

BOARD REPORT



Northeast Region Board Meeting – April 11, 2010

DATE: April 6, 2010
TO: Northeast Region Board of Directors
FROM: Howard A. Levine, FCSI, CDT
SUBJECT: Report of Institute Director Northeast Region

A. Report Summary

Participated in Institute Nominating Committee web meetings. Participated in all monthly Institute Board Meeting webinars. Recently appointed to Institute Board Operations Committee and participated in joint Financial Planning Meeting with Finance and Board Operations Region Planning Recommendations.

B. The Report

I have been privileged to serve on the Institute Nominating Committee which was responsible for the excellent slate of candidates including our Region's own Scott Tobias who was elected as the Institute's first Director-at-Large and I look forward to working with Denis Lemieux who was elected as our region's new Institute Director. I am also a member of the Compensation Committee which reviews our Executive Director's performance and compensation. I have recently been appointed to the Institute's Board Operations Committee which will be meeting in Alexandria on April 19 & 20 along with the Finance Committee to prepare the FY 2011 Budget. Regionally, I have been working with Chairman Brian Neeley of the Boston Chapter and others on the Northeast Region Planning Committee.

1. Problem areas:

I would like to see more of an effort in the creation of a strong retention plan for membership. Some of the ideas mentioned in the MEMCOMM publication have merit and should be researched and, where appropriate,

implemented. Additionally, the concept of “corporate membership” has great appeal and I wholeheartedly support this concept.

With the amount of discussion generated regarding the “virtual chapter” concept and the ensuing Board vote authorizing same, I am disappointed that I have not seen nor heard much about this. At the time, the concept was touted by some as the saving grace of the future of CSI.

2. Success stories:

Although the concept of “the same people do all the work” and “we see the same faces at every meeting” still has credence, I have been pleased to see some new names and faces involved in Chapter/Region activities. Hopefully the commitments to the emerging professionals will continue to move us forward in this direction

3. Schedule of activities prior to next Board Meeting:

Will be attending FY 2011 Financial Planning Meeting in Alexandria, VA
April 19-20, 2010

Will be participating in upcoming Board webinars

Will be attending all upcoming Board meetings

Will be attending Convention

Will be participating in Compensation Review Committee

C. Suggestions for the benefit of the Region

1. Encourage new members to become involved in Chapter activities by offering/assigning a single task. This will start the “growth” chain which will ultimately lead to a greater pool of Region leaders

Respectfully submitted;

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