

MEMORANDUM

To: Rashida West, NALP Board Liaison, Public Service Section
From: Jasminder Deol and Jana Matthews, Public Service Section Co-Chairs
cc: NALP Office (reports@nalp.org)
Date: October 18, 2023
Re: Public Service Section – Second Quarter Report

I. 2023-24 Public Service Section Leadership

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Employer Relations	TBD

II. SECOND QUARTER SECTION MEETING

The second quarterly meeting for the 2023-34 year took place on October 11, 2023. Co-Chairs Jasminder Deol and Jana Matthews were unable to attend, so the meeting was facilitated by Chelsea-Leigh Flucus. Thirty-three members were in attendance, including Public Service Section (PSS) Board Liaison Rashida West.

The meeting began with an update from Well-Being Champion Teresa Schmiedeler. The section then hosted employer spotlights with [Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia](#) and [The Orange County Public Defender's Office](#). The PowerPoint presentation prepared by Irene Pai of the OCPD is now available in the PSJD Collaborative Files.

Section works groups then provided updates (detailed below) and the meeting closed with a discussion of our New Employer Relations Workgroup.

III. PSS WORK GROUP UPDATES

a. Annual Education Conference + Webinar Planning

All six proposals submitted with the endorsement of the Public Service Section for 2024 AEC were accepted. Section members are discussing whether to host any

webinars on other ideas that were presented, but not submitted as conference proposals.

b. PSJD Resource Development

Vice-Chairs have conferred with Sam and will post a list of the resources they plan to update in PSJD collaborative files.

c. LRAP Initiatives/CCRAA Developments

The Vice Chairs of the Work Group continue to serve as a resource for section members. Most recently, at the October 11 section meeting, Amanda Prasuhn reviewed the resumption of loan repayment and the selection of income drive repayment plans.

d. Pro Bono

The Vice Chairs of the Pro Bono Work Group are currently seeking additional volunteers.

e. Publications

No additional updates.

f. DEI Liaison

No additional updates.

g. Well-Being Champion

In addition to beginning the October 11 section meeting with a note on wellness, Teresa then distributed a wellness exercise to the section via NALP Connect.

h. Employer Relations

The section already has employer members who can serve as a resource to other public interest employers. Section membership includes employers who are experts in managing hiring processes and staff professional development and training. The section is discussing (1) adding employer members who already have expertise in recruiting, etc and (2) advertising the resources available within the section to other public interest employers.

If the agenda has not already been set for the Virtual Public Service Conference, I recommend a session related to recruiting, running a summer program, retention, or other employer-specific issues, coupled with encouragement to section members to

use their +1 to invite an employer. The section will also continue to explore the idea of hosting Public Interest Recruiting 101, modeled after Public Interest Advising 101.

IV. 2023-24 SECTION MEETINGS

All scheduled meetings have the same Zoom link:

<https://uci.zoom.us/j/97694623135?pwd=S3BidURNdVhpMnFXVis3cmk5ZytIQT09>

Future meeting dates are:

- January 24, 2024; 11am PST
- March 20, 2024; 11am PST