

Memo

To: NALP Board of Directors
 From: Beth Hansen, Chair of Experienced Professionals Section
 Re: NALP Experienced Professionals Quarterly Report, October 2012
 Date: October 2012

Summary of Work Groups, Vice Chairs and Status:

Work Group	Vice Chairs	Status
2013 Annual Education Conference Planning	Marguerite Durston Quarles & Brady	13 out of 18 proposals were accepted for the 2013 conference
2014 Annual Education Conference Planning		Need to select chair – will do in Dec/Jan
Writing Opportunities & Bulletin Article Planning	Mercedes Pino St. Thomas U School of Law Lynne Traverse Bryan Cave	In progress
Experienced Professionals and Newer Professionals Collaboration	Shannon Williams Carlton Fields Christina K. Fox Skadden Arps	In progress
Pathways to Leadership	Marty Grenhart Berkeley Jean A. Durling Fox Rothschild LLP	In progress
NALPconnect Workgroup	Phylis Myles Willamette University Law School	Not much activity, other than myself posting conference call information
Managing Your Own Professional Development	Kris Butler Holland & Knight Tina Metis Kelly Drye & Warren	In progress

An EP Section Conference Call was held on October 3, 2012.

The Writing Opportunities and the Pathways to Leadership Work Groups are working closely together on article topics and selecting authors. Bruce Elvin, Duke, has volunteered to author “Why Wait: Getting Involved in NALP and Taking on Leadership Roles.” It is tentatively planned for the December Bulletin, depending on space, and will be designed to encourage NALP members to become involved in the nominating process. The Writing Opportunities group is looking for an author for January for an article highlighting the Newer Professionals Conference faculty.

The Pathways to Leadership articles are in process:

Published in September Bulletin - Lynne Travers' interview with Bill Chamberlain

Published in October Bulletin - Debbie Cusumano Caldwell's interview with Diane Downs

To be published in the November Bulletin - Deb Ryerson's interview with Sandee Magliozzi

There is an “emerging leaders” article planned for spring, which will highlight several different individuals.

EP and NP Collaboration groups are . . . collaborating. Christina and Shannon have been in touch and had a conversation with NP Chair. Christina, Shannon and NP Liaison, Vicki Huebner, have had a conference call as well, to discuss strategy. EP Work Group is waiting for request for help with specific needs from the NP Section.

The Managing Your Own Professional Development Work Group has met and EP section members discussed possible topics for a webinar on the call, including:

Getting out of your rut

Getting the experience you need to be considered for upper management

Skills that will transfer to other industries

Kris Butler is going to post a call for topics and potential speakers on NALPconnect.

Additional issues:

I had several individuals on the call that were not work group leaders, which means they must have seen the notice on NALPconnect. Maybe we are making a tiny bit of progress. I posted the call announcement about three times, and starting about 6 weeks in advance.

A question raised on the conference call: At what stage should students decline callback interviews if they are not interested or have accepted an offer? Schools are telling students not to waste anyone's money if they really wouldn't take the offer, law firms on the call agreed. However, in actual practice, students are getting negative pushback when they do this.