

MINUTES - January 4, 2002  
Steering Committee Meeting  
Northeast Region American Accounting Association

Steering Committee Members present were: Peter Battelle, Priscilla Burnaby, Karen Cascini, Mary Collins, Susan Hass, Beth Hawes, Mark Higgins, Phil Jagolinzer, Steve Jarett, Pat Poli, John Ribezzo, and Robert Colson (*ex officio*)

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:35 A.M., on Friday, January 4, 2002, in conference room #1 at the New York State Society of CPA's offices, 530 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. Introductions were made for the benefit of Peter Battelle who was joining the Committee to replace Herb Hunt who moved from the University of Vermont out of the region .
2. The Committee waived the reading of the minutes of the August 13, 2001 meeting and approved them unanimously.
3. Discussion took place around a proposed "Standing Rule", presented by Phil Jagolinzer, that deals with bids for future meetings of the region. The committee members offered suggestions for change and instructed Phil to present a revised version at the next meeting in April in Providence.
4. Steve Jarett agreed to serve another term on the Committee that will expire in April 2005. Peter Battelle's term on the Committee will expire in April 2005.
5. The Committee elected to the Northeast Regional Hall of Fame, for induction in April 2002: Dale Jacque Grinnell from the University of Vermont, Peter G. Wilson and Arnold M. Wright from Boston College. The President will send them letters announcing the honor.
6. The bid by Marist College for the 2004 meeting was discussed at length. The Committee tentatively agreed to the request of Robert Walsh to Chair that meeting, subject to finding a suitable hotel in or near Albany or Westchester, New York (e.g., Tarrytown). The Desmond in Albany and the Marriott in Tarrytown have been identified as possible sites, but need scrutiny by Dee Strahan, the meeting coordinator consultant. A final decision needs to be made at the April 2002 meeting as the 2004 Chair must join the Steering Committee and will represent the region at national Council meetings in August 2002 and April 2003.
7. Phil Jagolinzer reported that the meeting in Maine was a financial success in that the region's treasury increased by about \$8,000 from the year before.
8. Mark Higgins and John Ribezzo reported on progress for the Providence meeting. They expect few problems and have most programming on schedule. The number of paper submissions, however, was lower than expected.
9. Patricia Poli reported that, as of January 4, 2002, the AAA had not finalized a contract for the hotel in Fairfield, Connecticut for the 2003 meeting. She said that Dee Strahan indicated it would be completed shortly.
10. After much discussion John Ribezzo moved that "The Steering Committee wishes to discontinue the doctoral consortium and evaluate and make recommendations regarding possible changes." The motion was approved unanimously. The President will inform Tony Tinker, past Chair of the consortium, of this decision.
11. The meeting adjourned just before noon. Lunch was taken at the Oyster Bar in Grand Central Terminal

[Minutes prepared by Philip Jagolinzer].