

March/April Report of the AMS Governance Committee

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Hello Council!

Sorry for the lack of a March report. Given that we are only meeting once in April, hopefully this double report will suffice. We are meeting one final time after this report is complete but other than that we are done for the year.

1 Completed Work

1.1 Contracts Code Changes

The Committee is recommending changes to how contracts are handled in Code. These changes will allow Sheldon and Keith to have more oversight over potential legal implications of contracts the AMS enters into while ensuring we are not overburdening them or slowing things down for our subsidiary organizations.

2 Ongoing Work

2.1 Changes to the Video Surveillance Policy

Hopefully by the time Council meets this will not be a work in progress and instead will be a completed item. We will be discussing a revised video surveillance policy at our meeting tomorrow.

2.2 Recommendations Arising from Council Discussions

Unfortunately, the Committee has not had time to discuss fully the feedback provided by Council about how to improve internal teamwork. However, I am heartened to see changes that do not require Code amendments already being made such as the interactive agenda on Google Drive. I will ensure that future

chairs and Councils have access to the feedback so that more can be done in the future.

2.3 Audit Procedures

On October 24, 2018, Council asked Governance Committee to “explore the creation of procedures providing the review of the Society’s annual financial statements and auditors report prior to the submission to the membership.” In March, the Committee discussed procedures and I met with several parties to come up with audit review policies. While things were fully settled we were leaning towards having the Advisory Board review the audit and to have the executive summary of the report be presented to Council. More should be done on this item this summer so that these procedures are in place by the end of the 2019 audit.

Thank you to everyone one the committee for all their hard work this year!

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