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President's Message

Greg Little



I am honored to be your Washington Chapter President for the 2022-2023 term! I am excited to work with you to leverage the fantastic ASMC community to execute the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense Comptroller's Financial Management (FM) strategy. I encourage everyone to read the strategy on the Comptroller's website. Underpinning this strategy is a call to action across our entire DoD FM Community to unify around essential enterprise-wide priorities that support Defense mission success. To execute this strategy, we need to think about the financial manager of the future and what skills we should focus on as a community. ASMC's mission of growth and enhancement makes it a perfect organization to accelerate DoD's movement towards developing the financial manager of the future.

So how should we think about the financial manager of the future? The financial manager of the future must evolve to meet the emerging needs of our stakeholders, both internal and external, and must lead by example in business transformation and reform. Imagine a world where transactional business processes are automated, real-time data is available at your fingertips, and because internal controls are well established and automated, reviewing financial and performance results is a discussion rather than a fact-checking exercise. Executives review planned versus executed results using real-time data on mobile devices. Regular performance management review discussions are led by checking interactive dashboards and a common enterprise-wide framework for success criteria. FM has a seat at the table to support decision-making from the perspective of financial health and success and actively drives decisions by providing scenario and tradeoff analyses using common enterprise data. FM embraces a culture of prudent risk-taking and agility to meet the demands of business partners and provides insights at the speed of relevance. FM ultimately guides decision-makers to conclusions that result in business and operational efficiencies, driving faster achievement of mission objectives. This environment may sound like some ways off, but DoD is closer to this reality than may meet the eye. Our people are making this vision possible today, and the ASMC community can make this vision a reality faster.

So how do we leverage the most significant ASMC chapter to help the DoD community? I think three things:

1. Expand our education opportunities: We must create the best training available. We need to expand our training beyond traditional FM. For example, we need to enhance our skills in performance management, data analytics, robotics process automation, problem-solving, cloud, artificial intelligence, and security.
2. Strengthen our community: It was challenging due to the pandemic to establish our community's fantastic comradery. We have to strengthen the power of our community network. We need to increase our participation in education, networking, and mentoring opportunities internal and external to FM.
3. Invest in the next generation: I am excited about the young careerist program. This program is an area we need to invest in and grow. ASMC has an opportunity to mentor and build the next generation of financial managers.

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I am looking forward to the year ahead and hope to see you or hear from you and hope you will mark your calendar for the next event! Get involved, make a difference, and help us make the Washington Chapter the best it can be. And don't forget – your investment in this community matters!

Sincerely,

Greg

Mr. Gregory Little was appointed the Deputy Comptroller for Enterprise Data and Business Performance (EDBP), in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) (OUSD(C)) in January 2021. In this role, he serves as an advisor to the USD(C), DoD's Principal Staff Assistants and Deputy Secretary of Defense. He is responsible for advancing the National Defense Strategy by leading and championing the evolution of the DoD's performance management strategy through collaboration with DoD leaders in the use data to evaluate efforts, digital transformation, and improved performance across the Defense Agencies/Field Activities as well as the DoD's Working Capital Fund.

Upcoming Events

Date / Time	Upcoming Events / Sponsor / Speaker / CPEs	Location
28 July 22/0800	ASMC/AGA Annual Golf Tournament	Ft Belvoir Golf Course
18 Aug 22/1200-1300	Chapter Luncheon Meeting / USAF / MGen Mike Greiner / 1 CPE	Virtual
15 Sep 22/1200-1300	Chapter Luncheon Meeting / USMC / TBD / 1 CPE	Virtual
20 Oct 22/1200-1300	Chapter Luncheon Meeting / USCG / LCDR Sanchez / 1 CPE	Virtual
17 Nov 22/1200-1300	Chapter Luncheon Meeting / DoD / TBD / 1 CPE	Virtual
8 Dec 22/1800-2100	ASMC Washington Chapter Holiday Social	Army-Navy CC
17 Dec 22/TBD	Community Service Event - Wreath-laying	Arlington National Cemetery
9 Mar 23/0800-1700	NCR PDI	TBD



