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<b>VISION</b>	To be the leading Chapter of NIGP: The Institute for Public Procurement by promoting the development of public procurement professionals throughout Central Florida.
<b>MISSION</b>	Provide our chapter members with opportunities for professional development and the exchange of best practices.
<b>CORE VALUES</b>	<p>The Central Florida Chapter of NIGP shall adhere to the following core values:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ethics</li> <li>2. Integrity</li> <li>3. Professionalism</li> <li>4. Diversity</li> <li>5. Education and Professional Growth</li> <li>6. Service to Stakeholders</li> </ol>



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Chapter Members,

**Website:** We have begun the implementation process for our new website with ClubExpress sponsored by NIGP and Sourcewell. You may have already seen emails from us about creating new passwords, etc. Please go online and reset your password and check out the new website [www.cfcnigp.org](http://www.cfcnigp.org)!

**Pro-D Scholarships:** Congratulations to our scholarship winners! The Chapter has awarded over \$10,119 in scholarships to NIGP FORUM (In-Person), NIGP FORUM (Virtual), and three (3) NIGP Classes! See newsletter for details.

**NIGP VCON:** Congratulations to our additional scholarship winners for NIGP VCON, June 7-8, 2023. The Chapter paid \$740 for 10 members to attend NIGP VCON sponsored in part by Sourcewell!!!! 9 Contact Hours. This is a great class for those that need procurement fundamentals or those that want to refresh their skill.

**Award Winners:** Central Florida Chapter of NIGP celebrates procurement month with 2023 awards! Congratulations to Nick Canjar Buyer of the Year, Wil Henzmann Volunteer of the Year, and Sean Hynes Above and Beyond! Thank you for your service and dedication to the procurement profession! Congratulations to Katrina Ponzini recognized as an Emerging Leader! Well deserved!

**Chapter Membership Meeting:** You will be able to register for the Friday, May 12, 2023 Chapter Membership Meeting after May 1<sup>st</sup> on our new website!!!!

**Family Day:** For those that registered by April 14<sup>th</sup>, I am excited to see you on Saturday, May 6, 2023, at Brevard Zoo in Melbourne, FL!

**Save the Date:** Reverse Trade Show is Wednesday, November 8, 2023. Please save the date for one or more of your team members to attend and represent your agency. Registration begins in June 2023.

**Get Engaged. Get Connected:** I want to encourage members to evaluate your talents and strengths and identify if there are any committees or task force opportunities that you would like to volunteer on. Committee chair and member positions are available. We benefit from having active engagements. Please do not hesitate to contact me or other board members with any questions or suggestions. The list is on our website under committees or email me for a copy. If you would like to partner with someone in a position that is filled, we can do that too!



Tabatha Freedman, MBA, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB  
 2022-2023 President  
[president@cfcnigp.org](mailto:president@cfcnigp.org)



# OFFICER MESSAGES



## Vice President's Message

Geez. It's almost May. Where does the time go? It seems the older I get, the faster it goes.

I thoroughly enjoyed seeing so many faces at the Spring Workshop! Everything was great; it was a nice change to have a hot lunch for Procurement Month. The Board decided it was the right thing to do to celebrate what you all do everyday!

Thank you for participating and thank you for everything you do. See you next month.

**Chris Coghill, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB**  
**CFC NIGP Vice President**

## Treasurer's Message

Hello CFC Members! I've very excited to announce our new website is live!! You will receive an email with a username, temporary password, and link to access the new website. Logging in for the first time will prompt you for a new password. Your member profile information was pulled in from our previous site, so most of your profile should be completed already. I would recommend verifying and updating your profile information as needed by clicking your name at the top right, selecting Profile, and Basic Member Information.

Registration for our May Chapter Meeting must be completed on the new website. The meeting will be held on May 12, 2023, virtually and in-person at the Renaissance Senior Center. If you have any trouble registering, please reach out to me for assistance.

I hope everyone enjoys the month of May!

**Sean Hynes, NIGP-CPP, CPPB**  
**CFC NIGP Treasurer**



## Secretary's Message

Hello, fellow CFC Members!

It was great seeing many of you at our Spring Workshop, where we enjoyed a virtual presentation by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and an in-person presentation on Case Law by Kirk Buffington. So much valuable information was gained. I am looking forward to Family Day at the Brevard Zoo on May 6, 2023, and our Membership Meeting on May 12, 2023, that will cover Cybersecurity.

I am thrilled to share this newsletter with you. Please join me in congratulating Tammy Roberts and Corie Cummings, our FIRST EVER mother/daughter Spotlight Members for May 2023! Be sure to check out our member recognitions, announcements, and all of the Chapter and NIGP sponsored opportunities for growth and development.

**Katrina Ponzini, M.Ed., CPPB**  
**CFC NIGP Secretary**



# PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MESSAGE

## 2022/23 Dates to Remember

Day and Date	Times	Type	Event	Topic
Friday, May 12, 2023	12:00 - 2:00	In-person & virtual	May Chapter Meeting	Cybersecurity
May 21 - 24, 2023	8:00 - 5:00	In-person	FAPPO Annual Conference	
Friday, July 14, 2023	12:00 - 2:00	In-person & virtual	July Chapter Meeting	NIGP Chapter Ambassadors
August 19 - 23, 2023	8:00 - 5:00	In-person & virtual	NIGP Forum	
Friday, September 29, 2023	9:00 - 3:00	In-person & virtual	Fall Workshop	NIGP Course Work
Wednesday, November 8, 2023	9:30 - 3:30	In-person	Reverse Trade Show	
Friday, December 8, 2023	12:00 - 2:00	In-person & virtual	Holiday Chapter Meeting	State of the Chapter
Fridays	11:00 - 12:00	Virtual	CPPO/CPPB Study Group	

**VIRTUAL Chapter Check-Ins may be scheduled in addition to the above meetings and workshops.**

**Meetings are virtual and in-person unless otherwise specified.**

***Our in-person location is listed on our website.***

***IN-PERSON LUNCH. Lunch purchases are to be made in advance during meeting registration. Additional lunches will not be available the day of the event. If you have dietary requirements, please contact [president@cfcnigp.org](mailto:president@cfcnigp.org) at least one week in advance of the meeting day. We will meet them the best we can.***

## Upcoming Membership Meetings

So. Interested in cyber security? Good, because that is what the May meeting is all about. Carrie Roberts, Procurement Director for Pasco County is doing this presentation and I think it is timely as the world is a bit on the rocky side right now. What can we do better to reduce the risk of cyber attacks? What do we look for in solicitation responses? Will we have to begin researching more fully the suppliers that win awards?

July we will have a visit with our Chapter Ambassadors, who will give us an update on what NIGP is working on. The Fall Workshop in September is going to be a first.....NIGP's Fred Kuhn, Chief Growth Officer, will do one or two sessions that will be focused on NIGP education. I can't wait to hear what they've built for this program!



### March 2023 Spring Workshop Recap

Oh my goodness. What did you think about the Spring Workshop? 3 amazing speakers, hot lunches, and a large turnout! I am so glad we had the Bureau of Labor Statistics come in to talk about the CPI and the PPI. The information they provided was beyond what was expected. I hope everyone enjoyed and walked away a little smarter about the indices.

Kirk Buffington. The man, the myth, the legend. I'd want him on my side of the courtroom if I ever saw myself in that type of situation. His session on case law was interesting and thought-provoking. This is a highly respected session and Kirk certainly delivered. We will definitely have him back. And soon.....I want to hear his surety & bonds session.

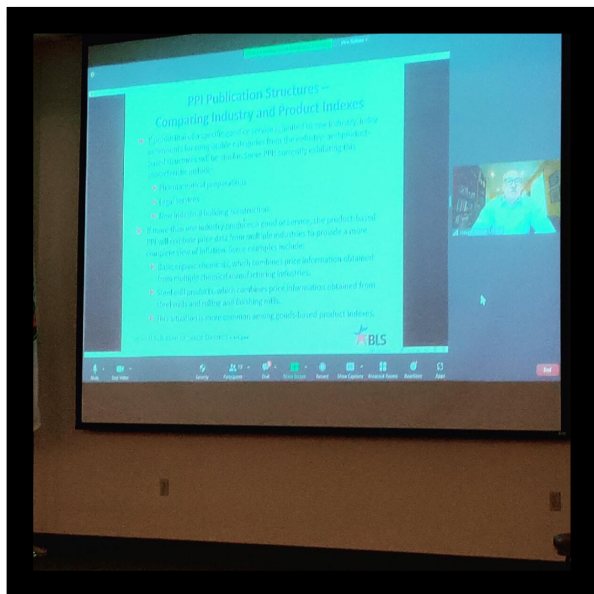
If anyone needs a copy of the presentations, send me an email and I'll get it to you.  
[Chris.coghill@groveland-fl.gov](mailto:Chris.coghill@groveland-fl.gov).

Congratulations to our award winners! Nick Canjar, City of Palm Bay, received 2023 CFC Buyer of the Year; Wil Henzmann, Brevard County Schools, received 2023 CFC Volunteer of the Year; and Sean Hynes, Orange County, received an Above and Beyond Award! All so very deserving; these gentlemen surely are a part of the backbone that makes this chapter so great.  
Congratulations guys!

