



## 2020 Annual Meeting – Maui, HI

**Office or Committee Name:** Student Paper Judging Committee

**Officer or Chairperson Name:** Carl Coburn

**Date of Preparation (include year):** 2/23/2020

### Activities during the year:

- Sent out a call for volunteer judges with help from Eric Gustafson
- Provided advanced notice to students about paper judging criteria and guidelines for inclusion in the annual call for papers.
- Sent contest rules and guidelines to students participating in the paper contest on January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Recruited judges for the paper contest.
- Selected a panel of judges for each section and communicated with them ahead of the meeting. Assigned judges to sections and provided judges with abstracts and scoring sheets ahead of the meeting.

**Recommendations for Board Action:** The operating guide states that if one to four students compete in a section, only first place will be awarded (Student Paper Judging Committee Section 5b). This year we had two sections with a single student, so they would automatically receive first place despite **not competing against any other student**. In such situations, can we add language into the operating guide that the student paper judging committee can combine sections to ensure at least 2 students are competing?

**Budget Needs:** None

**Name of Person Preparing This Report:** Carl Coburn