance Meeting in Orlando, alongside several OSRT members elected as Chapter Delegates.

Looking forward, we're formulating our next strategic plan. In the coming weeks, look out for a short landscape survey. Please take a few minutes to fill it out—we want your priorities driving our future.

On a personal note, this marks the end of my time on the OSRT Board of Directors. Over the past eight years, through a lot of personal and professional changes, this organization has been an incredible anchor. I'm deeply grateful for the trust you placed in me. I've grown as a leader, learned a tremendous amount, and made lifelong friends working alongside some amazing people.

I have zero doubt that the leaders you've chosen will continue moving the OSRT forward with passion and purpose. Please stay involved, support one another, and never lose sight of how much our work matters. Be proud of what you do and who you are.

Thank you for allowing me to serve. It's been an absolute privilege. I may be stepping down from the Board, but I'm definitely not stepping away from the OSRT.

Thank you.

Kris Seitz