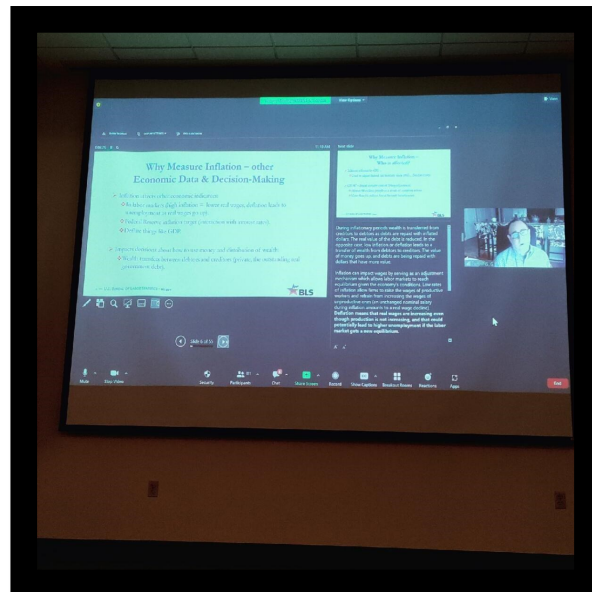


**So good to see so many faces!**

# PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MESSAGE (CONTINUED)



**Producer Price Index (PPI): Methodology, Publication Structures, and Uses**  
by Joseph P. Kowel,  
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



**Consumer Price Index (CPI): Methodology, Publication Structures, and Uses**  
by Gerald Perrins,  
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



**Case Law**  
by Kirk Buffington, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, C.P.M., MBA



# MEMBER RECOGNITIONS - MOTHER/DAUGHTER SPOTLIGHT

**TAMMY ROBERTS, CPPB, NIGP-CPP**  
**PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR, SEMINOLE COUNTY**

**&**

**CORIE CUMMINGS**  
**CONTRACTING AGENT, ORANGE COUNTY GOVERNMENT**



## **What year did you join the Chapter?**

T: 1995.

C: 2022 (second time).

## **How long have you worked in the procurement profession?**

T: 29 years.

C: Since 2012.

## **What is the most interesting, unusual, or challenging purchase in which you have been involved?**

T: In 2012, the oldest bald cypress tree in the world (3,500 years), located in Seminole County burnt. I was the lead analyst to solicited vendors to create relics from the burned wood. Several of those relics are on display throughout the County from ballpoint pens, bowls, and wall art to benches.

C: I'd say the most interesting was an electric fence structure at the top of the Orange County Courthouse.

## **What professional certifications do you hold?**

T: NIGP-CPP and CPPB.

C: None as of right now, but I am pursuing my CPPB and NIGP-CPP.

## **What is your number one goal (career or personal)?**

T: I'm in DROP and will be retiring in April 2024. My goal is to leave my procurement team with as much Seminole County knowledge that I can and put into writing some history that is still necessary for future procurement.

C: To never stop growing and learning.

## **What is your favorite hobby?**

T: Preparing and sharing Sunday dinners with extended family. I also enjoy girls' trips with my cousins at least once a year and hope those trips will increase after I retire.

C: Fishing.

## **Share a little-known fact about yourself.**

T: Before joining Seminole County Procurement Team in 1994, I had worked for the Seminole County Building department for five years in the 80's.

C: I was in the Army and went to Iraq for over a year.

## **What does it mean to you to work in the same profession as your mother?**

T: We have discussed this and like several of our procurement colleagues, we did not seem to choose this career path, it chose us. We are very thankful because procurement is so interesting and rewarding.

C: I think it's awesome to follow in my mother's footsteps. She is my hero.

## **Have you had a chance to collaborate on any projects or do you consult with each other on projects you are handling at your own entity?**

T: Yes, we have reached out to each other for piggybacks and information or a contract in each other's agency to assist us. We admit we discuss procurement projects, market trends and certifications during family dinners, birthday parties, etc.

C: We discuss quite frequently how are agencies handle different scenarios, and I've gotten a lot of great information from my mom.



# MEMBER RECOGNITIONS - AWARDS

**Central Florida Chapter of NIGP celebrates procurement month with 2023 awards!**

**Congratulations to Nick Canjar, Buyer of the Year!**

**Congratulations to Wil Henzmann, Volunteer of the Year!**

**Thank you for your service and dedication to the procurement profession!**

## *Buyer of the Year*



Nick Canjar, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, Procurement Agent III, the City of Palm Bay, FL began in 2018 with the Brevard County School Board in December of 2020 Nick took a position with the City of Palm Bay as Procurement Agent II quickly became a Procurement Agent III in less than a year due to excellent performance and team contributions. He trained within the City to educate folks on Procurement policies and procedures, trained new hires, and was the project manager for the City of Palm Bay's transition to E-Procurement. He is known for his love of Christmas (and other holidays) and building team morale.

Nick became involved in the Chapter in 2018 with the food catering committee and has led the Chapter's study group for the Certified Public Procurement Buyer (CPPB) and Certified Public Procurement Officer (CPPO) since 2022. He has presented at the Chapter and at NIGP FORUM.

Congratulations Nick, the Central Florida's Chapter of NIGP 2023 Buyer of the Year!

## *Volunteer of the Year*

Talents that are shared are appreciated. Wil Henzmann, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, Senior Procurement Agent, Brevard Public Schools worked with a group of various perspectives and brought ideas to the table that were inspirational. Tailored with a bit of direction from national, a new Chapter logo was created.

He continued to share his talents with the Chapter creating impressive Reverse Trade Show marketing items from the Agency Directory shared with sponsors, to Sponsor thank you boards, and directional signage. On top of all this, he produced a RTS Sponsor video!

Thank you, Wil Henzmann with Brevard Public Schools, for your Chapter engagement.



## MEMBER RECOGNITIONS - AWARDS

**Central Florida Chapter of NIGP celebrates procurement month with 2023 awards!**

**Congratulations to Sean Hynes Above and Beyond Award Winner!**  
**Thank you for your service and dedication to the procurement profession!**

### *Above and Beyond*

The skills of Sean Hynes, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, Contracting Agent, Orange County Procurement were instrumental in the chapter's move to the new in person and virtual format in 2022. He also took ownership of the Audio/Visual responsibilities in association with the new format. Jumping in with 2 feet, he assisted with processing scholarship applications when an extra hand was needed. When a member moved on, he also took over sending out our contact hour certificates.

Sean also helped when RTS got rescheduled and processed the most vendor refunds in history. We have a chance that those vendors may attend in the future.

He is a lead on the New Website and created and presented Benefits of Becoming a Member to Brevard County entities which resulted in new members!

Thank you for your service!



# MEMBER RECOGNITIONS - AWARDS

## Central Florida Chapter of NIGP celebrates procurement month with 2023 awards!

### Congratulations to Katrina Ponzini, Emerging Woman Leader in Public Procurement!

Thank you for your service and dedication to the procurement profession!

Katrina Ponzini, M.Ed., CPPB, Supervisor of Small Business and Veteran Programs, the School District of Osceola County was the recipient of the Emerging Women Leaders in Public Procurement for her contributions to our procurement profession. Katrina is an invaluable part of the Central Florida Chapter of NIGP family and is appreciated!

The article below was shared on a Facebook private group, [Procurement Women Leaders](#), made of approximately 670 members located nationally and in Canada. The Women Procurement Leaders group is committed to the advancement of fellow women in the public procurement profession. They strive to advocate on their behalf and develop a network focused on furthering their advancement in the profession. They believe in building a community of strong and resilient women who are focused on positive encouragement, collaborative relationships and personal growth and development.

**Marcheta Webber Gillespie**  
Admin · Group expert · 7h · 🌐

Heading on down to the state of Florida to celebrate today's Emerging Woman Leader in Procurement.. [Katrina Ponzini, M.Ed., CPPB](#)! Katrina is the Supervisor of the Small Business and Veteran Programs with the School District of Osceola County in Florida. She became the secretary of the Central Florida Chapter of NIGP in 2020, at the start of the pandemic, and still committed to return for a second term. That's commitment!

When she's not advocating for small and veteran owned businesses, Katrina is a newsletter editor for the chapter, helped redesign the chapter's member spotlight, created tools for the secretary leadership role, is the Family Day coordinator, and RTS agency marketing leaflet compiler. Clearly Katrina has a heart for helping her chapter.

Katrina obtained her Master's in Education degree and her CPPB over the past few years and was promoted from Senior Buyer to Supervisor of the Small Business and Veteran Programs. She is a devoted volleyball mom to a beautiful daughter. Thank you, Katrina, for your contributions to our profession and to your local Chapter! And thank you [Tabatha Freedman Highsmith](#) for recognizing Katrina as an emerging leader!



### Emerging Women Leaders in Public Procurement

**Katrina Ponzini, M.Ed., CPPB**  
Supervisor – Small Business & Veteran Programs – School District of Osceola County, FL

“Katrina is intelligent, creative, and a team player, always with a smile,” Tabatha Freedman, Central Florida Chapter of NIGP President.