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Featured Article



COAST GUARD NAVIGATES CHALLENGES OF NEW FINANCIAL SYSTEM

By: LCDR Mark M. Sanchez, CDFM-A

It's often said that getting uncomfortable and stepping outside of your comfort zone will inevitably make you stronger and more resilient. The reason being that you are able to identify shortcomings and weaknesses not otherwise seen that can help you be better than you were before. Following its transition to a new financial management system in December 2021, the Coast Guard continues to identify areas for improvement not only

with the software, but with key business processes that execute various transactions. While transition to a new financial system has been cumbersome, each challenge has presented an opportunity for the service to make corrections and move forward in a positive direction. Throughout its 231 year history, the Coast Guard has been a consistent responder to natural disasters such as hurricanes and floods, as well as an asset during foreign conflicts. Often times, these responses have been executed with scarce financial resources. Year after year, Coast Guard financial managers do an outstanding job making adjustments, identifying savings, and ensuring that resources are directed in a way that helps ensure mission requirements are being met. In an effort to modernize how the service manages its funding, the Coast Guard went live on a Department of Homeland Security hosted, commercial off-the-shelf solution using Oracle Federal Financials Enterprise Business Suite. The software suite is called "Financial Systems Modernization Solution" and it is also referred to as FSMS.

Transition to FSMS was not as simple as flipping a switch. In fact, the Coast Guard anticipated, planned, and executed a shutdown of the Service's legacy accounting system on September 30, 2021. At that time, the Coast Guard projected that the data migration to the new system would take approximately six weeks, with a "go-live" date for the new system of November 17, 2021. However, unexpected challenges with non-standard data and complex federal financial reporting system requirements hindered the Service's ability to bring the system online as scheduled. The new system came online on December 17, 2021, resulting in a significant invoice backlog following the 78-day period without a standard payment system. This created an inability to make a majority of payments for nearly 4 months and accumulated a backlog of almost 30,000 invoices.

In response, Coast Guard leadership took immediate action to address this and other critical system shortcomings through the creation of an FSMS Transition Incident Command that surged 242 personnel to help facilitate vendor payments, reimbursement of member travel orders, and the implementation of new system procedures. Since this time, the Coast Guard has successfully reduced the number of outstanding invoices by 70%, cleared 90% of the travel reimbursements backlog, and delivered training to 3,700 members on how to use the newly created Procurement Requisition Expedited Service System or PRESS for a more streamlined and efficient process for obtaining goods and services. As additional personnel are trained and technical issues addressed, the Coast Guard expects to clear all outstanding payments prior to the end of the fiscal year.

Along with its historic financial system transformation, the Coast Guard also made history this year when Admiral Linda L. Fagan was sworn-in as the 27th Commandant of the Coast Guard on June 1, 2022. As the first female Commandant and leader of a U.S. military branch, Admiral Fagan has made clear that getting FSMS right remains a priority under her leadership. The many priorities outlined in the Commandant's Intent underscores the need for a fully functioning FSMS that provides a positive user experience.

While much work remains to be done, the Coast Guard has made significant progress from where it began. A credit to the hard work and dedication of Coast Guard personnel who have helped to oversee the transition from a legacy collection of 13 separate financial systems to one. And while this generational transition has at times provided frustration and setbacks, it has also paved the way for system improvements such as PRESS. With each passing day the Coast Guard is steadily creating a more efficient and effective financial management system that is gradually enhancing its ability to be Semper Paratus!

LCDR Mark Sanchez currently serves as Program Funds Manager in the Office of Programming, Budgeting, and Execution COMDT (CG-9282) at Coast Guard Headquarters. He is also a member of the American Society of Military Comptrollers Washington, DC Chapter Executive Board where he serves as Coast Guard Vice President.



