March 22, 2016

TO:        Fred Thrasher, NALP Deputy Director, Anna Whitener, NALP Board Liaison to the Experienced Professionals Section

FROM:  Katherine White, Experienced Professionals Section Chair

Re:         NALP Experienced Professionals Section Board Report

The Experienced Professionals Section will be led by the following Work Group Vice Chairs in 2015/16:

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**Quarterly Conference Calls:**
The fourth EP Section conference call of the 2015-2016 year was held on Monday, March 21, 2016.

**Work Group Reports:** The Experienced Professionals and Newer Professionals Collaboration Work Group has been continuing to provide speakers and ideas to the Newer Professionals Section for their “Ask the Expert” webinars. This has been a very successful collaboration for the Section. There were 3 webinars offered this year, and NALP EP Section members participated in 3 of the Newer Professionals Quarterly Calls talking about their careers, and experience with NALP.

**Ideas Discussed on Quarterly Call:**

A.  **Board Report**
Anna Whitener gave a brief report.
• Anna reported that the NALP Foundation has an opening for senior vice president.
• She also reported that the technology audit of NALP is about to be completed and that the findings will be very helpful in our development of strategic initiatives going forward.
• NALP has a new Canadian member, Lakehead University in Ontario.
• RFPs are now being solicited for the next version of OSCAR, the database for hiring judicial law clerks.
• It’s not too late to register for the Boston NALP Conference, however the conference hotel is booked.
• Members were encouraged to sign up to attend the June 10th Lateral Recruiting Summit, which will be held in Chicago
• And, the Board has proposed revisions to Part V of the Principles and Standards, Timing Guidelines, relating to first year law student hiring.
• Anna also reported that conference attendance numbers are up for the Boston conference, coming close to numbers for prior conference attendance record.

B. Presentation: Rachael Bosch gave a webcast presentation next, about easy to use digital tools available on-line and quick tips on electronic communications utilizing the Google drive and Microsoft tools functions. See this link for the full presentation, which is also posted on the EP Section Resources page: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1UkS1aJ3X0h34K8k6A-N4k_JyCGANFqPVjZPuzZdJ2kk/edit?ts=56f051d2#slide=id.g35f391192_00 Rachael’s presentation was great. Among the topics covered were the following. Members on the call had questions, and appreciated learning about this topic.
  • Photo Shop like applications – Pixlr and PicMonkey
  • Scheduling technology – Doodle, Timebridge, Need to Meet
  • Grammarly – helpful application you can add to your desktop to help with grammar
  • Microsoft tools to configure emails uniformly, snipping tool to copy specific images
  • Uses of Google drive functions

C. NALP Section Announcements: Anna reported the time and location of the EP Section lunch at the conference, which will be held on Thursday, April 14 at 12:15 PM this year. I reported about the NALP Registration table and called for volunteers from 2 to 6 PM, on Tuesday, April 12. The EP Section table at the NALP Open House will be staffed by Cindy Hasson and Lee Anne Massetti-Martin.