

Diversity Section Breakfast Business Meeting

2014 American Accounting Association Annual Meeting

Wednesday, August 6th, 2014

Atlanta, GA

1. **Open Meeting:** Dahlia Robinson, President, called the meeting to order at 7:28am.
2. **Previous Meeting Minutes:** Dahlia Robinson presented the previous meeting minutes. The minutes were accepted as read.
3. **Treasury Report:** Michael Robinson, Treasurer, provided the highlights of the 2013-2014 budget. He noted that there are 209 members and membership has declined. The 2013-2014 budget increase is due to the early collection of sponsor contributions for the upcoming November meeting.
4. **Diversity Council Representative Report:** Kathryn Epps, AAA Council Representative, thanked the section for the opportunity to serve and stated that Mark Dawkins, will be our incoming AAA Council Representative. Dr. Epps mentioned that there will be new structure, by-laws, and governing power to the AAA Council. The AAA is exploring an academic integrity process and developing an advocacy project.
5. **Annual Meeting Submission Report:** Evelyn McDowell, Annual Meeting Coordinator, reported that 13 papers were submitted and three (3) of the submitted papers were financial papers. Given the low number of the diversity-related papers, we lost a concurrent session at the 2014 annual meeting.
6. **2014 Diversity Meeting:** Maria Caban, Conference Coordinator, announced that we will be celebrating our 10th annual midyear meeting. Guest speakers include Dr. Carolyn Callahan and Ms. Kathy Hannan from KPMG.
7. **New President Address:** Andrea Roberts, the incoming President, announced the new officers. The new board officers were approved by the general body.
8. **Other Business:**
 - a. Harold Little asked the members to provide him with their contact information.
 - b. Kathryn Epps, Maria Caban and Nicole McCoy received service awards.
9. **End Meeting:** Andrea Roberts adjourned the meeting at 8:15am.