STMA in Action

Volunteers Advance STMA

embers have filled more than 200 positions on STMA's committees or task forces. These volunteers range from seasoned committee veterans to new association members. Committees provide member perspective and assist with the development of association programs and services. This strong involvement is another indicator that sports turf managers are engaged in STMA and have a passion for advancing the association. Committee volunteers have many leadership traits that translate to tangible benefits for their athletic facility. Those who volunteer outside of work contribute strongly to the overall success of the athletic facility.

2007 STMA Committees Awards

To judge the association's awards program applicants selecting the Field of the Year winners, the Minor League Baseball Sports Turf Manager of the Year, and to develop strategies to enhance the programs. Steve LeGros, Chair Carol Baker, CSFM Doug Linde, Ph.D. Scott MacVicar Chuck Pula David Rulli - Board Liaison Jim Welshans

Bylaws

To develop association bylaws that are fair and enforceable, and clearly define the expectations for membership, governance processes, and board of directors service. Ken Mrock, Chair Michael Boekholder Jesse Driver, CSFM Dale Getz, CSFM Carol Baker, CSFM Ross Kurcab, CSFM Richard Miller Mary Owen Scott Pippen James Rodgers, CSFM David Rulli - Board Liaison David Schlotthauer N. Grove Teates, Jr. Jay Warnick, CSFM Steve Wightman

Certification

To develop strategies to grow the number of certified members; to consistently monitor the program and recommend enhancements to ensure that the program is the top achievement for sports turf managers. Troy Smith, Chair Larry Berry, CSFM Darin Budak, CSFM Clark Cox, CSFM Jesse Driver, CSFM Eric Fasbender, CSFM Michael Goatley, Jr., Ph.D. Jason Henderson, Ph.D. Ron Hostick, CSFM

Committee Volunteer Traits	Benefits to Employer
Progressive.	Keep up-to-date with technology and management practices to produce safe and high quality playing conditions. Open to new ideas.
Effective personal skills.	Capable of working with different constituencies, such as athletic directors, parent groups, coaches, and athletes.
Passionate.	Committed to achieve goals and create opportunities for success.
Process-oriented.	Excel at planning, organizing, directing, controlling and monitoring – all elements key to success sports field management.
Critical thinking.	Identify priorities, solve problems and translate ideas into action. Define and explore alternative solutions.
Inspire others.	Motivate staff to do their very best work. Encourage teamwork.
Strong character.	Honest and ethical, which earns respect.
Visualize the future.	Strong strategic and long-term planning abilities.

STMA reorganized its committee system to involve more members in committee service and to make the most effective use of volunteers' time. Sources: GCSAA Leader Board, Vol. 3, Number 3; Why Volunteer? http://www.merrillassociates.net/topic/2003/11/why-volunteers/

Anthony Koski, Ph.D. Mary Owen Rick Peruzzi, CSFM Mike Schiller, CSFM George Trivett, CSFM

Chapter Relations

To create a chapter structure that is beneficial locally and nationally; to financially assist chapters with their administrative, operations and educational efforts; to facilitate the sharing of best practices. Amy Fouty, CSFM, Chair Chris Brindley **Richard Buelter** Dan Douglas Kevin Meredith David Pinsonneault -Board Liaison Craig Potts Michael Tarantino Dale Wiley Anthony Wise

Conference

To develop all content, sessions, workshops and offsite venues, and select

speakers and moderators for the next year's conference that will make it a "must attend" event for members and nonmembers; to recommend strategies that will drive attendance to the exhibition and will add value to exhibitors. Abby McNeal, CSFM, Chair Ryan Snead, Co-Chair David Minner, Ph.D. **Conference Education** Subcommittee Chair Tra DuBois - Conference Exhibition Subcommittee Chair Chris Calcaterra, CSFM & Sara Martin **Conference** Tours Subcommittee Cochairs Larry DiVito - Offsite Workshop Subcommittee Chair Jeff Salmond, CSFM -**Conference Student** Challenge

Subcommittee Chair

Conference Education Subcommittee

David D. Minner, Ph.D., Chair Larry Berry, CSFM Jeffrey Gilbert Joann Gruttadaurio Jason Henderson, Ph.D. Ron Hostick, CSFM Bradley R. Jakubowski Dave Kopec, Ph.D. Joel McKnight, CGCS Chris Ralston Eric Schroder Pamela Sherratt John Sorochan, Ph.D. Waldo Terrell **Gabriel** Towers Joe Traficano Kai Umeda **Rusty Walker Rich Watson** Richard White, Ph.D.

Conference Exhibition Subcommittee

Tra DuBois, Chair Tom Burns Webb Cook Larry Davis Dale Getz, CSFM Bill Marbet

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Editorial

To insure that the STMA SportsTurf Magazine contains information that is timely and relevant to the sports turf manager; to provide ideas and contacts for articles; to position the publication as the top industry magazine; to provide aesthetic recommendations and guidance on functionality and readability. Eric Schroder, Chair Dale Getz, CSFM - Board Liaison Scott MacVicar Scott McElroy, Ph.D. Kevin Meredith Brad Park Rick Perruzzi, CSFM Larry Rhodes, CSFM Doug Schattinger

Ethics

To provide an independent and unbiased council to investigate claims of ethics violations, determine if the claims have merit, and shepherd the appeals process. Ken Mrock, Chair Tom Burns Bob Christofferson Jesse Driver, CSFM Mary Owen Scott Pippen Craig Potts N. Grove Teates, Jr.

