

**USI Romain College of Business
Accounting Circle Meeting Minutes
4:00 p.m., May 19, 2020 via Zoom**

Members Present: Derek Adams, Jo Burke, Michael Carroll, Bridgitte Danhauer, Carolyn Dearmond, Steve Mudd, Charlie Pride, Jr.

Members Absent: Amanda Bingemer, Richard Campbell, Mark Freeman, Mitch Happe, Kerry Jackson, Brant Kennedy, Mark Miles, Brad Minor, Roger Orth, Nikki Roser, Ashley Schultz, Rob Wedding, Connie Wellmeyer Lucas, Jeff Wilmes, Chris Wolking

Young Professionals Present: Anna Bullock, Kyle Hoeing, Paige McClellan, Emily Nurrenbern, Lauren Perigo, Jesse Reising, Kiersten Roberts, Kelsey Spillman, Celeste Tabor

Young Professionals Absent: Bryce Bullock, Tony Hiatt, Matt Mitchell, Jazmine Skelton, Jason Warford

Ex-officio Members Present: Cathy Carey, Brian McGuire

Faculty Present: Brett Bueltel, Manfen Chen, Tereesha Patterson, Jennifer Riester, Thomas Weber

Communications Associate Present: Darla Perigo

Guests Present:

Mudd called for the following reports for the Accounting Circle and Young Professionals activities:

Young Professionals- Kiersten Roberts asked for nominations for new members to the Young Professionals. There are several openings for members, but there is a limit of three per company. **Mudd** asked members to nominate individuals who would be a good fit. There was no fundraising event this year. They were unable to coordinate an event with Beta Alpha Psi in January, and the April event was canceled when campus closed due to the pandemic. They hope to hold an event in the fall soon after classes begin.

High School Day Case and Individual Competition- **Bridgitte Danhauer** reported that the committee has put together three proposals for the 2020 event: 1) Postpone the competition to spring; 2) Virtual submissions, an options that will require a lot of logistics to think through; 3) Skip the fall 2020 competition and resume it in fall 2021. USI Admissions is working on a fourth proposal. **Danhauer** said there is not necessarily a favored proposal or direction at this time. **Michael Carroll** suggested reconvening in July or August when there is more knowledge of what fall will look like on campus. **Brian McGuire** suggested repurposing an IMA case if it will speed along that part of the planning process. He was pleased to report that a High School Day scholarship winner is enrolled as an accounting major this fall. **Mudd** appreciates **Danhauer's** and **Amanda Bingemer's** contribution and how well done the competition is.

Extravaganza- **Derek Adams** reported **Anna Bullock** chaired the event. **Adams** thanked Circle members who participated. The students enjoy networking and learning about careers in the field of accounting. There is no date for the Extravaganza or the Accounting Circle fall meeting, which are held on the same date. The committee is waiting to see how gatherings are permitted on campus in the fall; therefore, Carter Hall is not reserved at this time. **Mudd** agreed that the Extravaganza went very well.

Merit Badge University- **Danhauer** said it was the second successful year with 18 Boy Scouts in attendance. Four completed their badge. She thanked **Tony Hiatt** and **Bingemer** for attending that day, as well as **Bryce Bullock** and **Celeste Tabor** for assisting prior to the event. They will pursue Merit Badge Ulen[(a)555.ent]TJ /Tj2 [(in)1ieTMc. a6u Tf

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