

Management Practices Committee

ACEC STRATEGIC PLAN: Six strategic goals under the plan are:

1. Become recognized by all engineering companies in the United States as their legislative advocate for the promotion and protection of their business interests
2. Become recognized by all engineering companies in the United States as their primary resource on business practices
3. Become recognized by all stakeholders in the built environment as the national voice of the engineering industry
4. Grow ACEC/PAC to a \$1 million-per-year PAC by 2006
5. Grow the Minuteman Fund to \$1 million by 2006
6. Double overall membership and recruit 90% of ENR's Top 500 Design Firms as ACEC members by 2010

PURPOSE:

2005-2006 GOALS

General Management

1. Evaluate effectiveness of current committee structure with respect to its assigned mission.
2. Support the Institute for Business Management Committee's efforts to expand the business forums.
3. Examine and draft new policy statements, as needed.
4. Provide assistance to the Institute of Business Management's efforts to deliver its project delivery series publications.
5. Promote information dissemination about procurement methodologies with a focus on qualifications-based approaches.
6. Review the final paper of the Trusted Advisor Task Force and take whatever action may be appropriate.

Procurement and Delivery Systems

1. Develop model legislation for states on project delivery.
2. Complete and publish the Construction Management module in the Project Delivery Handbook series.
3. Recommend policies on project delivery, and electronic deliverables to clients.

QBS

1. Seek full funding for the QBS grant program.
2. Identify additional vehicles to continue promotion of QBS to member firms and public owners.

Associated Partners

1. Continue liaison to APWA and AGC and support joint initiatives, including:
 - a. Update APWA “red book” Guide to Consultant Selection; and
 - b. Complete online course in “enlightened risk management” for owners and contractors.
2. Establish better agenda for coordination with APWA and AGC.
3. Continue to progress with risk management video.

Quality

1. Develop, promote and enhance educational programs and publications to help firms achieve superior quality management practices.
2. Provide guidance on issues relating to quality management systems.
3. On ongoing basis, review and update, if appropriate, ACEC’s Position Statements pertaining to Quality – especially Quality Certifications.

Human Resources

1. Develop, promote and enhance educational programs and publications to help firms deal with HR issues.

Information Technology

1. Develop, promote and enhance educational programs and publications to help firms make the best use of technology.
2. Provide guidance on issues related to security, knowledge management, electronic signatures, legal exposure related to e-mail communications.

Risk Management

1. Conduct annual survey (with AIA, NSPE) of professional liability companies.
2. Review status of ACEC Liability Survey and recommend changes, if needed.
3. Work with Risk Management Committee to preserve the “standard of care” as the legal standard to which engineers should be held.
4. Provide practical guidance (publications, educational sessions) to firms on how to apply the EJCDC contract forms as a basis for contracts – the “management” part of “risk management.”

PROGRESS REPORTS:

The Committee shall make quarterly reports to the Chairman (copied to the President) on progress made in achieving Committee goals.

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