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The Defense Resources Management Institute (DRMI)

Goal #1 in the recently unveiled Department of Defense FM Strategy is *“to cultivate a skilled and inspired FM workforce.”* In support of that goal, the DRMI is an educational institution sponsored and supervised by the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) and located on the campus of the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) in Monterey, California. The DRMI provides integrated, professional education in financial and resources management to military and civilian personnel involved in resource allocation and management functions.

As Dr. Natalie Webb, the DRMI’s Executive Director, explains, “As a participant in our courses, you will **learn**:

- **How to think better** about strategy to resources and budget decisions in defense using financial management, analytical, decision analysis, and business concepts and tools, and
- **How to work more effectively** within processes and effect change in policy and process.”



The DRMI's programs enhance the efficient and effective allocation of scarce resources in today's defense organizations by developing course participants' analytical decision-making skills. Participants do not focus on learning detailed job-specific skills but rather on the concepts, techniques, and issues that pervade resources management decision making in most mid-management through executive-level positions. To accomplish this, the DRMI provides a dynamic learning environment featuring interactive lectures on concepts from economics, management, and quantitative reasoning; facilitated small group discussions; and real-world case studies.

Major General Mike Greiner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Budget, summarizes, *“Simply put, DRMI is a national treasure. The education they offer enables a highly-skilled workforce delivering data-driven actionable decision support to leaders at all levels of the Department of Defense.”*

The faculty of the DRMI – a combination of civilians and military officers, including career academics and seasoned practitioners - are members of the NPS faculty specifically assigned to the DRMI for the purposes of providing graduate-level expertise in the associated academic disciplines. The DRMI's programs bring together mid- to senior-level managers, military officers of grades O-3 through O-6, and defense civilians of grades GS-09 through GS-15, or equivalent. Once a year, flag and general rank military officers and equivalent defense civilians only attend the Senior International Defense Management Course.

In that regard, our curriculum is for:

- **Interns and journeymen:** Provides first view of big picture and range of issues and tools involved in defense resourcing.
- **Experts:** Provides an “out of your stovepipe” view to see where your expertise fits in the big picture. Exposes you to cross service / functional challenges, views, and solutions.
- **Senior leaders / New leaders:** Broadens your strategic view and often provides first foray into resources management for leaders outside the FM / RM community. Provides exposure to new / updated issues and methods useful to resources managers and leaders at all levels.

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Our courses for US participants are offered in a “short-course” format of 2-weeks or 4-weeks, depending on content. A sample of upcoming courses include:

- **Defense Resources Management Course (DRMC); 4 weeks:**

- Participants will understand the long-term implications of today’s decisions and will be able to recognize and evaluate competing alternatives at both the strategic and operational levels of defense organizations. Specifically in terms of costs, effectiveness, availability, and risks.
- To build this assessment capability and framework, faculty integrate concepts, principles, and techniques drawn from the disciplines of management, economics, and quantitative methods.
- Can be taken in two, two week increments up to two years apart.
 - Next scheduled: 28 Aug - 23 Sep 2022

- **Data Analytics for Financial and Resources Management:**

- Participants evaluate models and data to answer a variety of defense resources management questions, understand how models are used to predict outcomes, and become better communicators of the results of analysis to decision makers.
 - Next Scheduled: 4-6 December 2022

- **Introduction to Budgeting Concepts (IBC) Course; 2 weeks:**

- Participants develop an understanding of public budgeting best practices, how the execution phase of a resources management system should link to strategic plans, and actions and outputs required to successfully formulate, execute, and evaluate budgets.
 - Next scheduled: 5-17 March 2023

- **Human Capital Resource Management; 2 weeks:**

- Participants develop an understanding of the unique role that manpower plays in defense resources management and learn how to use analytical models, derive a force structure, and design personnel policies from recruitment through retirement to achieve strategic objectives.
 - Next scheduled: 15 - 27 Jan 2023

