AAPA Membership Chair Report Submitted by J. Josh Snodgrass, 3/23/16

Preliminary Version—Does Not Include Final Membership Numbers and Names

1. Membership Numbers/Trends. Membership over the last several years is as follows:

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 (as of 3/22/16)
1628	1615	1636	1457	1563	1950	1755

Last year at the time of our annual meeting we had 1433 current members (2015 members as of 3/22/15). This year, on the same date, the association has 1755 current members (i.e., for the 2016 calendar year).

As reported last year, we experienced a membership decline several years ago that was in part due to major problems with Allen Press, our management company. We transitioned to a new management company (BAI) on 1/1/15 and over the past year we have worked closely with their staff to address previous problems and to increase our membership numbers. This effort has been successful—previous problems have been corrected and the membership is now growing steadily.

2. Membership Applicants. Since the 2015 meeting, 635 people have applied as new members and an additional 87 have applied to transition from Student to Regular or from Student to Special. A number of others transitioned from Regular to Retired but those numbers are not tallied here as they do not require the approval of the association membership.

Some new applicants had been approved previously for membership but had let their membership lapse; if it had been more than two years of non-payment, these individuals were treated as new member applicants.

For new applicants for Regular and Special member categories, I verified credentials for membership by researching the applicants online, reviewing CVs, and/or soliciting reference letters. For new applicants for Student membership, I reviewed their credentials, researched the applicant online, and then confirmed student status with an advisor or faculty member in their department.

The names of the new and transitioning applicants—all of whom I have preliminarily approved—are listed on the following pages by membership category (To Be Added in the Final Report).