Finance and Audit

To provide oversight of the STMA's financial resources by reporting information and making recommendations to the Board of Directors on the annual budget, financial policies, investment policies and guidelines, and the annual audit. Chris Calcaterra, CSFM,

Chair Richard Buelter Robert Curry James Hlavaty David Pinsonneault

Governance Task Force

To review the current governance structure and make recommendations on an effective and efficient system per the strategic plan. Mike Trigg, CSFM, Chair Bob Campbell, CSFM Tim Moore, CSFM Mary Owen Scott Pippen Jimmy Rodgers, CSFM Bob Studholme Jay Warnick, CSFM Steve Wightman

Historical

To safeguard and make known the history of the association. John Mascaro, Chair Steve Guise Mike Schiller, CSFM George Toma Mike Trigg, CSFM, Board Liaison James Watson, Ph.D. Steve Wightman

Information Outreach/ Educational Tools

To develop educational and informational opportunities for members to enhance their personal and professional development. Darian Daily, Chair **Jim Cornelius** Eric Fasbender, CSFM Jeff Fowler Brad Fresenburg Dale Getz, CSFM - Co-Board Liaison Jody Gill - Co-Board Liaison Kevin Meredith Grady Miller, Ph.D. Stan Moscrip Don Savard, CSFM Doug Schattinger David Schlotthauer John Sorochan, Ph.D. Rodney St. John Tony Strickland, CSFM

Membership

To develop initiatives to drive membership growth and retention; to recommend programs that add value for each category of membership Lynda Wightman, Chair Bob Campbell, CSFM Chad Follis Samuel O. Jones Marc Moran Kerry Page David Pinsonneault - Board Liaison Mike Tarantino Victoria Wallace

Nominations

To provide to the membership a slate of officers and directors for the annual STMA Board of Directors election in accordance with the STMA Bylaws. Mike Trigg, CSFM, Chair Tom Burns Bob Campbell, CSFM Murray Cook Bob Curry Mary Owen Jay Warnick, CSFM Steve Wightman

Past President's Council

To offer advice and insight on the association's strategic direction. Mike Trigg, CSFM, Chair Bob Campbell, CSFM Stephen Cockerham Murray Cook **Richard Ericson** David Frey Stephen H. Guise Mark Hodnick Gil Landry, Jr., Ph.D. Richard T. Moffitt Greg Petry George W. Rokosh Michael Schiller, CSFM Steve Wightman

Scholarship

To judge and select the winners of the SAFE scholarships; to develop strategies to increase the number of applicants and improve the program. Amy Fouty, CSFM, Chair Paul Anderson Peter Ashe, CSFM Curt Farmer Eric Fasbender, CSFM Allen Johnson, CSFM Sam Jones David Mellor Michelle Moscrip John Rector George Trivett, CSFM

Technical Standards

To influence the development of appropriate technical standards that impact sports field management. David Minner, Ph.D., Chair Michael DePew Jim Brosnan

Website

To oversee the STMA website, enhance its content, and improve its navigation to drive more traffic to it; to investigate new technologies. Jody Gill, Chair Chuck Dixon Sam Ferro **Chad Follis** Brad Fresenburg Mark Frever John Mascaro Joel McKnight, CGCS Boyd Montgomery, CSFM Pamela Sherratt Lynda Wightman

Pinsonneault appointed to STMA Board

STMA President Mike Andresen, CSFM has appointed David Pinsonneault, Public Grounds Superintendent for the Town of Lexington, MA to the STMA Board of Directors. Pinsonneault fills the Parks and Recreation Director position left vacant in February by the resignation of Lance Tibbetts, CSFM. Tibbetts resigned to spend more time with his family. Pinsonneault will complete Tibbett's term, which ends in January 2008.

Pinsonneault is responsible for the overall operation of the Park, Forestry, Streetlight and Cemetery Divisions within the Public Works Department, which encompass approximately 600 acres of land, four cemeteries, more than 3,000 streetlights and approximately 10,000 street trees. He supervises a staff of 22 full-time employees.

Pinsonneault holds a Bachelor of Science in Forestry from the University of New Hampshire. He also graduated from the Park Maintenance and Management School sponsored by the National Park and Recreation Association and North Carolina State University. He is a Certified Arborist, Certified Playground Safety Inspector, Certified Aquatic Facility Operator, and Certified Park and Recreation Professional. He is a member of numerous associations and a past President of the New England Sports Turf Managers Association (NESTMA). During his presidency he led the affiliation of NESTMA into the STMA chapter network. He will be the board liaison to the STMA Membership Committee