

Capital Area Society - State Society Report

Reporting Period: February 2016 - June 2016

The Capital Area Society has formed a reactivation committee which has been working on the activities listed below. We expect to move forward at a more accelerated rate now that we have additional prospective members working on the various areas of operation and concern.



Initial Governance Structure

- President: Carol Rentas (carentas@gwu.edu)
- President Elect: Marcia Firmani (firmanim@gwu.edu)
- Treasurer: Nurcan Basar: (nurcan@gwu.edu)
- Secretary: Cliff Cymrot: (cliffcymrot@gwu.edu)
- Society Advisor: Leon Headley (leonhead8@gmail.com)

Society Activity - February 2016 - May 2016

1. Capital Area Recruitment

We are gathering initial group members (5 - 10) in the next few weeks and will send an initial member roster (to include names and contact information) to:

- National office (i.e. Jim Flanigan).
- Region II office (i.e. Nadine Fydryszewski) - to add to regional mailing list.

2. Initial Tasks

- Bylaws - we have obtained a relatively current example of a state and should have the initial draft completed for review by July 1st.
- SOP – we have also obtained an excellent example of a state society SOP which were are using to draft our SOP; also to be completed by July 1st.
- Tax documents - we are locating the previous tax documentation.
- Funding – we are working on determining any previous funds available.
- Membership – we have been informally recruiting through word-of-mouth and will soon send out invitations via previous Capital Area rosters.
- Dues – we have informally discussed a pricing structure in which, during the initial reactivation of the society, there would be no fee for new members to encourage new membership and build our rosters.
- Society Community - an ASCLS community was set up to continue the reactivation efforts between scheduled meetings.
- Society Website - a Capital Area Society website is being developed to be launched directly after reactivation.

3. Meetings

- Ad Hoc meetings: the president and president elect have been meeting informally over the last months to review documents and move the reactivation forward expeditiously.
- Society Leadership meeting: was held with the full group on June 14th.
- Society meeting schedule: the first meeting of the full group will be in July. Although the society has not been yet reinstated, there has been some interest from local MLTs and MLS and this meeting will serve to update these prospective society members on the progress of reactivation.

4. Concerns and requests for action

- No specific concerns during the reporting period; however, we are certain there will be moving forward and will reach out to the Region II Director and ASCLS Executive Vice President for advice and direction.
- In addition, we appreciate the continued support from the Board of Directors as we move forward in earnest with a goal of Capital Area society reactivation this summer.