- **Multiple Criteria Decision-Making Course (MCDMC); 2 weeks:**

- Develops a quantitative approach to support decision making by managers in defense organizations involving many organizational objectives
 - Next Scheduled: 23 Oct - 4 Nov 2022

- **Risk Management Course; 2 weeks:**

- Participants learn to define risk, acquire skills to assess risk, develop an understanding of basic risk management techniques, and apply risk assessment and management in several areas of defense resources management.
 - Next Scheduled: 6 - 18 Nov 2022

- **Performance Management and Budgeting Course; 2 weeks:**

- Participants develop a foundation for performance management and budgeting working to construct top-level goals and performance targets, and to develop performance hierarchies with measurable performance indicators, and to learn about differences in supporting budgeting and accounting systems, and their roles in driving performance-based outcomes.
 - Next Scheduled: 19 Feb - 3 Mar 2023

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The DRMI's courses are offered in-residence in Monterey, virtually (with sufficient demand), and can be tailored and offered at your command. In addition, the DRMI is contributing to a defense financial management webinar series for the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) as part of the monthly fmVisionExchange Program. Join us for upcoming presentations on Data Analytics and Performance Management, and earn CETs towards DFMCP certification. To register, go to <https://nps.edu/web/drmi/ousd-c-virtual-brown-bags1>

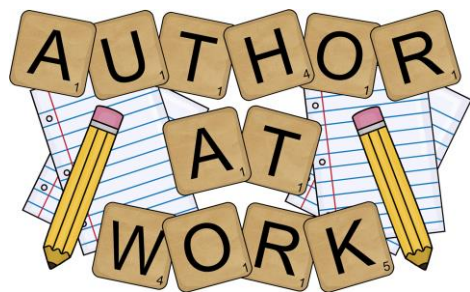
To learn more about the DRMI and to find course schedules through FY24, visit our website: <https://www.nps.edu/drmi> The faculty and staff of the DRMI look forward to seeing you in Monterey or online!



Data Analytics for Financial and Resources Management Course

The DRMI welcomed 13 participants from the U.S. and three partner nations (Poland, Serbia, and the United Kingdom) to the resident Data Analytics for Financial and Resources Management Course on 6 March 2022. Additionally, ten participants from the United States took this course virtually via distance learning. This two-week course graduated on 18 March 2022.

Lt Col Michael Kwasnoski is a career financial management officer serving as the United States Air Force lecturer at the Defense Resources Management Institute in Monterey, California.



If you would like to write an article for the ASMC Washington Chapter newsletter, please contact your Service representative or the [newsletter editor](#).



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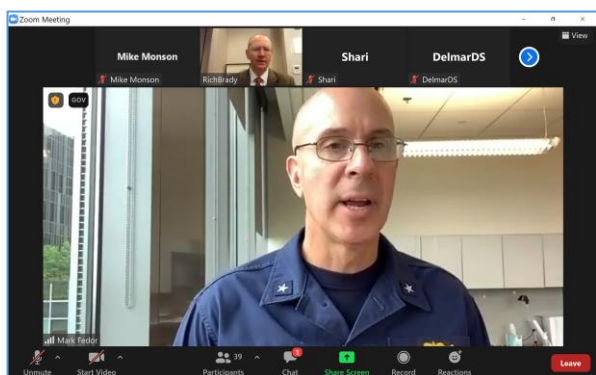
June 2022 Meeting Recap

