

Office or Committee Name: President Elect Program Chair

Officer or Chairperson Name: Corey Ransom

**Date of Preparation (include year):** 

## **Activities during the year:**

A joint call with WSWS and WSSA for symposia was drafted and sent to WSWS membership on April 23. Eleven symposia proposals were submitted and were reviewed by a committee of WSWS and WSSA board members. Five symposia were selected for the 2020 meeting.

Input was gathered from project chairs regarding combining of like sessions of WSWS and WSSA and potential flexibility in the length of discussion sessions.

William Curran (WSSA Program Chair) is working on a potential speaker for the General Session, and there is still opportunity for input into those who will participate. Bill and I will meet prior to the board meeting to discuss the arrangement of the program to make sure we preserve the important annual meeting functions and activities of both societies. The larger challenge will be getting everything to fit into the available meeting time once papers have been submitted. An initial call for papers will go out shortly after the summer board meeting.

An invitation has been extended for a Member-at-Large Public Sector and I am awaiting confirmation that the individual is able to serve.

## **Recommendations for Board Action:** list any proposed actions here.

1. Any input into the format of the joint meeting including suggestions for the general session (should both President speak?).

**Budget Needs:** any requested funds (and brief justification if not clear from above) should be provided here.

Funding per our agreement with WSSA will come from the meeting registrations and expenses to the WSWS will be determined after the income and expenses are calculated.

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