SPO Past Presidents

Since 1980, SPO has grown under the leadership and commitments of its board and presidents. We thank the following past presidents for their commitment to SPO:

- 1980-82 Dr. Milledge Murphy, University of Northern Colorado
- 1982-85 Dr. Jane Myers, Ohio University
- 1985-86 Dr. Harvey Sterns, University of Akron
- 1986-87 Dr. Gary Lesnoff-Caravalgia, University of Mass. Medical Center, Worcester
- 1987-89 Dr. Novella Perrin, Central Missouri State University
- 1989-91 Dr. William Lane, State University of NY-Cortland
- 1991-93 Dr. Jean Coyle, New Mexico State University & Fort Hays State University
- 1993-94 Dr. Anthony Traxler, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville
- 1994-95 Dr. Ruth Weg, University of Southern California
- 1995-96 Dr. Jeffrey Chesky, University of Illinois, Springfield
- 1996-97 Dr. Pauline Abbott, University of Southern California
- 1997-98 Dr. Evelyn Mahairas VAMC, Coatesville, PA
- 1998-99 Dr. Wiley Mangum, University of South Florida
- 1999-00 Dr. W. Edward Folts, Appalachian State University
- 2000-01 Dr. Terry Tirrito, University of South Carolina
- 2001-02 Dr. Graham Rowles, University of Kentucky
- 2002-03 Dr. W. Edward Folts, Appalachian State University
- 2003-04 Dr. Joseph Weber, III, California State University, Fullerton
- 2004-05 Dr. James Peacock, Appalachian State University
- 2005-06 Dr. Jennifer Kinney, Miami University
- 2006-08 Dr. Debra Sheets, California State University, Northridge.
- 2008-10 Dr. Janice Wassel, University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- 2010-12 Dr. Rona Karasik, St. Cloud State University. St. Cloud, Minnesota
- 2012-14 Dr. Mary Ligon, York College of Pennsylvania, York, Pennsylvania
- 2014-16 Dr. Katie Ehlman, University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, Indiana
- 2016-18 Dr. Pamela Pitman Brown, Albany State University, Albany, Georgia
- 2018-20 Dr. Cynthia R. Hancock, University of North Carolina at Charlotte

NOTE: Dr. Robert Famighetti, dean of the College of New Jersey, was elected as President-Elect of SPO, to become President in 1987-88. Dr. Famighetti died while President-Elect.