Topic: *New Officer Inductions*

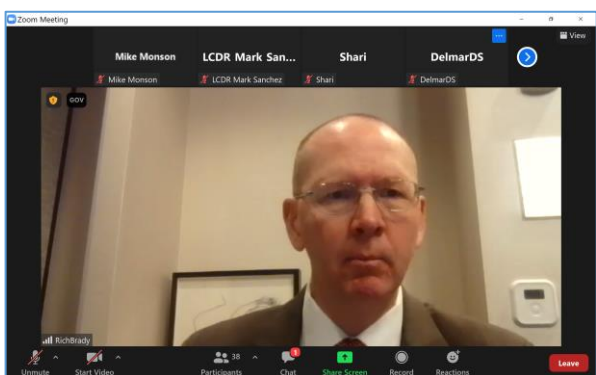
Time: *12:00 pm – 13:00 pm*

Date: *Thursday, 16 June 2022*

Location: *Virtual Luncheon via Zoom for Government*



Our June meeting focused on the annual Induction of Officers for the Washington Chapter. Our outgoing Washington Chapter ASMC President, RDML Mark Fedor, kicked us off and concluded the meeting. Ms. Deb Delmar facilitated the majority of the meeting once ASMC National's CEO Mr. Rich Brady executed the swearing in of newly elected chapter members and remarks from the national perspective. Some of Mr. Brady's remarks included focus on association and organization challenges across the board like revenue, certifications, membership, pent up demand for in person events, and more. He also elaborated on the outlook and plans for various national level conferences, summits, roundtables, education and certification opportunities, thought leadership, a new PPBE task force, surveys, and the need for us all to increase our volunteers and recruitment.



Incoming Washing Chapter President Mr. Greg Little also spoke briefly to share what his focus is for his period as president and what we may anticipate moving forward. Mr. Little's thoughts spanned the present and future spectrum of focus with emphasis on a feeling and actuality of 'community' in our chapter, early careerists and the group's programs, and his excitement about working together as well as appreciation for the work thus far. Then, the meeting transitioned to a round robin style "get to know the new vice presidents" for those we had on the meeting lines to share when they joined ASMC, prior positions with the chapter, plans for their time in their new roles, and other pertinent items of interest for the group. Ms. Jane Roberts, our new chapter secretary launched into the increasingly full list of offerings the chapter has coming up, which are also posted on our website. Many events are rapidly approaching so please check and sign up without forgetting to share – luncheons, happy hours, golf tournament, training, and more! No slides were used as attendees took turns appearing on camera and audio. Extended dialogue about various topics (social media, in person events, opinion and fact sharing, etc.) of interest took the group to the end where RDML Fedor shared his closing remarks and farewells to the group, national, and others.

Please register for the next meeting at WWW.WASHINGTON-ASMC.ORG or contact your Service Secretary



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August 2022 Meeting



- Speaker:** ***Major General Michael Greiner,***
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget, Office of the
Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Financial
Management & Comptroller
- Time:** ***12:00 pm – 13:00 pm***
- Date:** ***Thursday, 18 August 2022***
- Location:** ***Virtual Luncheon via Zoom for Government***

Maj. Gen. Michael A. Greiner is Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Financial Management and Comptroller, the Pentagon, Arlington, Virginia. Brig. Gen. Greiner is responsible for planning and directing the formulation and execution of the Department of the Air Force's budgets totaling more than \$194 billion annually. He leads a staff of military and civilian financial managers who develop, integrate, justify and defend Department of the Air Force resource requests to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Office of Management and Budget, and Congress. He manages and executes funding that supports military operations and Department priorities at the direction of the Secretary of Defense and Congress.

Maj. Gen. Greiner received his commission from the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the University of Portland as a distinguished graduate. He is also a distinguished graduate of the Air Force Institute of Technology. He has served in operations Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, Unified Response and Freedom's Sentinel.

Prior to his current assignment, the general was the Comptroller, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

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ASMC & AGA Annual Golf Tournament 28 July 2022

Ft. Belvoir Golf Club

We have both the Woodlawn and Gunston Courses

The event begins with a *shotgun start at 0800* and concludes with a catered lunch at the clubhouse.
The format is Captain's Choice (Scramble).

ENTRY FEES: (includes catered lunch, cart, greens fee & prizes)

Individual Golfer Registration:

\$50 for current government/Military Personnel
\$110 for Corporate/Retiree participants.

