

AGENDA
NORTHEAST REGION STEERING COMMITTEE
Winter Meeting
January 10, 2003

Present: Mark Higgins, Patricia M. Poli, Philip Jagolinzer, Peter Battelle, John Ribezzo, Steven Jarett, Robert Walsh, Robert H. Colson, and Victoria Shoaf

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 AM at the offices of the New York State Society of CPAs.
2. A motion was made to approve the minutes of our last meeting on April 18, 2002 in Providence, RI. The motion passed.
3. Mark reviewed the financial results of the 2002 meeting and indicated that the meeting generated approximately \$5,000 and that the region has a cash balance of approximately \$31, 500.
4. Mark provided an update on the regions webpage. He indicated that all the abstracts and/or papers from last years meeting have been available on the webpage since last July. The web address is:
http://www.cba.uri.edu/Faculty/Higgins/Homepages/AAA_Northeast_Region/AAA-Northeast_Region.htm
5. After discussion, the committee decided to hold its next steering committee meeting on Thursday April 24, 2003 from 4:00PM to 6:00 PM at the Marriott in Stamford, CT. At that time,we will discuss whether or not to hold a meeting in Hawaii at the annual meeting and we will set a tentative time for the January 2004 meeting in New York City.
6. The committee discussed potential steering committee appointments. The committee voted to ask Joan Hollister of Marist (2004 co-chair) and Jeff Shields of the University of Southern Maine to join the committee. Mark will contact both of them.
7. The committee received an update from Victoria Shoaf on the 2005 meeting in Long Island. She has investigated two hotels but a contract has not been signed.
8. The committee received an update from Robert Walsh of Marist College on the 2004 meeting to be held from April 29, 2004 – May 1, 2004 at the Marriott in Albany. The hotel is about 1 ½ miles from the airport. The rate is approximately \$150 per night
9. Mark informed the committee that the University of New Hampshire is interested in hosting the 2006 meeting. The chair of the meeting would be Afshad Irani. He is investigating hotels in the Portsmouth, NH area.

10. The committee discussed nominations for the Northeast region Hall of Fame. After discussing the nominees the committee selected Priscilla Burnaby of Bentley College and Robert Colson of the New York State Society of CPAs
11. Pat Poli presented an update of the 2003 meeting. She said that she received over 70 papers for the meeting. Pat confirmed that Bill Felix – AAA President Elect will be attending the meeting. She also discussed the process that will be used for selecting the best Ph.D. student paper and the best new faculty paper. Pat said that Becker Conviser contributed \$5,000 to endow the sponsoring of the paper awards. All of the papers will be reviewed by the past meeting chair (Mark), the current meeting chair (Pat), and the next year's meeting chair (Robert). She said she plans to give pins to all CPAs and CMAs in keeping with the theme of her meeting "Bridging the Gap between Academics and Practitioners".
12. Bob Colson provided us with an update of issues facing the profession.
13. The meeting adjourned at 12:17 PM