*Celebrating Women's History Month and Procurement Month by recognizing our future women leaders in public procurement!*

This celebration sponsored by the Procurement Women Leaders group







## ***CFC NIGP gives Pro-D Opportunities to members!***

The Chapter had a 2 step process to give away professional development opportunities. First, members completed a survey. Using the survey respondents, raffles were held on March 1, 2023 by an episodic committee for in-person NIGP FORUM, virtual NIGP FORUM, and virtual class opportunities.

**Free In-Person NIGP FORUM inclusive of hotel (5 nights), airfare, and conference registration to the NIGP FORUM 2023 located in Louisville, KY on August 19 to 23, 2023**

Ms. Kathy A. Williams, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, MBA, County of Volusia

Mrs. Diane R. Reed, CPPO, CPPB, Seminole County BOCC

### **Free Virtual NIGP FORUM August 21-23, 2023**

Ms. Inga Campbell Fegley, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, County of Volusia

Ms. Yanique Reddick, Lake County School Board

Ms. Gwendolyn Jordan-McKinney, Orange County Florida

Mrs. Pamela E. Wilsky, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, County of Volusia

Ms. Fatima F. Calkins, CPPO, CPPB, Greater Orlando Aviation Authority

Ms. Susan Ann Perry, CPPB, Orange County Public Schools

Michelle Fentress, City of Port St. Lucie

Mr. William R. Henzmann, Sr., NIGP-CPP, CPPB, School Board of Brevard County

Mr. Ross Wilson, Orlando Utilities Commission

Mr. Brian Ferrier, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, City of Orlando

Mr. Javarie Lurie McDonald, City of Orlando

### **Free Virtual 2-Day Class "Effective Contract Writing" Apr 13 - 14, 2023**

Mr. David R. Santiago, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, City of Orange City

Louis Straffi, Seminole County BOCC

Kent Rossi, Jr., Seminole County Public Schools

***Congratulations!***

***#cfcnigpWinners2023***



## ***CFC NIGP gives Pro-D Opportunities to members!***

The Chapter funded 10 Class Registrations for Virtual NIGP VCON Summer 2023 in the amount of \$740.00, after a Sourcewell coupon! This opportunity was presented on our Chapter website as a meeting registration. This year's VCON focuses on procurement fundamentals.

**Free Virtual NIGP FORUM VCON SUMMER 2023 June 7 - 8, 2023**

### **9 Contact Hours**

Ms. Heidi Ott, County of Volusia

Mrs. Michelle Cherry, School Board of Brevard County

Ms. Janet Vivian, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, City of New Smyrna Beach

Steven Cohen, Orange County Florida

Jamee Cook, City of Sebring

Ms. Angela L Thomas, CPPB, MBA, City of Orlando

Ms. Mildred Maldonado, NIGP-CPP, CPPB, Osceola County

Ms. Lisa A. Kesecker, CPPB, FCPA, School District of Osceola County

India Barr, City of Port St. Lucie

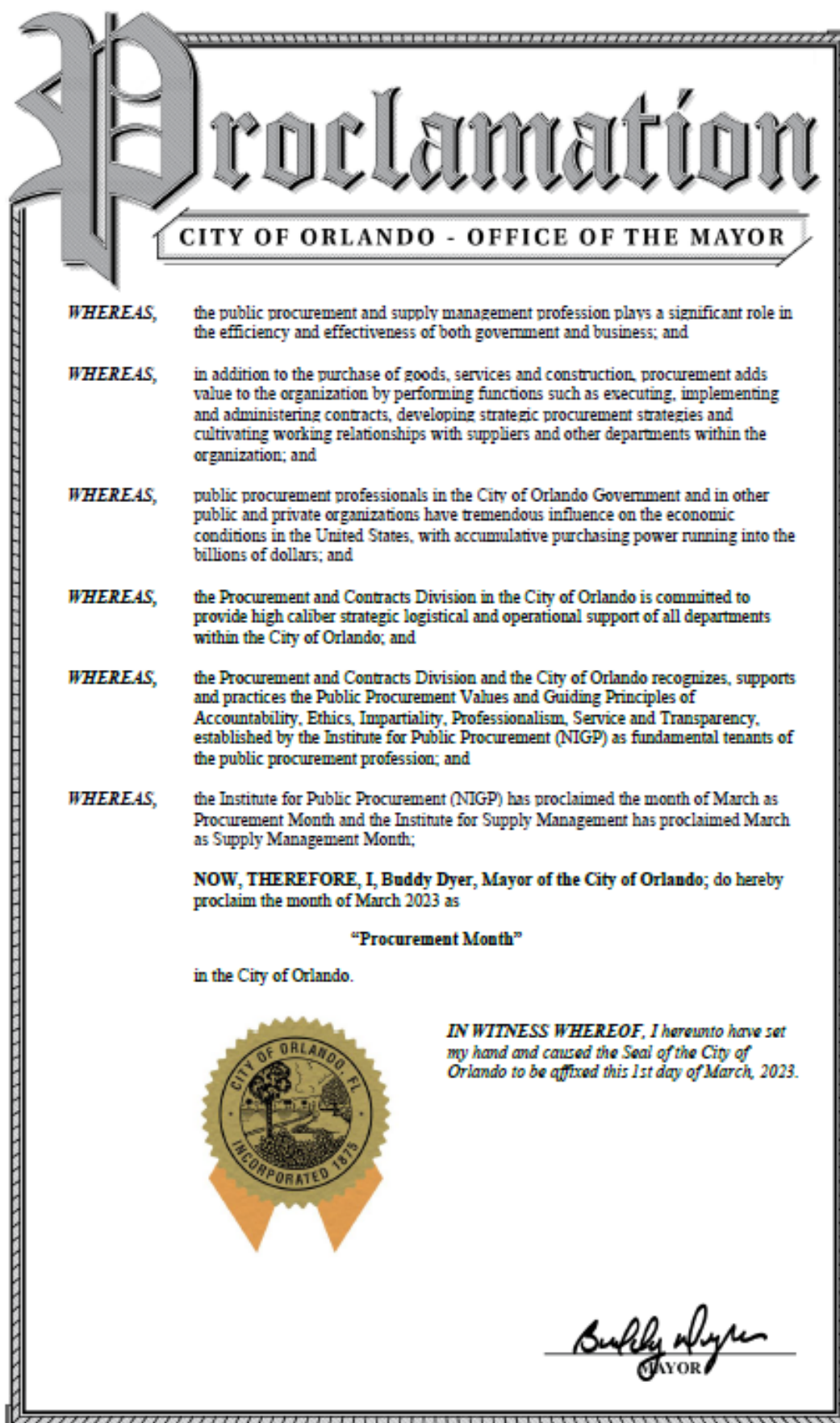
Mrs. Rasha Al Khalil, Greater Orlando Aviation Authority



You may still register for this event at [www.nigp.org/events/virtual-conferences](http://www.nigp.org/events/virtual-conferences).

***Congratulations!***

***#cfcnigpWinners2023***







## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the public procurement profession plays a significant role in the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of government and business throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, public procurement adds value to the organization by being directly responsible for executing, implementing, and administering contracts, developing procurement strategies, and establishing working relationships with suppliers and other organization departments. Public procurement professionals have tremendous influence on the economic conditions in the United States with purchasing power totaling billions of dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, the Procurement Management Department of the City of Port St. Lucie is committed to providing high caliber strategic, logistical, and operational support to all departments; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department practices the public procurement values and principles of accountability, ethics, impartiality, professionalism, service, and transparency as established by the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP); and

**WHEREAS**, NIGP and other international associations celebrate March as Procurement Month in order to expand awareness of the purchasing professional role to government officials and the public.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Shannon M. Martin, Mayor of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of March to be observed as:

## Procurement Month

in Port Saint Lucie and extend our appreciation to all procurement professionals throughout the state and here in the City of Port Saint Lucie for their hard work, dedication, and leadership.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, to be affixed, thirteenth day of March in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty-three.



Shannon M. Martin, Mayor

Bryan Pankhurst, Acting City Clerk

# MEMBER RECOGNITIONS - LAKE COUNTY BOCC

## PROCLAMATION 2023 - 22

**WHEREAS**, the public procurement profession plays a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of both government and business; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the purchase of goods and services, procurement professionals add value to the county by performing such functions as executing, implementing, and administering contracts, developing strategic procurement strategies, identifying cost saving opportunities, and cultivating working relationships with suppliers and other departments within the county; and

**WHEREAS**, public procurement professionals that are members of the Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP) and other public and private organizations have tremendous influence on the economic conditions in the United States with accumulative purchasing power running into the billions of dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, public procurement professionals serve as the gatekeeper of the competitive process and are entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring that competitive processes are conducted with fairness and transparency for our partners in the business community; and

**WHEREAS**, public procurement professionals are uniquely qualified and certified to recognize, support, and practice the Public Procurement Values and Guiding principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service, and Transparency established by NIGP, as fundamental tenets of the public procurement profession; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Procurement Services seeks to expand the awareness of the public procurement professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business and corporate leaders;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County, Florida, proclaims that:

1. The month of March, 2023, shall be proclaimed as "National Procurement Month."
2. The Board of County Commissioners recognizes the many contributions and the ongoing dedication of procurement professionals to the citizens of Florida and the United States.
3. A copy of this Proclamation shall be spread upon the minutes of this meeting.
4. This Proclamation shall become effective upon adoption.