Foursome Golfer Registration:

ALL Current Government/Military: \$180
ALL Corporate/Retiree: \$400

2022 Tournament Online Registration link:

[ASMC / AGA 2022 Annual Golf Tournament \(rhq.com\)](http://www.washington-asmc.org)

This event is organized by the ASMC/AGA Washington Chapters:

<http://www.washington-asmc.org>

[AGA Washington DC Chapter \(agacgm.org\)](http://www.agacgm.org)

For event or sponsorship information, please contact:

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ASMC & AGA Annual Golf Tournament & Food Drive! **28 July 2022**

Ft. Belvoir Golf Club

Bring canned goods and non-perishables for donation at the
Golf Tournament which support the Capital Area Food Bank!



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Early Careerist News

The **Washington Chapter Early Careerists** held our first in person **happy hour** of the summer in June at RxR in Crystal City! The event was well attended and everyone was thrilled to be socializing in person again. If you are interested in attending upcoming events, here are some other events on the horizon:

- The annual ASMC/AGA golf tournament is on July 28 at Fort Belvoir Golf Club. Early Careerists can register at a discounted rate so please sign up for a fun day of golf! The flyer for the tournament is included in this newsletter.
- We are in the process of organizing an end of summer Washington Nationals baseball game social for September. More details to follow on that.



Calling All ASMC Early Careerists

ELIGIBILITY:

Anyone with less than ten years of experience in their current profession may join.

Why You Should Join:

As a future government or industry leader in Defense or US Coast Guard FM, ensure your training needs are met with:

- ❖ Social and Networking Events with other Early Careerists, as well as Senior Leaders
- ❖ The opportunity to correspond and collaborate with a Senior Mentor/Coach
- ❖ Cost-effective training and education to obtain CPEs and highly valued Certified Defense Financial Manager test-based credential
- ❖ In-person ASMC Monthly Luncheons at a discounted rate (when they resume)
- ❖ An active community of cohorts within the ASMC National Engage Platform - Early Careerist Forum (details to follow)

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Cody Ferguson is a Staff Accountant and Executive Analytics Portfolio lead on the Advana program with 6 years of experience working in DoD. He started his career in DoD as a Trainee in the DON's FM Career Program before moving to the DON Budget Office and ultimately OUSD(C) after completing his Master's Degree in Forensic Accounting.

Matt Ledder, Vice Chairman of Early Careerists
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Matt Ledder is a Financial Consultant/System Engineer at Black Diamond Advisory.

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MINI-COURSE (15500)

Cost-Benefit Analysis

This mini-course will introduce cost-benefit analysis and how it is used to support
need to... improving efficiency.

DoD Certification Level 2
COMPETENCY: Financial Management Analysis – 2.5 hrs (PL3)

April 22, 2021

• AM SESSION 8:30-11:30 AM
• PM SESSION 12:30-3:30 PM

Register by April 9, 2021

for ASMC Members!

For upcoming training opportunities!

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ASMC Value Proposition

ASMC supports	A global community of defense financial managers, military comptrollers, and corporate members
Who need	Convenient, affordable, and collaborative opportunities for leadership and education that further enable the support of warfighters, the National Military Strategy, and the overall federal financial management (FM) profession, while enhancing their career development
By providing	Educational materials, training courses, the Certified Defense Financial Manager (CDFM) certification; leadership opportunities at National and Chapter levels, opportunities to enhance communication skills and contribute to the federal FM body of knowledge; and in-person and virtual access to a global network of peers, and a knowledgeable and customer service-oriented staff
As a result	Financial managers who are members or certificants of ASMC are equipped with the latest innovations, industry knowledge, and best practices; possess a broader understanding of defense FM policies and operations; and differentiate themselves as highly qualified candidates for positions within the DoD, the United States Coast Guard, other federal agencies, and the private sector
Because of	ASMC's status as a premier defense financial management education provider, it is recognized as a prestigious organization for leaders and other individuals serving in or supporting the defense FM community
Unlike	Competitive membership organizations or educational programs that provide products and services to the financial management profession but do not offer ASMC's unique specialization in military comptrollership



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Alexandria, VA (June 28, 2022) –The American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC) has announced the initial members of the PPBE Reform Task Force.

