

2023-24 PUBLICATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHARTER



Purpose:

The fundamental purpose of the Publications Advisory Committee (the “Committee”) is to assist in maintaining the high standards of *CFMA Building Profits* article content and advertising, as well as the usage of CFMA BP Online – the electronic version of our award-winning magazine.

Operations:

The Committee will have periodically, at a minimum, four conference call meetings during the fiscal year. The schedule of these calls will be determined by the Committee Chair and Vice Chair. Materials are to be provided three business days prior to any meeting. Minutes documenting the discussions, decisions made, and actions taken during the meeting will be produced and distributed within ten business days. During meetings of the Committee, a majority of the members of the Committee at the time of the meeting shall constitute a quorum. A quorum needs to be established for a vote of any questions brought to the Committee and must be affirmed by a simple majority of those present to be approved. At all meetings of the Committee, either the Chair or Staff Co-Chair, if present, shall act as Chair. In their absence, the Vice Chair shall act as Chair.

Subcommittees of this Committee may be formed for the purpose of carrying out specific ongoing responsibilities of the Committee. Subcommittees are governed by this charter and will be populated with Committee members and other stakeholders, subject to Committee approval. Subcommittees will make periodic reports to the Committee including any new issues raised for consideration by the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee(s) for this Committee and their purposes are listed below.

Subcommittees of the Publications Advisory Committee are:

- **None.**

The Committee Chair and Vice Chair may form task forces as needed. Task Forces are temporary stakeholder groups that address specific non-routine issues or other duties that align with the overall Committee charges.

Task Forces are governed by this charter and will be populated with Committee members and other stakeholders, subject to Committee approval. Task Forces are disbanded upon completion of the specific work activity or converted to Subcommittees if it is determined that they should become a permanent part of the Committee. Task Forces are required to have a purpose statement and defined timeframe.

Charges:

- Perform third-party reviews for *CFMA Building Profits* articles, as needed.
- Evaluate and recommend article topics and authors, as needed.
- Assist in determining suitability of ads, as needed.
- Assist in the development and analysis of readership surveys.
- Stay informed about hot topics via members who serve on other CFMA committees.

Committee Population and Terms:

The Publications Advisory Committee is populated by a mix of previous and potential authors as well as members who have an interest in this function for CFMA. Committee members will have experience in areas that align with content in the magazine (e.g., accounting, taxation, cash management, risk management, legal issues, and technology).

Membership on the Committee is open by Committee invitation to any CFMA member in good standing and, upon selection or appointment thereto, said member shall serve at the pleasure of the Executive Committee. As the Committee's needs in terms of expertise, connections, demographics, and intrinsic qualities are not static, upon recommendation, term limits may be enacted to ensure that new energy, perspectives, ideas and diversity are in place to allow the Committee to continue to grow and flourish. It may be deemed appropriate or necessary to limit the size of the Committee, and any such action regarding Committee size is at the sole discretion of the Committee Chair, the Vice Chair and the Staff Co-Chair.

Committee members are required to attend at least half of the Committee meetings to retain membership on the Committee. Any member failing to meet this requirement may be removed from the Committee at the discretion of an affirmative vote of the Committee Chair, Vice Chair and Staff Co-Chair. Signed and returned Committee affirmations will confirm member participation each year.

The Committee Chair and Vice Chair are appointed to one-year terms with a maximum of two consecutive terms by CFMA's Executive Chair, acting upon leadership recommendations and referrals made by the current Committee leadership. The appointed Chair preferably should have served previously as Vice Chair of the Committee. The appointed Vice Chair preferably should have served at least one year as a Committee member.

The Committee will annually review its composition metrics to ensure compliance with metric guidelines. CFMA will provide these metrics for review by the Committee leadership and their Executive Liaison on an annual basis.

- The recommended annual new member percentage should be between 15-20%.
- The percentage of General and Associate members should be reviewed annually to ensure it aligns with the needs to the committee.
- The overall committee service year average should be between 3 and 6 years.

Note: Each committee should also review the balance of committee members at each level of 0-3, 4-6, and 7 or more years.

Authority:

The Committee can execute and take action on any items included in the Committee's stated purpose and approved budget. The Committee does not have the authority to act or speak on behalf of CFMA without the prior approval of CFMA's Executive Committee.

If the Committee proposes a major change or addition to its stated purpose, such action would require approval by CFMA's Executive Committee. Such proposals will need to be incorporated into the **Committee Recommendation Form** and then submitted to CFMA's Executive Officers to determine if the request is ready for review. Once the request is approved by the Officers, then the Officers have the authority to direct the request to the Executive Committee for review and approval.

Reporting:

The Committee Chair reports to CFMA's Executive Committee. The Chair shall provide a written report of Committee activities to each regular meeting of the Executive Committee, as well as to the Board of Directors, Officers or CFMA Executive Committee members when called upon to do so.

Resources

As approved by CFMA's Executive Committee, resources include an annual program plan and budget plus associated staff resources. The work of the Committee is supported administratively by designated CFMA HQ staff. At times, the Committee will utilize specific vendors to assist with the carrying out of the Committee's charges.

Adopted & approved by the Executive Committee 3-23-23.