**DONE AND PROCLAIMED** this 14<sup>TH</sup> day of March 2023 in regular session of the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County, Florida.



### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL  
SUFFICIENCY:

MELANIE MARSH  
COUNTY ATTORNEY



**Are you ready for the next step in your career?**

**Are you ready to lead?**

**Are you ready to give back to your profession?**

**Curious about serving as an officer for CFC?**

**Reach out to one of our current or former officers to hear about their experience and submit your application for the Central Florida Chapter of NIGP Board!**

**Schedule for Officer Nominations:**

July 17, 2023	Applications due
July 19, 2023	Committee to discuss and schedule interviews.
July 26, 2023, 8-11 AM	Interviews with officer candidates.
July 28, 2023, 8-11 AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Interviews with officer finalists (optional)
September 2023	Send slate of officers by e-mail blast and/or include in September newsletter.
September 29, 2023	Presentation of officer nomination slate to membership



# ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFICER NOMINATIONS, 2024/25



**Subject:** Application for the Central Florida Chapter of NIGP Board – Elected Officers  
**Term of Service:** January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025

Dear Members:

The Central Florida Chapter of NIGP Nominations Task Force is accepting applications for the following elected positions for the Board: President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Please complete a separate application for each position that you are interested in and return it to the attention of Kristine Rodriguez at [rodriguez.kristine@brevardschools.org](mailto:rodriguez.kristine@brevardschools.org) no later than July 17, 2023.

Check One of the Following Positions:

☐ President  
☐ Vice President

☐ Treasurer  
☐ Secretary

Please answer the questions listed below, as they are related to this position. This additional information will assist the Task Force in preparing a recommendation.

**NAME OF APPLICANT:**

1. What are your past and current contributions to the Central Florida Chapter of NIGP:

2. Please list all of the positions that you have held in Public Procurement and attach a copy of your resume:

3. Indicate the number of years you have held the following certification.

CPPB   
CPPO   
NIGP-CPP

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFICER NOMINATIONS, 2024/25



4. What do you hope to accomplish professionally and personally by serving as an Officer of the Central Florida Chapter of NIGP?

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5. What are your past and current contributions to other procurement organizations:

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6. A letter of support for your two-year commitment from your Department/Division Director must be submitted as a part of your application packet.

Thank you for your interest in serving the Central Florida Chapter of NIGP.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at our information listed below.

Sincerely,

The Central Florida Chapter of NIGP Nominating Task Force:

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David Billingsley, [david.billingsley@orlando.gov](mailto:david.billingsley@orlando.gov)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: July 17, 2023

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

1. Completed Application
2. Resume
3. Letter of Support from your Department/Division Director
4. Short Bio
5. Picture of yourself

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**Summary remarks of NIGP Central Florida Chapter's  
financial records review for the year ending December 31, 2022.**

A summary review of the financial records and bank statements were conducted to determine if adequate financial controls are in place, identify any findings/issues and to provide recommendations. Neither serious material issues nor findings were found in this annual review. Although I reviewed the majority of the records, audits are not a complete review of every record. Sampling was used in many areas. Most files contain all the necessary documentation to conduct this review. I was able to spot check many income deposits/debits (cash and checks) entries, stripe payments/transfers and bank statements. The back up support documents are in excellent order. The following are comments in regards to this review:

- In September, the Chapter received \$18,654.77 from the Mid FL Chapter. The board voted to use this money for scholarships and community services. Because these are “restricted funds”, a spreadsheet tracking these expenses should be maintained and readily available to any officer for review.
- For scholarship redemption, I recommend that the Chapter add a line to the form that has the member affirm that they are receiving no other reimbursements for these expenses. A member could receive reimbursement from their employer and from the chapter. This line would be an affirmative statement and give notice to the member that dual reimbursement for the same expense is not allowed.

Respectfully submitted by:

*Andrew Kokitus*

Andrew G. Kokitus, MBA, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB

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## Save the Dates

### Central Florida Chapter of NIGP

#### Reverse Trade Show

November 8, 2023

Registration: [www.cfcnigp.org](http://www.cfcnigp.org) (opens in June)

Contact: Tabatha Freedman, President

Contact Email: [President@cfcnigp.org](mailto:President@cfcnigp.org)

Future Events

[www.cfcnigp.org](http://www.cfcnigp.org)

### Central Gulf Coast Chapter of NIGP

#### Reverse Trade Show

May 12, 2023

Registration: <https://cgccnigp.org/meet-reg1.php?id=16>

Contact: Bob Pacenta or Cindy Norton

Contact Email: [Robert.pacenta@ecua.fl.gov](mailto:Robert.pacenta@ecua.fl.gov) or [nortonlj@santarosa.k12.fl.us](mailto:nortonlj@santarosa.k12.fl.us)

Future Events

<https://cgccnigp.org/>

### Gulf Coast Association of Governmental Purchasing Officers

#### Reverse Trade Show

April 14, 2023

Registration: <https://gcagpo.org/meetinginfo.php?id=10&ts=1677010928>

Contract Person: Mike Pershing

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[mike.pershing@yourcharlotteschools.net](mailto:mike.pershing@yourcharlotteschools.net)

Future Events

<https://gcagpo.org/>

### Tampa Bay Area Chapter of NIGP Buyer/Seller Golf Tournament

May 5, 2023

#### Reverse Trade Show

June 15, 2023

#### Trade Show

October 27, 2023

<https://www.nigp-tampabay.org/>

### Tallahassee Area Chapter of NIGP

Check our website for future events

<https://www.tacnigp.com/index.cfm>

### Greater Miami Chapter of NIGP, Inc.

Check our website for future events

<https://www.nigpmiami.org/index.cfm>

### Southeast Florida Chapter of NIGP

Check our website for future events

<https://www.nigpsefl.org/index.cfm>

### North Florida Procurement Association of NIGP, Inc.

Check our website for future events

<https://nfpanigp.org/>

### Sarasota Bay Chapter of NIGP

Check our website for future events

<https://sarasotabaynigp.org/>

### FAPPO Annual Conference Tradeshow

May 22, 2023

<https://www.fappo.org/sponsors-exhibitors>

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS - CFC SPONSORED 2-DAY CLASS

## COURSE

# Competency Module: Program Implementation and Management

DATE: 05/09/2023 - 05/10/2023

START TIME: 8:00 AM Eastern Time

END TIME: 5:00 PM Eastern Time

HOSTED BY: Central Florida Chapter of NIGP

INSTRUCTOR: [Ms. Kate M. Rotella, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, MPA](#)

LEVEL: Foundation

FORMAT: Virtual Instructor-Led

CONTACT HOURS: 16

CEUS: 1.6

A critical role that procurement practitioners serve is benefitting a procurement entity through the establishment of targeted initiatives. Practitioners must understand how to determine the impact of proposed programs. Also, practitioners must understand how to successfully communicate, monitor, and evaluate approved programs.

### Pricing: ?

Competency Module: Program Implementation and Management (Member: Early) \$420.00

Competency Module: Program Implementation and Management (Non-Member: Early) \$520.00  
(prices valid until Mar 10, 2023)

Spots available: 24

**INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION**

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For more information, visit: [Competency Module: Program Implementation and Management \(nigp.org\)](https://nigp.org/Competency-Module-Program-Implementation-and-Management)

## COURSE

# Competency Module: Talent Recruitment and Development, Succession Planning

DATE: 05/16/2023 - 05/17/2023

START TIME: 8:00 AM Eastern Time

END TIME: 5:00 PM Eastern Time

HOSTED BY: Central Florida Chapter of NIGP

INSTRUCTOR: [Mrs. Marcheta E. Gillespie, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPM, CPPB, FNIGP, C.P.M.](#)

LEVEL: Management

FORMAT: Virtual Instructor-Led

CONTACT HOURS: 15

CEUS: 1.5

Longevity and retention of staff for the governmental entity is critical for the long-term success of not just the procurement function but the entity at large. For the procurement professional, the ability to effectively manage the development of staff and external resources is a critical function to the greater need of sustainable management.