The PPBE Reform Task Force is responsible for increasing awareness and fostering public discussion on PPBE reform in the Department of Defense. Operating in parallel with the Legislative Commission on PPBE Reform, the Task Force will work to define a set of fundamental principles and policy actions to reimagine PPBE to meet the needs of the Executive Branch, the Legislative Branch, and industry in the 21st century. The Task Force members are:

- Michael Conlin (Chair) – Definitive Logic Corporation
- Charles Cook – Government & Public Services, Deloitte
- Lasheeco Graham - Assistant Administrator for Budget, FEMA
- Honorable Tom Harker – Former Assistant Secretary of the Navy (FM&C), Acting Under Secretary of Defense Comptroller/CFO, and Acting Secretary of the Navy
- Cameron Holt, Holt Consulting Group LLC
- George E. Kovatch, Kovatch Advisors, LLC, Former Deputy Comptroller, DoD
- Robert “Mike” Maxwell – Department of the Army (Retired SES), Former VP, SAIC
- Jim Palmisano - Regional Vice President, Oracle
- Dr. Michael A. Parker - VP, Salesforce, USMC (Retired)
- Vance Stewart - Department of the Army (Retired)
- Vice Admiral Pat Tracey – U.S. Navy (Retired)
- Lieutenant Colonel Neville Welch - USMC (Retired), Independent Consultant, EOP Foundation

These experienced members of the Task Force possess a balance of perspectives and backgrounds related to financial management, strategic planning, procurement and acquisition management, change management, information technology, and data science in government and the private sector.

“The work of the Task Force is critical to improving the resource allocation process in the Department of Defense to meet the needs of government, taxpayers, and warfighters.” Rich Brady, CEO ASMC and PPBE Reform Task Force sponsor.

“We have a once-in-a-career opportunity to help the DoD lift its game in great power competition.” Michael Conlin, CTO Definitive Logic, Task Force Chair

The initial meeting of the Task Force took place on July 7, 2022, at ASMC headquarters in Alexandria, VA.

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ASMC offers the Certified Defense Financial Manager (CDFM) educational program and certification designation to those persons desiring to demonstrate proficiency in the core aspects of Defense Financial Management.



For more information, visit: <http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-information/>

Congratulations to our newest Washington Chapter CDFMs!

Mary Altizer
Juliet Buabeng
Molly Carnes
Seth Carter
Henoch Gassner
Yusen Guo

Raymond Hosse
Emily Irish
Stefan Lewis
Tomeka Murphy
Arielle Swartz

While most candidates in the CDFM program are civilian or military/reserve members of the Department of Defense, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Army, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps or employees of defense contractors or suppliers, the CDFM program is open to all candidates who have a high school diploma (or equivalent) and meet the following work experience qualifications:

Have the required number of years of defense-related financial management experience outlined below:

- **Two (2) years if you hold an Associate's degree or higher;** or
- **Three (3) years if you do not have a degree.**

OR

Do not have defense-related financial management experience, but can meet the following criteria outlined below:

- **Four (4) years of Federal government-related financial management experience;** and
- **An Associate's degree or higher.**

There are three steps involved with earning your CDFM:

1. Enroll in the CDFM Program. Your enrollment is valid for two (2) years, during which time you must take, and successfully pass, the three CDFM module examinations.

2. Submit Your Verification of Financial Management Experience Form. This form, which must be signed by a supervisor who can verify your work experience, must be returned to ASMC after enrolling in the CDFM program. You do not have to submit this form prior to taking a CDFM examination, but it is required prior to the awarding of the CDFM designation.

3. Purchase and Schedule the CDFM Examinations. Be sure to carefully – and completely – read the criteria associated with each testing option for the CDFM examinations. Failure to do so can result in the purchase of the wrong CDFM examination and/or the inability to test at your preferred location



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