



**American
Accounting
Association**
Board of Directors Minutes
Friday, April 17, 2020
Webinar

Board of Directors Attending	
Terry Shevlin, President Elaine Mauldin, President-Elect Marc Rubin, Past-President Steve Kaplan, Vice President-Education Mark DeFond, Vice President-Research and Publications Wim Van der Stede, Director-Focusing on International Tracie Miller-Nobles, Director-Focusing on Membership	Audrey Gramling, Director-Focusing on Segments Mary Harris Stanford, Director-Focusing on Intellectual Property John Hepp, Director-Focusing on Academic/Practitioner Interaction Mark Beasley, Vice President-Finance-Elect Tracey Sutherland, Executive Director
Board of Directors unable to attend	
Mark Taylor, Vice President-Finance	
Guests & Staff Attending	
Cindy Durtschi, Council Chair	Barbara Brady, Senior Director, Operations Julie Smith David, Chief Innovation Officer Michele Morgan, Controller

MSC = Motion Seconded and Carried

MSF = Motion Seconded and Failed

Minutes April 17, 2020
<p>A. Welcome – President Terry Shevlin welcomed all to the second April Board of Directors webinar. The agenda was reviewed with no changes.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Cares Act: AAA update - Michele Morgan, Controller, updated the Board on the Cares Act.</p> <p>MSC to approve the loan and participate in the process.</p>
<p>B. Executive Director Search Update - Terry Shevlin and Director-Focusing on Membership Tracie Miller-Nobles updated the Board on the Executive Director Search Committee. The committee is on track with their timeline.</p>
<p>C. Imagining the Future: AAA Strategy & Opportunities for Engagement</p> <p>1. Feedback from Council and Segment Leaders – President-Elect Elaine Mauldin reported on the feedback from Council and Segment Leaders on having an always open virtual room on Segment websites. Some uses for the rooms were discussed and include education topics, research topics, faculty development, meetings and Segment work. The cost is \$20 per month and there could be a 4-month pilot. The pilot cost would go to the Section/Region Pilot fund and if useful, the charge could roll out to Segments. Some Sections have shown interest in having a Virtual room.</p> <p>MSC to approve the 4-month pilot program for Virtual Rooms.</p> <p>MSC by email to approve a Virtual Spring meeting.</p>

Minutes (continued)

2. Update on Virtual Spring meeting - Executive Director Tracey Sutherland and Chief Innovation Officer Julie Smith David updated the Board on the plans for the virtual meeting. Prior to the meeting presenters will create an infographic and there will be a link to their paper. The participants will review the “gallery” of presentations and develop questions. During the meeting there will be moderators, sessions will be recorded and there will be CPE credit-hours available.
3. Scheduled meetings update - an update was given on the Doctoral Consortium, Bootcamps, and Intensive Data and Analytics.
4. Annual Meeting planning – AAA Staff continue to gather data from members and are asking leaders to report on their institution’s situations. If the in-person meeting is held there will be a virtual component.

D. May Strategic Retreat planning - Board members were asked to save the dates in May for the Strategic Retreat. More information will be sent closer to the date of the meeting. New Leader orientation will be held by webinar after the Strategic Retreat.

E. Governance update

1. Lifetime Service Award (V) - committee sent minutes of their meeting – the committee is recommending three candidates instead of two.

MSC to approve to award the Lifetime Service award to 3 recipients in 2020.

2. Outstanding Service Award – Board members were asked to think about who might be a recipient(s) for this year.
3. Acceptance of Committee Reports - the following reports were submitted for acceptance:
 - a. *Accounting Horizons* Steering Committee – Sudipta Basu, Chair
 - b. Notable and Distinguished Contributions to Accounting Literature Award Screening Committee – Brian Bratten, Chair
 - c. AAA Nominations Committee – Anne Christensen, Chair

MSC to approve the Committee reports as submitted.

F. Council Agenda - The Council webinar is currently scheduled for April 21. There was a consensus to delay the webinar until April 28.

G. Other Business - Terry Shevlin had received a proposal request for access to refereed Accounting Review submissions. It was decided not to move forward with this request.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.