### Pricing: ?

Competency Module: Talent Recruitment & Development, Succession Planning (Member: Standard) \$445.00

Competency Module: Talent Recruitment & Development, Succession Planning (Non-Member: Standard) \$545.00

(prices valid until May 10, 2023)

Spots available: 22

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## COURSE

# Core Certificate: Foundations of Strategy and Policy

DATE: 06/15/2023 - 06/16/2023

START TIME: 8:00 AM Eastern Time

END TIME: 5:00 PM Eastern Time

HOSTED BY: Central Florida Chapter of NIGP

INSTRUCTOR: Ms. Denise E. Badillo, NIGP-CPP, CPPQ, CPPB

LEVEL: Foundation

FORMAT: Virtual Instructor-Led

CONTACT HOURS: 17

CEUS: 1.7

As stewards of the public trust, public procurement professionals are expected to demonstrate strategic value to stakeholders throughout both their governmental entities and the suppliers with whom they work. Providing an overview of the ever-changing profession by identifying concepts, common legal and ethical issues, and the precise role of both the procurement function and the public procurement professional in governmental entities, the Foundations of Strategy and Policy Core Certificate provides learners with a holistic, introductory focus on the profession, using practical examples, discussions, group exercises, and case studies to promote application-ready experiences. As a career orientation or refresher course detailing the basic tenants of the public procurement function, NIGP's Foundations of Strategy and Policy Core Certificate promotes targeted activities and implementable concepts designed to enhance the mission and strategic value of your entity, empowering learners to become more confident in their role as they perform the procurement function in line with commonplace legal requirements and ethical standards.

### Pricing: ?

Core Certificate: Foundations of Strategy and Policy  
(Member: Early) \$400.00

Core Certificate: Foundations of Strategy and Policy  
(Non-Member: Early) \$500.00  
(prices valid until Apr 16, 2023)

Spots available: 22

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## COURSE

# Core Certificate: Foundations of Planning and Analysis

DATE: 07/20/2023 - 07/21/2023

START TIME: 8:00 AM Eastern Time

END TIME: 5:00 PM Eastern Time

HOSTED BY: Central Florida Chapter of NIGP

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. John Lee Robinson, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPSM, CPPB, C.P.M.

LEVEL: Foundation

FORMAT: Virtual Instructor-Led

CONTACT HOURS: 15

CEUS: 1.5

For the public procurement professional, the ability to think strategically for both the procurement function and the larger governmental entity as a whole is critical to serving the communities in which we live and work. Designed to outline proactive, applicable approaches to ensuring best practice guidance and implementation, NIGP's Foundations of Planning and Analysis Core Certificate empowers novice public procurement professionals to better identify and articulate the goals and objectives of public procurement. Outlining and exploring critical skills such as strength and weakness evaluation, opportunities and threat analysis, and stakeholder-end user engagement, the Foundations of Planning and Analysis certificate prepares learners with base-level interactive and exercise-driven instruction, providing best practice guidance to help you not only lead your entity to successful risk-averse strategy but also to secure the best benefit for stakeholders and communities alike.

### Pricing: ?

Core Certificate: Foundations of Planning and Analysis (Member: Early) \$356.00

Core Certificate: Foundations of Planning and Analysis (Non-Member: Standard) \$545.00  
(prices valid until May 21, 2023)

Spots available: 22

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## COURSE

# Advanced Legislation and Legal Environment

**DATE:** 09/19/2023 - 09/20/2023

**START TIME:** 8:00 AM Eastern Time

**END TIME:** 5:00 PM Eastern Time

**HOSTED BY:** Central Florida Chapter of NIGP

**INSTRUCTOR:** Mr. Ronald Lacy King, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB, VCM, VCO

**LEVEL:** Advanced Practitioner

**FORMAT:** Virtual Instructor-Led

**CONTACT HOURS:** 16

**CEUS:** 1.6

While not lawyers or representatives of the legal sector, today's public procurement professional is expected to be well versed in the application of legal limits within the procurement. As such, the aptitude of procurement professional to make legally informed decisions is imperative.

### Pricing: ?

Advanced Legislation and Legal Environment  
(Member: Early) \$356.00

Advanced Legislation and Legal Environment (Non-Member: Standard) \$545.00  
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Spots available: 24

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- Live class #4: August 28th, 1 – 4 pm ET

**Book & Materials:** The following book will be utilized throughout the course and is sold separately.\*

*Supplier Diversity for Dummies*, Wiley

ISBN-10 : 1119843014 | ISBN-13 : 978-1119843016

Digital or hard copies of the book can be ordered at the below links or wherever books are sold:

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## **Legislative Updates** **Filed By: Cheryl D. Raiford and Jennifer Smith** **CFCNIGP Legislative Task Force Co-Chairs**

The Florida Legislature wraps up their session on June 31, 2023. During the first week of May, the Task Force will be reviewing the bills to evaluate the final actions and to track whether the Governor signs them into law. In the meantime, a list of the bills the Task Force is tracking, and a summation of their impact is available on the Chapter's website under Documents and Files/Legislative Updates. As of mid-April, the Task Force is tracking the following bills:

SB 64 & HB 425 – Department of Transportation

HB 425 & SB 64 - Transportation

SB 32 & H7011 – Florida Statutes

HB 331 & SB 624 – Liens and Bonds (Revises & Bond Laws)

SB 624 & HB 331 – Liens and Bonds (Revises Construction Lien Law)

HB 383 & SB 346 – Public Construction (Revises the Definition of Public Works Project)

SB 346 & HB 383 –Public Construction (State or Local Funds)

SB 304 & HB 1239 – United States-produced Iron and Steel in Public Works  
Projects

HB 457 – Construction of Educational Plant Space

SB 1188 & HB 1156 – Contract Liability

HB 1159 & SB 1188 – Contract Services Contract Liability Limits

SB 830 – Competitive Award of Public Construction Works Contracts

SB 284 & HB 1025 – Energy

HB 1025 & SB 284 – Government Vehicles

HB 397 – Public Meetings

SB 1264 – Public Records Fees

HB 249 – Level 2 Background Screenings

HB 37 & SB 774 – Financial Disclosures for Local Officers

SB 774 & HB 37 – Financial Disclosures for Local Officers (Rules Committees)

SB 170 & HB 1515 – [Local Ordinances](#)

HB 1515 & SB 170 – Local Ordinances (Part II)

## Legislative Updates (continued)

HB 241 & HB 199 – Ethics for Public Officers and Employees of Special Tax Districts

HB 199 & HB 241 – Conflicting Employment or Contractual Relationships for Public Officers or Employees

HB 123 & S1646 – Commercial Service Airport Transparency and Accountability

HB 975 & HB 798 – Solid Waste Collection

HB 2 – Government & Compare Activism

HB 701 & SB 760 – Wrecker Operators

HB 918 & SB 974 – Small Business Certification

HB 487 & SB 1158 – Department of Financial Services

SB 1158 & HB 487 – Department of Financial Services (Part II)

SB 924 & HB 1355, HB 835, HB 924, SB 264 – Interests of Foreign Countries

In mid-May, keep an eye on the website for a final list of which bills, if any, became law, including their effective dates, and a summation of the impact.



## CERTIFICATION SUPPORT

### Question of the Day by David Nash

*The goal is simple: To assist public procurement professionals in preparing for the CPPO, CPPB and NIGP-CPP exams, one question at a time.*

*Since the creation of the online Question of the day in 2007, more than five thousand public procurement professionals from across the United States and Canada have participated in this endeavor by responding to questions sent to them via daily emails. Participants may also pose questions that they encounter during their independent or group studies.*

<http://www.qoftheday.net/>

#### *Your Facilitator*



David E. Nash, CPPO, CPPB, NIGP-CPP: NIGP certified instructor with over 45 years of experience in logistics and public procurement.



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**Mentors and Mentees needed!**



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Greetings all!

Scholarships were awarded at the, wait for it, huge figure of \$5.00 per point. This is all due to the hard work our membership puts in to the reverse trade show. The latest log, with all awards noted, is available on the website. If you have any questions about your balance, please reach out so we can research.

*Chris Coghill*

Chris Coghill, NIGP-CPP, CPPO, CPPB

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Hello fellow NIGP'ers!

Just announced from UCF! A job shadow program known as "Knight Shadow" is planned to be reinstated for the Summer 2023 term after being dormant for the past couple semesters. Details are expected by early May, but this program typically provides a student(s) an opportunity to be matched with someone in an industry or field of their career interest for a full-day job shadow experience. I personally have participated in this terrific program for several years and find it to be an excellent opportunity to share perspectives of roles in the purchasing and contracting career field. All Chapter members are encouraged to participate if possible, and more details and registration guidance will be forthcoming soon. Thank you.

## Benefits of Participating

- Build your organization's brand
- Develop a pipeline of talent for internship or full-time opportunities
- Help student's explore different career options
- No cost way to give back to the UCF community

## Typical Activities of Job Shadow Day

The specific activities involved in a job shadowing experience vary between hosts and industries, and between in-person and virtual opportunities. Some common activities include:

- A presentation on the organization
- A panel or meet and greet of current interns and/or alumni
- Observing job duties and client interactions
- Attending meetings or office events
- Office tours
- Learning about internship/career opportunities within the organization
- Reviewing the student's resume, LinkedIn profile, and other professional development materials
- An informational interview

Respectfully submitted,

John Schmidt

Chair, Internship/Externship Committee

## COMMUNITY SERVICES



The Central Florida Chapter is looking for ways to give back to the community.  
Please reach out if you have a service event or charity for consideration for 2022/2023.

