

Memorandum

To: Jessica Sisco, NALP Board Liaison, Experienced Professionals Section
From: Natalie Quinn & Heather Spielmaker
Date: March 17, 2022
Re: NALP Experienced Professionals Section Quarterly Board Report

Summary

We held a vice-chair work group call on March 8. Our vice-chair call discussed reports and future plans for each work group. The leadership of the five EP work groups shared the status of various projects, including some listed below.

Work Groups

- **Annual Education Conference Planning / *Bulletin+* Article and Webinar Planning**
Vice-chairs: Hedy Aponte (Holland & Knight), Allen Howell (Samford University), and Mary Beth Walsh (Dykema)
 - This work group has continued the Book Club series, which has been very well attended. The new webinar series aims to help our colleagues stay on top of publications trending in our profession.
 - The third installment of the series was held on Friday, March 11. Allen Howell reviewed, “Atomic Habits: An Easy & Proven Way to Build Good Habits & Break Bad Ones.”
 - The final installment of the series will be held on Friday, April 15. Mary Beth Walsh will be summarizing, “Surrounded by Idiots: The Four Types of Human Behavior and How to Effectively Communicate with Each in Business (and in Life).”
- **Experienced Professionals/Newer Professionals Collaboration**
Vice-chairs: Lisa Feden (Ballard Spahr) and Elizabeth Granlund (UC Berkeley School of Law)
 - This work group has been working on a panel presentation they are preparing to host on Wednesday, April 20. The EP panelists will be discussing their various paths to leadership positions giving the newer professionals an “Insider’s Perspective”.
 - Our vice-chairs suggested changing this work group to have a mentorship focus that would guide newer professionals through their careers.
- **Knowledge Management**
Vice-chairs: Susanna Brennen (Miller Canfield) and Christine Whitehead (Goodwin Procter)

- This work group continues to search for a collection content for recruiters with a focus on materials for newer professionals.
- **Managing Your Own Professional Development**
Vice-chairs: Kendra Brodin (EsquireWell), Katie Ball (Ballard Spahr), Amy Mallow (Holland & Knight), and Dorianna Phillips (Lane Powell)
 - This work group held the last installment of their 3-part series, “Is it Worth It? Investing Wisely in Yourself and Your Career,” that the EP Professional Development Working Group co-coordinated with the Professional Development for the Professional Development and the Lawyer Career Coaching/Advising groups. The last installment was held on Tuesday, February 15 and it was titled, “And What Do You Do in Your ‘Spare’ Time? Meaningful Extra-Curriculars and Worthwhile Groups.”
 - They are also planning an additional webinar on Wednesday, April 27. The discussion will focus on setting (or re-setting) your own boundaries, addressing our own perspectives, and how to re-energize.
- **Member Relations**
Vice-chair: Robin Thorner (St. Mary’s University School of Law)
 - This work group held its final networking/brainstorming event on Monday, February 14. Approximately 15 section members joined breakout rooms to “share the love” and connect/re-connect with colleagues.