



NAEP Chapter Committee Meeting – September 23, 2009

Participants: (13) Tim Bower (NAEP Administrator), Molly Brown (Northwest, Representative), Eric Galamb (North Carolina, President), Randy Hankamer (Austin Subchapter), Crystal Lawson (North Texas, President), Robert Morris (North Texas, Representative), Kent Norton (California, President), Dennis Peters (Hawaii, Representative), Joe Pinto (Arizona, President), Valori Ranson (Texas, President), Roger Turner (California, Representative), Shannon Tyrell (Texas, Representative), and John Irving (NAEP, Chapter Committee Chair)

Welcomed Crystal Lawson, new president of the North Texas chapter.

Just for fun ... Chapter Representative—5 from Texas, 2 from California, 10 from the West, 1 from the East, 2 elected board members, 1 troublemaker (what!, who was that?)

Affiliation Agreement

1. The Affiliation Agreement comments continue to come in to John Irving and Dennis Peters; to date comments received from Arizona, California, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, North Carolina, Northwest, North Texas, Pennsylvania, Rocky Mountain, Texas, and some NAEP Board members
2. The plan is to circulate the comments through the Chapter Committee subgroup working on the Affiliation Agreement, along with initial comments from John Irving & Dennis Peters
3. There was a good round table discussion on how what to expect at the October board meeting and on how to implement the Affiliation Agreement.
4. The current plan is to present the BOD with revised draft Affiliation Agreement at the October BOD meeting.
5. Many on the conference call expressed concern that that left little time for chapter representatives to let their membership know how the 'new' Affiliation Agreement changed.
6. Many of the conference call believed that the best way to implement the Affiliation Agreement is from a bottom up ... or from Chapter up to NAEP. In other words, NAEP should work with the Chapters to get an Affiliation Agreement that Chapters agree with, then NAEP would vote on accepting the agreement.
7. John Irving indicated that the decision on how to implement the Affiliation Agreement would likely occur through the Executive Committee; however, in hindsight, that decision may have occurred at the BOD meeting in May or August.
8. John Irving suggested that Chapter Representatives send Ron Deverman or Paul Looney an email stating their concern and suggestion.

Other Topics

1. There was good discussion on the topic of how to market membership to state and federal agencies; Texas markets to city, state, & federal agency personnel by giving those involved in 'regulatory' agencies a discount on their membership fees. Other chapters find it difficult because of the cost and the unwillingness of agencies to pay for or defray costs related to membership or attendance at chapter functions (conferences, workshops, or luncheons).
2. Most chapters have seen a reduction in 'sponsors', but surprisingly not a reduction in members. North Carolina has seen no change in sponsorship of the past few years and their membership remains steady. Texas, California, and others have seen a reluctance on sponsors and exhibitors to help with workshops and conferences.

Below is a summary of comment topics on the Affiliation Agreement (and rough number); many good constructive comments and a few not so constructive! As mentioned above, we are waiting for comments from several remaining chapters; then it is our intent to circulate the comments to the Chapter Representative.

- ABCEP / Membership Certification (1)
- Affiliation Membership (2)
- Affiliation Rate or Membership Costs/Fees (23)
- Annual Report (3)
- Benefits (25)
- By-Laws (1)
- Chapter Boundaries (2)
- Chapter Newsletters (1)
- Charter Representatives (1)
- Continuing Education (2)
- Financial Records / Taxes / Legal (8)
- General (14)
- Grammar / Format (5)
- Implementation (3)
- Logo (3)
- Mailing List (1)
- Membership Dues and Process (4)
- Membership Requirements (14)
- Modifying the Agreement (1)
- NAEP Election Process (1)
- NAEP Responsibilities (8)
- Severing Agreement (1)

Next Meeting: October 28, 2009, 1:00PM Mountain
Summary of October 25 board meeting