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Non-Members

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### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**Shola Richards**

CEO and Founder of Go Together Global (TM)



**Jess Pettitt**

"Why Diversity Initiatives Fail"



**Jimmy Yeary**

Song Writer and Speaker

# Virtual Conference



## Discover your Potential

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Join us and access expertly curated content taught by industry leading practitioners who will share the foundations to kick-start your career. You will get the essential knowledge, tools, and resources to discover your potential in public procurement.

- Attendees will have a total of eight educational sessions to choose from in total throughout the conference.
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#### **Pricing: ?**

NIGP Headliner: Overcoming Current Supply Chain  
Issues (Member: Standard) \$79.00

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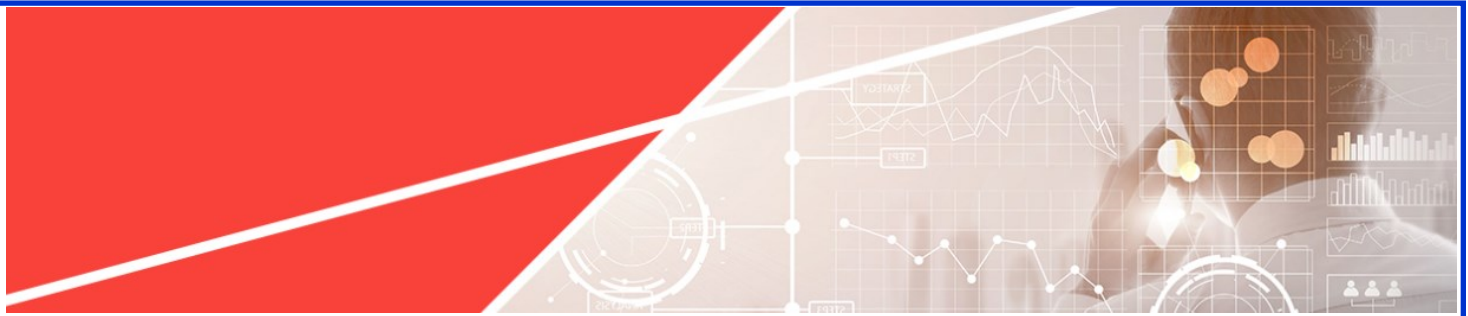
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 Webinar


**MAY 30**

**Webinar - When you speak, do others listen?**

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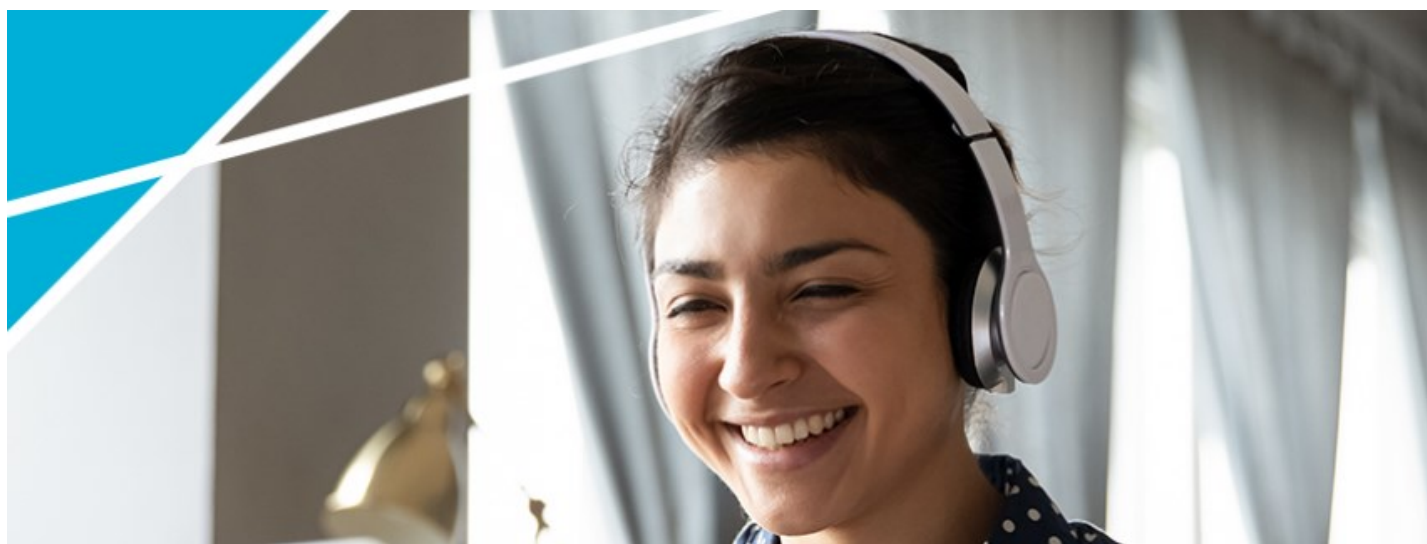
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Do you want to start earning your Pathway's badges and certificates? Go to the NIGP's website and lookup the various classes so you can start earning your badges!

**Contact:** Lisa Kesecker, CPPB, Pro-D Chair  
[lisa.kesecker@osceolaschools.net](mailto:lisa.kesecker@osceolaschools.net)



# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

PROCUREMENT U AFFILIATE

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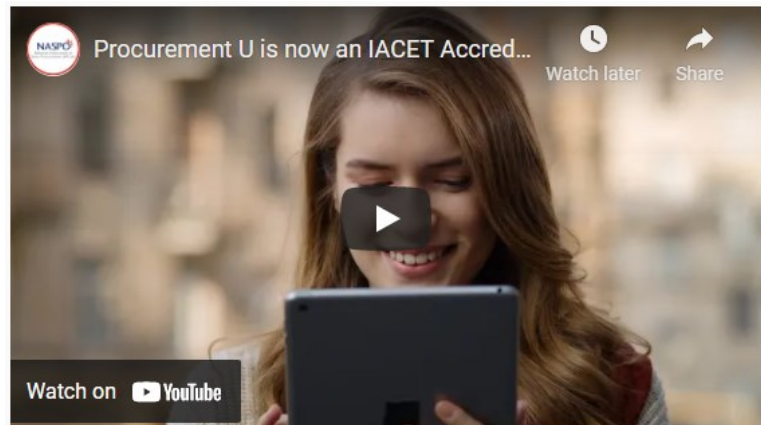
## PROCUREMENT U FREE COURSES - GIVE BACK PROGRAM

### Our Gift to You

Throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic, procurement professionals have led the way in procuring critical PPE and essential needs for state and local governments across the country during this unprecedented time. As a small token of our profound appreciation for everything you do, we are making ALL *Foundational Procurement* courses totally FREE.

This "Procurement U Gives Back" Program is also a celebration of a major milestone for Procurement U: we are now an IACET Accredited education provider! Watch the video to learn more about what this prestigious honor means for us, and for you.

Below are details on the changes happening right now as a part of our Give Back Program and how you can take advantage of this unparalleled offer. We encourage you to explore the opportunities available and check our website often, as we have even more new and exciting things coming soon. Enjoy!



### FREE SELF-PACED COURSES

The core of Procurement U is comprised of our online courses available on our Learning Management System (LMS). As a part of this new Give Back Program, we are making all *Foundational Procurement* courses available for free. This includes over 25 contact hours of online course instruction, completely free.

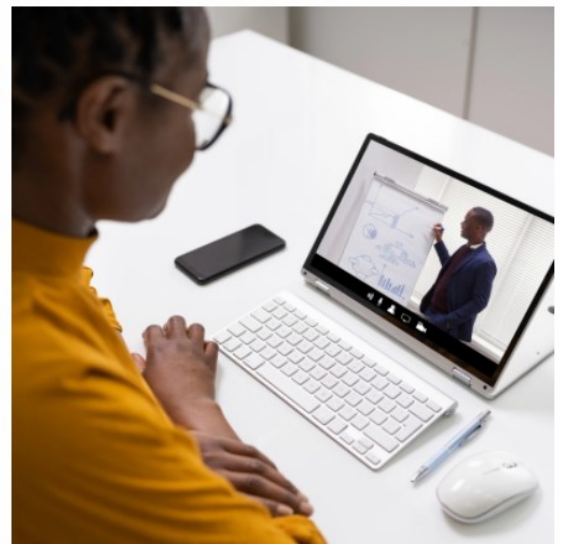
To enroll in one of these free courses, click the "Free Courses" button below, sign up or log in, and explore the catalog.

[FREE COURSES](#)

### NEW! FREE WEBINAR RECORDINGS FOR CONTACT HOURS

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# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES – STUDY GROUP

UPPCC CERTIFICATION

## CPPB / CPPO STUDY GROUP 2023



### Spring Exams: May 1-13, 2023

Exam App Window Opens	Apply By	Apply w/Late Fee By	Schedule Exam By*
Nov 1	Feb 28	March 14	Apr 11

2021 UPPCC BoK-C: CPPO

### Fall Exams: Oct 16-18, 2023

Exam App Window Opens	Apply By	Apply w/ Late Fee By	Schedule Exam By*
May 18	August 14	Aug 28	Sep 16

2021 UPPCC BoK-C: CPPB

#### UPPCC Body of Knowledge & Competency (BoK-C) Domain Areas

	CPPO Exam	CPPB Exam
Legal Framework	15%	14%
Procurement Planning and Analysis	17%	18%
Sourcing and Solicitation	20%	23%
Contract Development and Management	17%	21%
Leadership	18%	11%
Business Principles	13%	13%

The VIRTUAL CFC NIGP CPPB/CPPO Study Group is under way for Spring 2023. We meet on Fridays from 11:00am - Noon EST and will continue to do so through Friday, May 5, 2023. The study group will then be on hiatus until the fall session begins Friday, July 28, 2023.

