
NOT QUITE EMOMENTUM

Dear SBI members and friends,

This is the third issue of Not Quite eMomentum, the replacement for eMomentum, our newsletter for years. As mentioned in both previous issues, we hope to encourage your frequent checking of our much improved and constantly updated website: <http://www.smallbusinessinstitute.biz>. Here you'll find the latest SBI news, especially 2010 Conference information.

Call for Board Nominations Bruce Kemelgor, Past President, chairs the nominations committee. He invites SBI members to self nominate or, after securing the person's agreement, nominate another. Nominations are sought for three positions: VP of Research and Publications, VP Program Chair-Elect, and one Director. Position descriptions and terms of office can be found on our SBI website -- click on "About SBI", then "SBI Officers' Playbook". Nominations should be e-mailed to Bruce at bhkeme01@louisville.edu by November 15th. Elections will be conducted electronically by December 15th.

Member's Showcase Once again you're invited to share an example of the publicity your SBI program has garnered inside or outside of your institution. The deadline for the next issue of Not Quite eMomentum will be 12/15. Hope your example might be selected for publication. In the meantime, thanks go to Craig Zamzow at Plymouth State University for providing a great example of publicity for his program. You can see it at <http://www.plymouth.edu/news/fullstory.php?number=6634>.

Call for 2010 Showcase Award Nominations The Showcase Award recognizes the SBI Program and its Director for innovative development and management or contribution to a client success story. For detailed description and list of previous winners, please check the SBI website. Members are encouraged to submit nominations to Paul Belliveau, VP Marketing and Communications, at belliveau@att.net by 11/15. Previous winners and current SBI officers will vote electronically by 12/15. The Award(s) will be presented at our Albuquerque Conference in February.

Call for 2010 Homer L. Saunders Mentor Award Nominations The Homer L. Saunders Mentor Award recognizes a deserving SBI member for outstanding contribution to the training and development of an SBI Program Director. A detailed description of the award and a list of previous winners can be found on our website. Nominations should be

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2009 Annual SBI Eastern Conference Once Again a Success

Thanks to Matt Sonfeld, Hofstra University, for this report: The 2009 Annual SBI Eastern Conference, held in New York City on September 25 and 26 was again an extremely successful event. SBI members from former SBA Regions I, II and III (Virginia and Pennsylvania north to Maine) have been conducting an Eastern Conference every year since the late 1970s. This was the seventh time this conference was held in New York City, hosted each time by Matt Sonfeld of Hofstra University. This year our conference hotel was the Hotel Beacon on Manhattan's Upper West Side -- a vibrant residential area of the city. A hard copy Conference Proceedings was this year edited by Bob Lussier of Springfield College (MA).

The annual SBI Eastern Conferences are purposely kept small, with all activities in one meeting room and with an emphasis on social interaction along with scholarly business. Fourteen national SBI members from five eastern states were in attendance. Eighteen conference papers were selected by double-blind peer review and were presented as well as published in the Proceedings. On Friday evening, attendees and their guests enjoyed traditional French cuisine at La Boite en Bois, one of Manhattan's many small and little-known restaurant gems, and they then attended a performance of the hit Broadway musical South Pacific at the Beaumont Theater in Lincoln Center.

Next year's Eastern Conference will be held October 1 & 2, 2010, in Pittsburgh, PA, hosted by Mary McKinney and Duquesne University. Our 2011 Conference is planned for Springfield, MA, and we expect to return to New York City in 2012. Thanks, Paul Belliveau SBI VP, Marketing & Communications belliveau@att.net