

Reshaping NAACCR Committees

Q&A Session

Friday, May 10, 2013

Q: Can members participate in more than one committee /work group?

A: Absolutely. Over the years, many NAACCR members have participated in multiple committees/work groups, and we don't see that changing. The limiting factors are really the interests of the member and their own time limitations.

Q: Would each Steering Committee chair state who is on their committee.

A: Steering Committee rosters will be posted on a revamped section of the NAACCR website in the next few weeks. The lists will also be posted with the materials from the webinar.

Q: Is there an org chart that lists all of the entities down to the WG and TF level? Please provide the link. Thank you.

A: Excellent question. The SMP Implementation Work Group recognizes that an organization chart will be very helpful to illustrate what is happening. As we were able to see today, some groups are close to finalizing their new look and we expect the remainder to follow over the next several weeks. Once everything is finalized an organizational chart will be completed and shared with members. With the new structure, we expect the organization to change more frequently than previously, particularly for Task Forces. As we move forward, changes will be communicated via the Priority Area Networks on NetLink and posted on the website.

Q: You talked about communications from the SCs to the Community - what about the other way around - contact the SC Chair or Member(s) via PAN membership or ?? thank you.

A: Another great question and we have certainly been hearing from members over the last few months. There are several ways to get in contact with a Steering Committee. Chairs can be reached via email or phone; If you join a priority area network you will be able to post material/questions on the Netlink site; Every Steering Committee has both staff and Board members assigned to the group and they can be a starting point for any questions you might have. In addition, as the NAACCR website is updated in the coming weeks to better accommodate committee activity, we plan to set up a mechanism for submitting questions. If you have other ideas on how to keep everyone connected – let us know!

Q: Good point. Email and Netlink are good. We should look at social media feedback too.

A: This is a great idea! The Communications Steering Committee has identified increased use of Social Media as a priority for the organization. We can expect to see more focus in this area as we move forward.

Q: By Standing Rules, did Jill mean the By Laws? If so does the NAACCR membership still vote on the revisions? What happens if the changes do not get passed?

A: Standing Rules are different from the Bylaws. As noted in the question – any changes to NAACCR Bylaws must be voted on by the membership. The NAACCR Bylaws were updated at the 2012 Annual Business Meeting by a vote of the membership to reduce the number of ‘standing committees’ identified by name in Bylaws. As a result, the only remaining committee specified in the Bylaws is the Nominating Committee. Many organizations choose not to name all their committees in the Bylaws since any change then requires a Bylaws revision.

However, to ensure that there is oversight and organization to all committee activity, the NAACCR Bylaws have always required that all committees shall be named in the Standing Rules along with details on their composition, size and duties. Standing Rules are approved by the Board. With all the committee changes we are currently undertaking it will be necessary to update the existing Standing Rules in the coming months to ensure they represent our new model.