

**American Academy of Certified Public Managers®  
Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting  
October 19, 2019**

**Board Members Present:** Dennis Martino, President; Jeffrey Dinkins, President-elect; Bill Herman, Secretary; Debbie Smith, Treasurer; Becky Bryant, Director of Membership; Hope Obika Waobikeze, Director of Education and Loretta Tillery, Immediate Past President

**Board Members Absent:** Greg Hyland, Director of Communications

**Others Present:** Patty Morgan

The President-elect convened the meeting at 1:04 PM (EST).

**September 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes:**

**Becky Bryant moved to approve the September 11, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Debbie Smith. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion carried.**

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer provided a written report in advance of the meeting which reviewed the expenditures and revenues with the Board through October 8, 2019. At the present time, all expenses have been paid and there are no checks outstanding.

Debbie Smith reviewed travel reimbursement process and practice for the AACPM 2019 Professional Development Conference and Annual Meeting. She also noted the Certified Public Manager® Education Foundation (CPMEF) will make information available for presenting and discussion at the AACPM Conference in Omaha. The Treasurer will also prepare a comparison report of expenditures for the past four years to discuss at the Annual Board Meeting in Omaha as the basis for an AACPM budget for 2020.

**Bill Herman moved to place the Treasurer's Report on file for audit. Seconded by Becky Bryant. A vote was take, all were in favor, the motion carried.**

**AACPM Membership Report:**

Becky Bryant reported as of October 9th, the AACPM had a total of 129 members. Of this total, 95 members are current and 33 are pending renewal. Overall, this represents a decrease of two members from September 2019.

Becky Bryant indicated she will be personally reaching out to each of the 33 members pending renewal as an extra reminder of the time to renew and to encourage their renewal and participation. Further, she also reported there are an additional 14 members whose

memberships will expire between now and December 31<sup>st</sup>, and she will try to also be more proactive in reaching out to those members to encourage renewal prior to their membership expiration.

*Becky Bryant will generate an additional contact from the Director of Membership for the 33 current AACPM members whose membership are at the renewal point, as well as 14 other members whose renewal will come by December 31<sup>st</sup>.*

### **Communications Report:**

Becky Bryant inquired about the status of the September / October AACPM newsletter. Bill Herman noted Dennis Martino had communications with Greg Hyland over the past weekend and learned Greg had approximately eight articles, but had been waiting for an article from the President-elect that had not been received. Greg had indicated to Dennis he would be circulating the material he had this week for editing.

Dennis Martino joined the meeting at 1:13 PM.

In picking up the conversation, Dennis reiterated the current status of the newsletter, and noted Greg felt although fewer articles than he had anticipated, he had enough material to publish.

### **Ongoing and Unfinished Business:**

**Awards and Recognitions:** Loretta Tillery reported she had recently presented a proclamation at the graduation ceremony for the District of Columbia CPM graduation.

**Henning Award:** Debbie Smith reported she had ordered and anticipates receipt of the 2019 Henning Award next week, and she will be bringing it with her to Omaha for presentation.

Patty Morgan joined the meeting at 1:25 PM.

### **New Business**

**Nomination Process:** The President reported despite extending the filing period, there have been no candidates to file for the position of President-elect. He felt the Board needed to discuss the way forward to be able to have the position filled. Bill Herman indicated it was his understanding previously two different methods had taken place. In one instance, the House of Delegates (HOD) had first proposed that current office holders (i.e. – President-elect, President and Past President) be extended in office for one additional year until the next regular election. This did not happen due to the individuals involved not being willing to continue to serve, so the HOD instead voted to direct a special election be called before the end of the year and, in that instance, two former AACPM Presidents stepped forward for election. He understood the other involved a situation where a President simply left and did not complete his term and the President-elect (Becky Bryant) stepped up and filled the role without a President-elect for the remainder of that year. The position was filled by Loretta Tillery at the next regular election.

Discussion ensued about the potential of a special election, the potential extension of the current officers' terms, the ability to have write-in candidates on the ballot or nominations from the floor at the annual meeting. Ultimately, it was understood the AACPM Constitution, By-laws and SOPs do not allow for write-in candidates or nominations from the floor. Effectively, balloting occurs in advance up to the opening of the annual meeting, and are then tallied and results announced at the meeting. It was noted the AACPM is now an individual member driven organization, which requires providing for the ability to vote for candidates for office outside of the annual meeting in order to allow the members the opportunity to vote for their leaders.

The consensus of the Board was to propose at the annual meeting in Omaha that the membership present vote to suspend the rules and hold a Special Election for the position of President-elect as quickly as is reasonably possible. In between time, the AACPM will release a ballot to the membership now for the positions of Secretary and Director of Education for which there are candidates.

*Dennis Martino indicated he would follow up with Patty Morgan to have the electronic ballots released to the membership for the 2019 AACPM election for Secretary and Director of Education.*

#### **Agenda for Annual Business Meeting:**

Dennis Martino noted the Secretary had drafted and circulated a potential agenda for the annual AACPM Business Meeting in Omaha. He liked the agenda and felt it should be included as part of the handouts Patty Morgan will prepare to provide to the AACPM membership attending the meeting. The Board agreed with this suggestion.

#### **Other Business:**

Becky Bryant noted the President had asked if she was willing to continue to serve as the Consortium Liaison and she indicated she was, but was not certain if this was a decision made by the President or is a Board appointment. Dennis Martino noted he had discussed this potential with the President-elect and both are in agreement with the re-appointment of Becky Bryant for this role. It was noted the SOPs indicated this is a two-year appointment by the President with the approval of the Board. The President indicated he would include this on the agenda for action at the Board of Director's meeting to be held in Omaha.

#### **Adjournment:**

**Bill Herman moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 PM (EST). Seconded by Becky Bryant. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.**

The President thanked the participants and adjourned the meeting at 2:00 PM (EST).

Respectfully submitted:  
William G. Herman, CPM  
Secretary