Registration is available on the chapter's website for the spring session at [www.cfcnigp.org](http://www.cfcnigp.org), under upcoming events. Registration for the fall session will be available this summer. If you have questions please contact Nick Canjar at [cfcstudygroup@cfcnigp.org](mailto:cfcstudygroup@cfcnigp.org).

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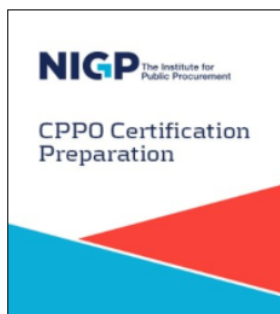
[CPPPO AND CPPB ONLINE ASSESSMENT TOOLS](#)

## CPPPO and CPPB Prep Guides

This CPPPO and CPPB Certification Preparation Guides are designed to help prepare you for the **Certified Public Procurement Officer** and **Certified Public Procurement Buyer** examinations. Both guides and the certification examination are based on the **2021 UPPCC Body of Knowledge**. While the actual examination questions are held in the strictest confidence by the UPPCC, by basing this preparation guide on the same foundation as the test questions, it can serve as a focused study guide.

 **NOTE:** A hard copy of the Prep Guide is included with an in-person Prep Course registration. A digital version is included with an online course registration.

The CPPPO or CPPB Prep Guides are also available for purchase in the NIGP Bookstore in both hard copy and a digital ebook. Purchase your copy today!



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- NIGP's CPPPO and CPPPB Prep Courses provide a review of key topics identified in the 2021 UPPCC Body of Knowledge and Competency.
- The Prep Courses help you to assess your strengths and weaknesses as they relate to the subject matter.
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- Course registration **includes** a hard copy of the Prep Guide with an in-person Prep Course registration or a digital copy for an online course registration.
- Addresses all six domains of the Body of Knowledge and Competency.
- Describes the testing environment for the certification examinations.
- Explains the various methods of study that will help prepare for the examination.

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## CPPPO and CPPPB Exam Study Tools

### CPPPO/CPPPB PREP GUIDES AND COURSES

These tools offer convenient 24/7 access starting the day you register and can help you get comfortable navigating computer-generated exams. These tools test your strengths and weaknesses within the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC) Body of Knowledge and Competency (BoK-C) and align with the six domains covered in the CPPPO and CPPPB BoK-C Exams.

*Disclaimer: The questions on these assessments ARE NOT found on the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC) Certification Exam. These questions simulate the format and types of questions asked and are intended as a study aid to review subject matter relevant to the UPPCC Body of Knowledge and Competency. Using an assessment tool does not guarantee a passing grade on the UPPCC Certification Exam.*

### CPPPO AND CPPPB ONLINE ASSESSMENT TOOLS

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If you have previously purchased one of the online assessment tools and want to purchase it again, please call Customer Care at 1-800-367-6447.



# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES – STUDY GROUP

GET A PREP COURSE FOR FREE

**Did you take a CPPO or CPPB Prep class with NIGP after July 1, 2021 but didn't pass the Exam?**

*One Time Use Only*

[CONTACT.CUSTOMERCARE@NIGP.ORG](mailto:CONTACT.CUSTOMERCARE@NIGP.ORG)

**For all of those that just missed it during the fall exams, NIGP may have just what you need! Contact Customer Care and see how they can help you!**

<https://www.nigp.org/certification/cppo-cppb-exam-prep>

## Recommended UPPCC Exam Prep Timeline

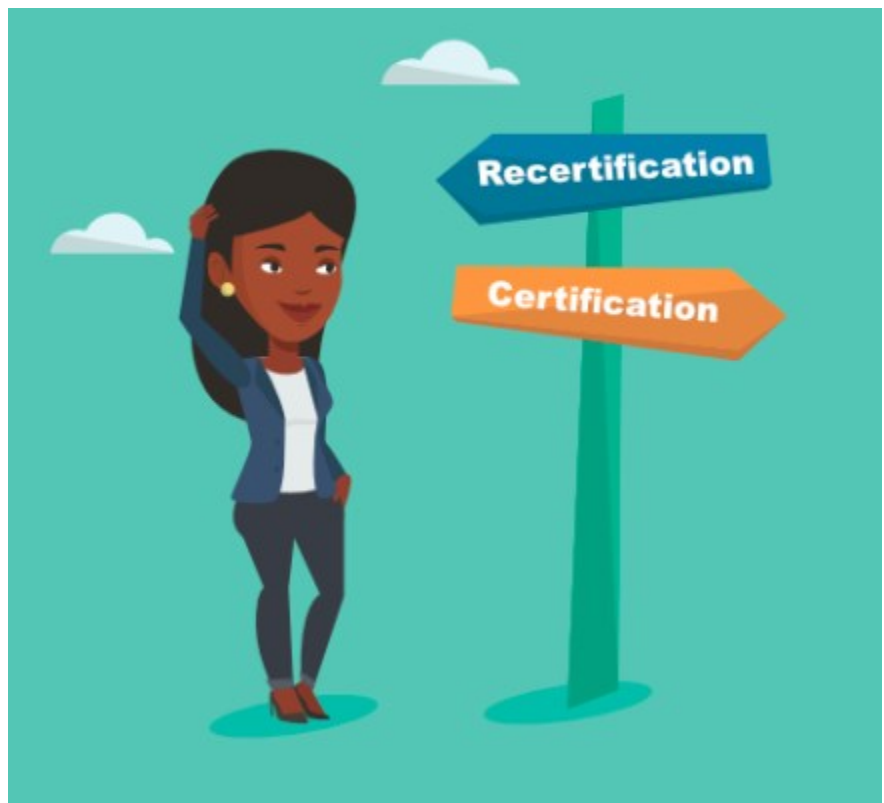
<p>Purchase the CPPO or CPPB online assessment tool for a virtual test prep experience that features over 325 study questions to help you identify your strengths and weaknesses.</p>	<b>6 Months Before Exam</b> Assess where you are
<p>Choose NIGP courses to fill your knowledge gap. NIGP's coursework aligns with the UPPCC's body of knowledge by domain.</p> <p><a href="#">VIEW BOK-C ALIGNMENT</a></p>	<b>5 Months Before Exam</b> Review BOK and Choose Courses
<p>NIGP's CPPO and CPPB prep courses are available online and in-person. They address key information on topics identified in the UPPCC BoK-C and can help you identify areas you need to continue studying.</p> <p><a href="#">VIEW CPPO COURSES</a></p> <p><a href="#">VIEW CPPB COURSES</a></p>	<b>4 Months Before Exam</b> Take a Prep Course
<p>Now that you know your strengths and weakness, it's time to study! Form a small study group to get unique topic perspectives, and follow our study guide for helpful tips and advice.</p> <p><a href="#">READ STUDY GUIDE</a></p>	<b>3 Months Before Exam</b> Study
<p>Take the online assessment tool again to see where you have made progress and which areas still need development.</p>	<b>2 Months Before Exam</b> Re-assess
<p>Use the three volumes of animated online flashcards for a fun and quick way to master essential procurement terms and definitions from the NIGP Dictionary.</p>	<b>1 Month Before Exam</b> Personal Study Time

### CPPB and CPPO May Recertification is Fast Approaching.

Since CPPB and CPPO testing is only May and October then May and October are also recertification time. You may have either or both CPPB and CPPO certifications, so you can choose which is best for you. CPPB (Active or Lapsed), CPPO (Active or Lapsed), and Dual (Active or Lapsed).

The Dual for first time is the most complicated because you must co-term each the CPPB and CPPO. This is to say the first certification either CPPB or CPPO that is coming up for recertification you must then term your second certification to that same end date no matter if you just received it 6 months ago. The good news is that you will save every time you dual recertify in the form of time putting the application together verses separate and monetary instead of \$265 for each this year to \$365 for both (if National NIGP Member).

So, for the May recerts, your time is coming quickly. Remember that the day after your certification expires then you will have to process the application for a lapse certification. Don't let them lapse. Keep an eye focused on the expiration dates we work to hard to get these certifications to let them go that easy. For another incentive, it cost 64% more to make your individual certifications active again and 70% more for your dual recertification. If you would like the full guide to recertification then click on [https://uppcc.org/Portals/0/Current UPPCC Recertification%20Guide 02 15 23.pdf](https://uppcc.org/Portals/0/Current%20UPPCC%20Recertification%20Guide%2002%2015%2023.pdf). At any-time please call if you need any assistance.



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### UPCOMING NIGP-CPP WEBINARS

**MAR  
1**

**Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: Connecting Certification to Your Learning and Career Aspirations**

Webinar

**MAY  
3**

**Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: Connecting Certification to Your Learning and Career Aspirations**

Webinar

**APR  
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**Webinar - NIGP Certified Procurement Professional: Connecting Certification to Your Learning and Career Aspirations**

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**JUN  
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## NIGP PATHWAYS

PERSONALIZED LEARNING FOR TODAY'S AGILE PROFESSIONAL

### Get to Know Pathways

TOPIC:

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Pathways

Specialization Certificate



Core Certificates



Designations

SPECIALIZATIONS



Learn more at <https://www.nigp.org/learning/what-is-pathways>.



**Membership Meeting Minutes  
March 24, 2023**

**Start: 9:15 AM**

**Ended: 9:50 AM**

**Welcome – Tabatha Freedman, President**

- **Welcome Guests**
  - Kaela Williamson, City of St. Petersburg
  - Steven Boswell, Pasco County
  - Sakha Reed, City of St. Petersburg
  - Doug Steiger, Pasco County
- **Recognition of New Members**
  - Tracy Bailey, City of Titusville
  - Jenna Allen, Orange County
  - Maribel Pietri-Laboy, GOAA
  - Maria Hritz, City of Leesburg
  - Mary Perez, City of Deltona
  - Andy Mogle, City of Avon Park
  - Jessica Waldron, Brevard County Public School
  - Triana Casteel, Brevard County Public School
  - Jamie DeMelo, City of St. Cloud
  - Jennifer Smith, City of Palm Bay
  - James Norris, Brevard County
  - Nate Rubel, City of Port St. Lucie
  - Alvin Borges, Orange County

**Old Business**

- **Approval of Consent Agenda to include:**
  - Approval of Previous Minutes from the January 27, 2023, Membership Meeting
  - Approval of Bank Reconciliations for the months of January 2023 and February 2023
    - Motion to approve by John Schmidt, Seconded by Kathy Saldutti
    - No Discussion
    - Motion Passed
- **Secretary's Report – Katrina Ponzini**
  - **Spotlight Member, March 2023**
    1. Congratulations to Igneris "Neri" Lopez for her contributions to the Scholarship Committee and the processing of the 2022 Scholarship Applications.
  - **Family Day, May 6, 2023**
    1. Brevard Zoo, Saturday, May 6, 2023, 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM
    2. \$10.00/person for up to 5 people per party; food is on your own
    3. Registration is available on the website through April 14, 2023

- May Newsletter, Procurement Month Proclamations
  1. Please forward any Procurement Month Proclamations to Katrina Ponzini for inclusion in the May 2023 newsletter.
- Treasurer's Report – Sean Hynes
  - Chapter Website
    1. Transitioning to NIGP hosted website with ClubExpress
    2. Current website will go offline in April 2023
    3. No new member profiles are required, username and temporary password will be emailed to each member when available
    4. If you are interested in assisting with the new website, please reach out to Sean Hynes
  - Member Benefits Presentation and Brevard Co-Op
    1. Presentation was successful, 3 agencies joined
    2. If you are interested in hosting a presentation, please reach out to Sean Hynes
- Vice President's Report – Chris Coghill
  - Programming Updates
    1. May 12, 2023, Membership Meeting (Virtual and In-Person)  
Renaissance Senior Center/South Econ Community Park  
Carrie Roberts, Purchasing Director, Pasco County Government, presentation on cybersecurity
    2. July 14, 2023, Membership Meeting (Virtual and In-Person)  
Renaissance Senior Center/South Econ Community Park  
Presentation by our Chapter Ambassador(s)
    3. September 29, 2023, Fall Workshop (Virtual and In-Person)  
Renaissance Senior Center/South Econ Community Park  
TBD, possible NIGP Educational Course Topic
    4. December 8, 2023, Membership Meeting (Virtual and In-Person)  
Renaissance Senior Center/South Econ Community Park  
State of the Chapter and dessert contest
    5. If anyone has programming ideas for 2024, please reach out to Chris Coghill
  - Scholarship Updates
    1. Scholarship Log
      - Updated as of March 16, 2023, located on the website
      - Log including all scholarship redemptions to be updated the week of March 27, 2023
    2. Highest point value in CFC history at \$5.00/point

- President's Report – Tabatha Freedman
  - Awards
    1. Buyer of the Year: Wil Henzmann, Brevard County Public Schools
    2. Volunteer of the Year: Nick Canjar, City of Palm Bay
    3. Above & Beyond: Sean Hynes, Orange County
  - Pro-D Scholarships
    1. Raffle conducted by episodic committee on March 1, 2023
    2. Two (2) members for in-person Forum; eleven (11) members for virtual Forum; and three (3) members for CFCNIGP hosted classes
  - Area 5 Email
    1. Collaborative trade show email to include events from Chapters across the State of Florida
  - Committees
    1. Many committee positions are filled
    2. If you would like to volunteer on a committee, even one that has members on it, please reach out to Tabatha Freedman, you can be added to an existing committee
    3. It is not too early to volunteer for RTS
  - RTS Save the Date
    1. Wednesday, November 8, 2023

#### New Business

- Committee/Task Force(s) – Updates from Chairs
- Pro-D
  - Training Matrix has been updated as of March 21, 2023, and is available on the website
  - Virtual 2 Day Class, Effective Contract Writing, April 13 – April 14, 2023, <https://www.nigp.org/course/68791296-8c28-40f0-8ebf-3a59d623da27>
  - Virtual 2 Day Class, Competency Module: Program Implementation and Management, May 9 – May 10, 2023, <https://www.nigp.org/course/c971ed89-acde-43ec-ba2c-b8a2a2ec8ad7>
  - Virtual 2 Day Class, Competency Module: Talent Recruitment and Development, Succession Planning, May 16 – May 17, 2023, <https://www.nigp.org/course/eab675c6-21ec-469d-981c-a1cd70f2b3a3>
  - Virtual 2 Day Class, Core Certificate: Foundations of Strategy and Policy, June 15 – 16, 2023, <https://www.nigp.org/course/80359c5d-21dd-4dac-a282-e0b25c3eee5e>
  - Virtual 2 Day Class, Core Certificate: Foundations of Planning and Analysis, July 20 – 21, 2023, <https://www.nigp.org/course/1b6f018b-5192-4537-9e03-5196a0f013a1>
  - Virtual 2 Day Class, Advanced Legislation and Legal Environment, September 19 – 20, 2023, <https://www.nigp.org/course/d9613d2a-321c-4f4f-9e8a-3f31641e67f6>
  - If interested in hosting a class, please reach out to Lisa Kesecker

- Study Groups
  - Group meets on Fridays from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
  - For the May 2023 exam, the group will meet through May 5, 2023
  - Participants average 12-13 per week
  - Registration is available on the website
  - New group email is [cfcstudygroup@cfcnigp.org](mailto:cfcstudygroup@cfcnigp.org)
  - If interested in participating, please reach out to Nick Canjar
- Mentoring
  - Actively seeking mentors (specifically from School Boards) and mentees
  - Updates to policies have been made
  - If interested in participating, please reach out to Fatima Calkins
- Audit
  - Audit completed
  - Documentation was very comprehensive
  - Board was provided with two (2) suggestions
- Recognition of New Certifications
  - NIGP-CPP, Melissa Couture, KUA
- Job Postings
  - Procurement Specialist, City of Clermont
  - Commodities & Contractual Services Manager, Florida Department of Transportation
  - Senior Procurement Contracting Officer, City of Port St. Lucie
  - Senior Purchasing Agent, GOAA
  - Senior Buyer, Osceola County School District

**Chapter Meeting Is Adjourned, 9:50 AM**

- Motion to approve by Kathy Saldutti, Seconded by Wil Henzmann



## Membership Meeting Agenda

May 12, 2023

12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

11:45 AM Registration  
12:00 PM Lunch  
12:30 PM Chapter Business Meeting  
1:00 PM Presentation

### Welcome – Tabatha Freedman, President

Introductions, Welcome Guests & Recognition of New Members

### Old Business

#### Consent Agenda

- Item 1: Approval of Previous Minutes
- Item 2: Approval of Bank Reconciliations

#### Secretary's Report - Katrina Ponzini

- Spotlight Member
- Family Day

#### Treasurer's Report - Sean Hynes

- Chapter Website

#### Vice President's Report – Chris Coghill

- Programming Updates
- Scholarship Updates

#### President's Report – Tabatha Freedman

- Awards
- NIGP VCON Pro-D Scholarships
- Chapter Award - Performance Seal and Outstanding Awards

### New Business

#### Committee/Task Force(s) – Updates from Chairs

- Audit
- Legislative
- Pro-D
- Study Groups
- Internship/Externship/Mentoring
- Community Services
- Open Floor

#### Recognition of New Certifications

#### Job Postings, Announcements, New Positions, Purchasing News

#### Other New Business

### Chapter Meeting Is Adjourned

### 2023 DATES TO

### REMEMBER

May 12th

July 23rd

September 29th

Reverse Trade Show

November 8th

December 8th

### May 12th Meeting

### LUNCH MENU

Boxed Lunch