



Board of Directors Minutes
Wednesday, May 20, 2020
Webinar

Board of Directors Attending

<p>Terry Shevlin, President Elaine Mauldin, President-Elect Robert Allen, President-Elect Elect Marc Rubin, Past-President Mark Taylor, Vice President-Finance Mark Beasley, Vice President-Finance-Elect Steve Kaplan, Vice President-Education Beth Kern, Vice President-Education Elect Mark DeFond, Vice President-Research and Publications Wim Van der Stede, Director-Focusing on International</p>	<p>Giorgio Gotti, Director-Focusing on International Elect Tracie Miller-Nobles, Director-Focusing on Membership Ann Dzurainin, Director-Focusing on Membership Elect Audrey Gramling, Director-Focusing on Segments Mary Harris Stanford, Director-Focusing on Intellectual Property John Hepp, Director-Focusing on Academic/Practitioner Interaction Tracey Sutherland, Executive Director</p>
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Guests & Staff Attending

<p>Cindy Durtschi, Council Chair Nancy Nichols, Council Chair-Elect</p>	<p>Julie Smith David, Chief Innovation Officer Erlinda Jones, Senior Director, Meetings Barbara Brady, Senior Director, Operations</p>
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MSC = Motion Seconded and Carried

MSF = Motion Seconded and Failed

**Minutes
May 20, 2020**

A. Welcome – President Terry Shevlin welcomed all to the May webinar. The agenda was reviewed with no changes.

MSC to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2020 and April 17, 2020 minutes.

B. Executive Director Search Update – Bruce Behn reported on the number of applicants submitted for the Executive Director position. He reviewed the timeline going forward. The Search Committee is in process of reviewing the applications and they hope to present the Board with a pool of 3-4 people.

C. Introduction of Board Members – The new Board members introduced themselves, President-Elect Robert (Bob) Allen, Vice President-Education Beth Kern, Director-Focusing on International Giorgio Gotti, and Director-Focusing on Membership, Ann Dzurainin.

D. 2020 Annual Meeting Decision – Tracey Sutherland updated the Board on the cancelled meetings. She reported on the upcoming Virtual Spark meeting. A summary of various Annual Meeting scenarios was shared with the Board. The scenarios were what happens if AAA cancels the meeting; the hotel cancels; we hold the in-person as budgeted; or we hold the meeting in-person only it is smaller. Data from a survey of members asking their travel plans and their plans for attending the Annual Meeting pre-Covid-19 and their plans for attending if restrictions were lifted was shared. Tracey explained conversations had with our attorney and the hotels. She also explained how the contracting for Annual Meeting works and we plan about four years ahead in contracts.

MSC – to ask Tracey Sutherland, Executive Director, to proceed with cancelling the Annual Meeting and if needed, the Board authorizes her to negotiate for an Annual Meeting contract for 2025.

E. Accounting Horizons Editor – Mark DeFond shared the Vision Statements and led a discussion on the recommendation from the Publications Committee to approve Scott Showalter and Jeff Wilks as Co-Editors of *Accounting Horizons*.

MSC to support the recommendation from the Publications Committee of Scott Showalter and Jeff Wilks as Co-Editors of Accounting Horizons.

F. Upcoming Meetings and what’s next – Tracey Sutherland reported on upcoming meetings and discussed topics for those meetings. The Board was reminded that the Call for Nominations process would begin with the review of the Position Descriptions. There will be Publication Policies presented for approval at the next Board Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm.