



Florida Association of Public Purchasing Officers

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Message From the President

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The Fall Workshop was held on Friday, October 20th at the Bahia Mar Beach Resort on Fort Lauderdale beach. Rey Palma and Barb Carter put together a great program judging by the comments of some of the more than 160 attendees. We did have some challenges as 27 folks showed up to register on site. The seating got a bit tight, but the hotel came through and, most importantly, we were able to provide everyone with lunch. In the future, it would be helpful if late registrants would at least fax in their registration form so we will know they are coming. We have to provide the hotel with headcounts in advance for room set-ups and meals.

Wayne Casper represented the National Purchasing Institute and presented the Award of Excellence in Procurement to many of the agencies in attendance at the workshop. Florida had 27 agencies win the award this year. About a dozen samples of successful AEP submittals were available for review and I was pleased to see that they had all been taken home by the end of the day. Hopefully, we will have even more winners next year.

The Board of Directors met on Thursday, October 19th, and covered a number of important topics, not the least of which was the decision to develop and issue an RFP for the hiring of an Executive Director. Per the association's by-laws, a committee consisting of the four current officers, one past president and two at-large members has been assembled. Immediate Past President Russ Wetherington has agreed to chair the committee. The at-large members will be Conrad Ailstock and John Klatt. I would like to thank Russ and his original research committee members Conrad Ailstock, Dick Cummings, Warren Geltch, Ray Hooper, Bobbye Marsala and Rey Palma for their hard work in putting together a recommendation for the board.

The Board also considered and approved the invitation of the Universal Public Purchasing Certification Council for FAPPO to provide a representative on the board of examiners for a three-year term. Any current FAPPO member who is a CPPO is encouraged to contact me if they have any interest in serving as an examiner. Preference will be given to those individuals who have been active in the association and demonstrated the ability to serve in such a responsible position.

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FAPPO OFFICERS

David Nash—President

Cheri Alexander—Vice President

Denise Schneider—Treasurer

Marian Howe—Secretary

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Another topic of discussion at the board meeting was a strategic planning session to be held next year in Orlando. There will be 15-20 members of the board assembling for a one-day meeting to formulate a strategic plan for FAPPO. As part of this effort, we will be soliciting input from the membership in the next few months through an e-mailed form. This will be an opportunity for everyone to participate in the process and help us develop a plan that can guide us through the next 4-5 years. If you have any ideas, thoughts or concerns on this matter, please forward them to Mark Raiford at mark.raiford@lakelandgov.net.

Our focus is now turning to the 40th Annual Spring Conference & Trade Show to be held April 30th to May 3, 2007 at the Bahia Mar Beach Resort in Fort Lauderdale. Joel Mariani and his committee will be issuing their first notice to vendors shortly. If you have vendors in your area who you think may find this event of interest, please direct them to the FAPPO website where more information is available. Cheri Alexander is assembling the program, while other committee members are hard at work to bring you a great conference. As always, if you want to help FAPPO in any way, give Pam Thompson a holler at pthompson@miamigardens-fl.gov.

Dave

David E. Nash, CPPO, CPPB

New Members – October 2006

Alan, Mark - School District of Broward County	Jenkins, Bobby - Broward County BOCC
Allen, Sonia - Port Everglades – Broward Co	Kraft, Deborah - Port Everglades – Broward County
Baker, Ronald - State of FLA – DMS	Lauricella, Richard - Broward County BOCC
Barker, Carol - School District of Broward Co	Licata, Leahann - Broward County BOCC
Ben-Asher, Phyllis-School Dist of Broward Co	Lloyd, Kay - School District of Broward County
Blackley, Charma - St. Johns County	London, Debra - Broward County BOCC
Boehs, Brian - City of Deltona	Major, Joyann - City of Miami
Butler, Danielle - City of Ft. Myers	Mangan, Constance - Broward County BOCC
Casey, Donna - Tampa Port Authority	Marshall, C. - Hillsborough County Water Resource
Crisp, Jacqueline - St. Johns County	Medina, Anna - City of Miami
Dauta, Michael - City of Boynton Beach	Miller-Simon, Lindell - Broward County BOCC
Davis, Kathleen - Broward County BOCC	Murray, Ozell - Port Everglades – Broward County
Davis, Marvin - Broward County BOCC	Nellis, Jennifer - City of Eustis
Dolby, Virginia - Daytona Beach Comm College	Nienhouse, Amanda – Palm Beach County BOCC
Evans, Veronica - School District of Broward Co	Nunn, Tiffany – Palm Beach County BOCC
Fernandez, Manuel-Hillsborough Co Water Resource	Perez, Mary - City of Deltona
Forsyth, Mark - LYNX/CFRTA	Pope, Bridget - St. Johns County
Gandarilla, Aimee - City of Miami	Robinson, Gary – Palm Beach County BOCC
Gasca, Zulma - Palm Beach County BOCC	Scott, Nancy - LYNX/CFRTA
Gatto, Joseph - Broward County BOCC	Toman, George - School District of Broward County
Gonzalez, Yusbel - City of Miami	Torrenza, John - Broward County BOCC
Harris, William - School District of Broward Co	Valdivia, Ilyse - City of Miami
High, Charles - School District of Broward Co	Whitaker, Marcy - Port Everglades – Broward Co
Houvouras, Jessica-Health Care Dist Palm Beach Co	

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NEW CERTIFICATIONS



David Bennett, CPPO, CPPB

Purchasing Analyst

FL Department of Management Services

Barbara Carter, CPPO, CPPB, FCPM, FCPA

Purchasing Analyst, Team Lead

FL Department of Management Services



Lynn Adams, CPPB

Purchasing Manager

Polk County School Board

Thomas Kortright, CPPB

Technical Buyer

Lee County Clerk of Courts

Cindy Luttfiring, CPPB

Sr. Staff Assistant

Seminole County

TREASURER'S MESSAGE

FAPPO DUES

Just a reminder if you would like your agency and the names of all of your Purchasing Professionals on your staff to appear in the 2007 FAPPO Membership Directory, we need your membership application and dues no later than November 30, 2006. Dues are now \$50 per person, which includes the late fee. New members still only pay \$40. The Membership directory is an invaluable tool for all of us, and the more contacts you have, the better off you are. Networking is one of the best things about FAPPO, so get signed up now! Membership applications are available on the FAPPO website or you can contact Denise Schneider via email at: denise.schneider@chsfl.org or pick up the phone and call her at 321-397-3000 ext. 208.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MESSAGE

If you have any changes to make to your membership information, please fax all change/correction request forms to Tammy Hodgkins at 407-665-3259. Thank you.

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WILLIAM R. "RUSS" ROTHMAN IS RETIRING

Retirement means no pressure, no stress, no heartache... unless you play golf. ~Gene Perret



Thank you for your commitment to including FAPPO in DMS's plans and helping to heal the tensions of the past. Your contributions have been greatly appreciated. Best wishes in retirement.

David Nash

Russ, Russ, Russ...we will miss you! Thank you for your invaluable assistance over the years. There were so many issues, such as Verizon, vendor registration for the Authority since we handle T-hanger rentals to state agencies, and numerous other occasions that you helped us with. Not to mention, your strong support of professionalism and re-building relationships. Best wishes to you and yours.

Thank you sincerely, your friend and colleague,

Cheri Alexander

Russ Rothman, Chief, CPPO **State Purchasing Operations, Department of Management Services**

Over the past 25 years, Mr. Rothman has served the citizens of the State of Florida as a Purchasing Agent, Purchasing Director, Purchasing Bureau Chief, and Chief of Purchasing Operations for the Department of Management Services (DMS). Prior to DMS, he worked for procurement department at the Florida Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles and the Florida Department of Labor & Employment Security.

His Private sector materials management experience includes one year with a distributor for Purdue Frederick pharmaceuticals outside Chicago, and thirteen months with GTE International as warehouse manager in consumer electronics at a factory in Sidi-bel-Abbes, Algeria. Mr. Rothman also speaks French. In addition to his CPPO certification, he is also a Florida Certified Purchasing Manager, Florida Certified Negotiator, a charter member and current president of the Tallahassee Chapter of NIGP, Vice Chair of NIGP's Education and Professional Development Committee, and a member of FAPPO.

Congratulations Russ on your Retirement! Will you be fishing or golfing.....or can we call on you to consult for us?? Enjoy every moment....you deserve it!

Denise Schneider

Russ Rothman is a man who has provided FAPPO members with knowledge and guidance. I truly do appreciate all of your assistance you have provided in the past years! You will be missed! Enjoy and visit us at FAPPO once in a while!

Marian Howe

If people concentrated on the really important things in life, there'd be a shortage of fishing poles. ~Doug Larson

CALENDAR OF CURRENT EVENTS

DATES	EVENT	DESCRIPTION/ INFORMATION
2/9/2007	Board of Director's Meeting	Bahia Mar Beach Resort Fort Lauderdale, FL
4/29/07	Meeting	Bahia Mar Beach Resort Fort Lauderdale, FL
4/30/07— 5/3/07	40th Annual Conference and Trade Show	Bahia Mar Beach Resort Fort Lauderdale, FL

LOOK AHEAD



DATES	EVENT	DESCRIPTION
3/12/07	Entity/Best Practice Submittals Due	Revised submission form will be posted to the website in the near future.
5/31/07	AEP Award Submittals Due	NPI's AEP award submittal dates have been moved up to accommodate distribution of awards at the NIGP 07 Forum
6/1/07	2007—2008 Dues	Dues for 2007—2008 will be increased to \$50.00 per member as voted on at the 2006 Annual Conference
8/4/07— 8/8/04	NIGP Forum	Hartford, Conneticut
10/1/2007	2007-2008 Dues	Dues paid after 10/1/2007 will incur a \$10.00 late fee ****PAY EARLY****
10/9/07	Board of Director's Meeting	Sarasota Hyatt
10/10/07— 10/12/07	2007 Fall Workshop	Sarasota Hyatt
4/21/08— 4/25/08	2008—41st Annual Conference & Trade Show	Sarasota Hyatt

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Additional Event Information

WEBSITE MEMBER CENTER—HIGHLIGHT

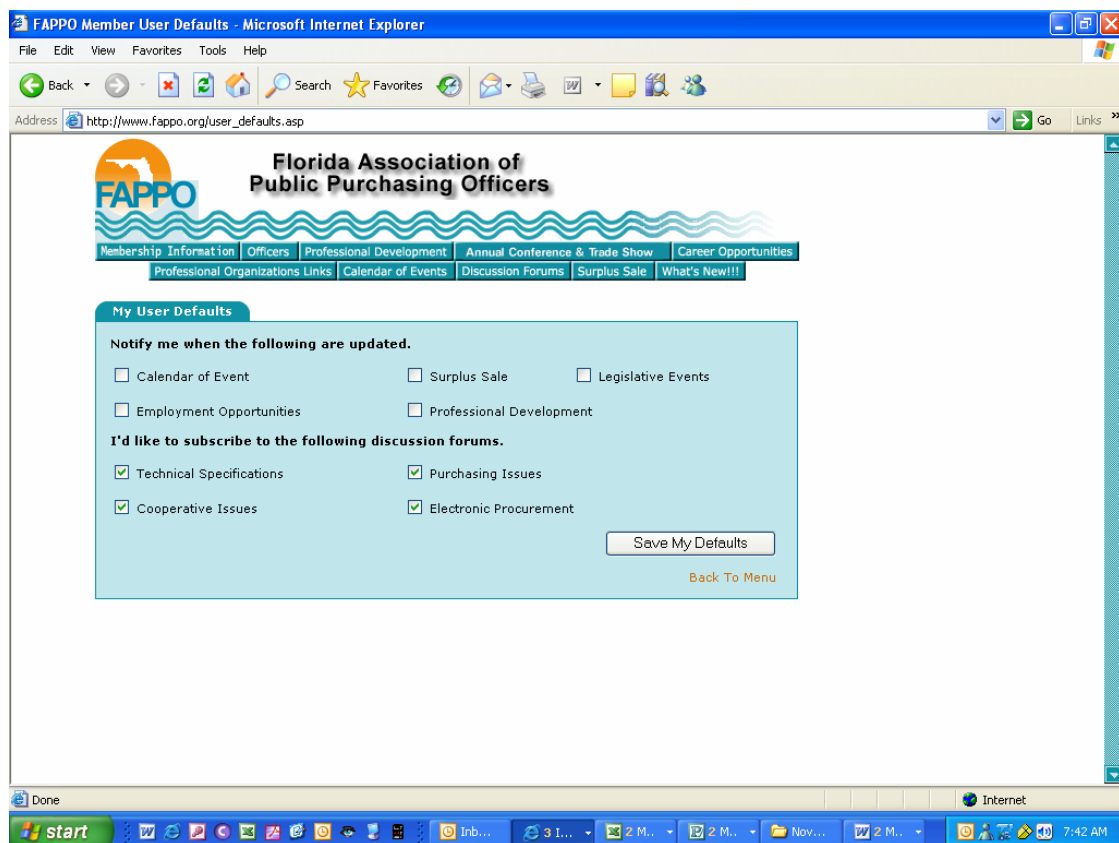
Set Your User Defaults!

Are you interested in signing up to one or more of the FAPPO discussion lists?... Or would you like automatic notifications when specific items are posted to the website?

The FAPPO website make these two functions very easy for members and just a couple of clicks away.

Sign on to the FAPPO Member Center and select “Set Your User Defaults”.

- Notification of events
- Subscribe to various discussion forums



Visit the Discussion Forum through the Member Center link at www.fappo.org

Would you allow a third party to video/audio tapes an evaluation selection committee meeting?

By Kirk W. Buffington, CPPO, C.P.M., MBA, City of Fort Lauderdale

If you answered no, you may be in violation of the Florida Sunshine Law, under a new ruling by the Court of Appeals, Second District of Florida.

In PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD v.SUNCAM, INC., the trial court ruled that an agency could not unilaterally refuse to allow the audio or video taping of a public meeting called by the agency. This ruling, if upheld, and not appealed, may very well also be applicable to evaluation committees and other appointed boards that are making recommendations to the governing authority.

The Pinellas County School Board scheduled a public meeting of the Special Services Selection Committee for the purpose of evaluating applications of general contractors for the remodeling, renovation, and new construction of Gibbs High School in Pinellas County. The courts found that the School Board complied with all other requirements of the Florida Sunshine Law, section 286.011, Florida Statutes (2001), with the exception of denying the request of Suncam, Inc. to videotape the proceedings.

The asserted justification for denial by the board was that participants in the meeting would not act normally while being videotaped and that this would impair the work of the committee. The ultimate issue for the court's determination was whether the board retained unfettered authority to deny videotaping of its otherwise public meeting. The courts answered the question in the negative.

The attorney general addressed this specific issue several years ago, Opinion 91-28 (1991). The attorney general stated: "A municipality may not prohibit a citizen from video taping the meetings of the city council through the use of non-disruptive video recording devices."

The attorney general concluded its opinion with the following statement:

"In previously considering a similar issue, the Attorney General stated that a rule which prohibits the use of all tape recorders, including silent taping devices that are neither distracting nor disruptive, was in conflict with the public policy of the state as interpreted under s. 286.011, F.S. While a public board may adopt reasonable rules and policies to ensure the orderly conduct of its public meeting and to require orderly behavior on the part of those attending, rules prohibiting the use of silent or non-disruptive tape recording devices would appear to be unreasonable and arbitrary and, therefore, invalid. "

OUTCOME: The appeals court affirmed the judgment of the trial court, and found that the Board had acted in violation of the Florida Sunshine Law.

RECOMMENDATION: although, it may feel disruptive, and make some committee members feel uncomfortable, if confronted with a person, or persons, desiring to record or video a selection and evaluation committee meeting, you should pay heed to the above court findings.

Kirk W. Buffington, CPPO, C.P.M., MBA, is the Director of Procurement Services at the City of Fort Lauderdale, and may be reached at kbuffington@fortlauderdale.gov

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VOLUNTEER!

The success of FAPPO depends on our members volunteering their expertise and services. Contact Pam Thompson, Volunteer Coordinator if you are interested in volunteering.

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Be a Volunteer!

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

FAPPO WANTS YOU TO VOLUNTEER



FAPPO is a great organization – made up of purchasing professionals who volunteer their time to ensure that this organization continues to be one we can all be proud of.

Throughout the years these volunteers have and continue to have demanding professional careers, families, and social obligations which require much of their time and energy. YET somehow, somehow, each and every volunteer manages to carve out time to get involved with FAPPO.

I am one of those people who many years ago agreed to co-chair a committee, thinking what's a few hours a year!!! Little did I know that I would have so much fun or how many close friends I would make by just agreeing to a few hours of time. These members are not only colleagues but true friends that I can rely on for work related issues, a shoulder to lean on when I need to discuss my job or just to chat.

You too can be as fortunate as me and can volunteer to help. There are many committees that need additional assistance and it only takes a few hours of your dedication to reap so many rewards.

So don't wait – get involved – volunteer now, contact Pam Thompson @ 305-622-8031 or e-mail: pthompson@miamigardens-fl.gov

CURRENT COMMITTEES LIST IS AVAILABLE AT
http://www.fappo.org/committee_directory.asp

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

POSITION	ENTITY
Purchasing Manager	City of North Port
Senior Buyer	Palm Beach County
Director of Administrative Services	City of North Miami Beach
Capital Improvements Procurement Administrator	City of Miami
Senior Contract Administrator	City of Melbourne
Purchasing Agent IV (Selection/ Negotiation Coordinator)	Broward County
Inventory Technician II	City of Sarasota
Purchasing Agent I, II	Volusia County
Director, Technical Procurement Services Division	Miami-Dade County—DPM
Deputy Director, Department of Procurement Management	Miami-Dade County—DPM
Procurement—Contracts Specialist	South FL Regional Trans Authority
Procurement Specialist II	City of Sarasota
Procurement Manager	City of Cape Coral
Purchasing Agent I	Desoto County BOCC

Want to advertise a Career Opportunity for your Entity? Visit the [FAPPO Member Center](#) and log on using your User Name and Password. Please note that you will be responsible for updating and removing the postings. If you need assistance to post or delete a position, contact Steven Saposnik, C.P.M., A.P.P, Web Site Liaison at saposnik@fau.edu.

VISIT THE FAPPO CAREER OPPORTUNITY LINK FOR
ADDITIONAL POSTING INFORMATION
http://www.fappo.org/job_post_results.asp



Florida Association of Public Purchasing Officers

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Tax I.D. Number 59-2615678

Check Desired Course (s)	Instructor	Title	Location	Dates	Cost
	Tony Ellis, CPPO	Get What You Need Through Successful Negotiation Strategies	Hollywood Beach and Community Center	Nov. 8 and 9, 2006 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	M \$490.00 N \$600.00
	C. B. Roberts, CPPO, CPPB	Contract Administration- LEAP SERIES	Lee County Training Facility - North Fort Myers	Dec. 4- 6, 2006 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	M \$300.00 N \$550.00
	To be announced	Legal Aspects of Purchasing- LEAP SERIES	City of Lake City	January 2007 – Exact dates to be announced	M \$300.00 N \$550.00
	To be announced	Get What You Need Through Successful Negotiation Strategies	City of Winter Park	February 7 and 8, 2007- 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	M \$490.0 N \$600.00
	To be announced	Developing and Managing RFP's – LEAP SERIES	Lee County Tax Collector Office- Fort Myers	March 21 – 23, 2007- 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	M \$300.00 N \$550.00
	Larry Barden, CPPO	Contracting for General Construction Services	To be announced	April 2007 – Exact date to be announced	M \$215.00 N \$275.00

Please check one: **M -- Member**

N – Non-Member

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Entity: _____

Address: _____

City: _____, FL Zip _____

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Payment arrangements must be made in advance. Make checks payable to: Florida Association of Public Purchasing Officers, Inc.

Note: Mail registration form and payment (No Purchase Orders/Credit Cards) to:
Karen Walbridge, C.P.M. CPPB—Purchasing Agent III Specialist—Broward County Purchasing Division
115 S. Andrews Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-4804

Phone: 954-357-5946

Fax: 954-357-8535

e-mail: kwalbridge@broward.org

NIGP BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The NIGP Board of Directors recently completed its Fall Board Meeting, and I would like to report back on the accomplishments and issues.

The most important goal during this most recent Board Meeting was to re-write the Institute's Strategic Plan to be aligned with the new Vision and Mission statements, which were adopted by the Board at our Spring Board meeting. On Thursday, the Board met with each of the national strategic committees (chairs and members) to realign each committee's strategic plan with the Institute's mission to develop, support and promote the profession. After our spring board meeting, the Institute's President, appointed a board member to each strategic committee to act as a board liaison. I was appointed to be board liaison with the newly reformulated Chapter Relations Committee. We had a great session on Thursday, October 19, prior to the Board meeting on Friday. One of the key initiatives to come out of the committee and to be adopted by the Board was to stress greater partnership opportunities between the Institute and its chapters by promoting greater use of broad technology initiatives to support the chapter's desires to online registration, online resource kits and greater web site support by the institute.

The key initiatives established through the strategic plan include:

- Obtaining accreditation from the American Council on Education by 2009 in an effort to earn college credit for NIGP training and experience
- Establishing ANSI standards through public procurement best practices by 2010
- Creating a procurement technician certificate by 2010 for those non-buyers who wish to transition to entry level buying positions
- Launching the Government Pricing Index (GPI) by 2007 as a market basket benchmark for the public sector
- Expanding relationships with academia through research, education and increased national memberships by students and faculty
- Targeting research studies that focus on K-12 public education, the federal/central governments, and special authority districts
- Expanding educational offerings through partnerships with professional associations and contractors
- Establishing international training and educational opportunities for emerging governments in Africa and elsewhere by co-hosting programs with Florida Atlantic University
- Providing greater partnership opportunities with NIGP's chapter affiliates through online registration options, online resource kits, chapter leadership mentoring, and web site support

In addition to the strategic plan revisions, the NIGP Board adopted the following actions during their Fall meeting:

- Approved changes to the Bylaws and policies that provide voting rights to individuals who are currently employed in public purchasing entities and to retired members. These individuals will be able to vote in the upcoming 2007-08 Board of Director elections.
- Adopted two resolutions on Strategic Sourcing and Social Responsibility that were developed by the Institute's Advocacy Committee
- Waived national membership fees for students and faculty as a stimulus for strengthening NIGP's presence in the college and university community
- Approved steps in developing a Procurement Response in Emergency Preparedness program (PREP), which, when implemented, will serve as a support network for members to proactively respond, aid and assist other members during natural disasters and other times of need.
- Appointed Corrine Culver and Bill Irish to terms on the LES Professional Development Foundation as NIGP's representatives
- Recommended that the Universal Public Purchasing Certification Council appoint Wendy Geltch and Jill Klaskin-Press to their Board of Examiners (BOE)

If you have comments or questions concerning any of the above activities at the Board meeting, or about any other topic, please do not hesitate to contact me. As always, I am at your service, and am very proud to represent FL and it's over 1600 professional NIGP members.

Kirk W. Buffington, CPPO, C.P.M., MBA
NIGP Board of Director's Representative, Region 8
kbuffington@fortlauderdale.gov

UPDATE—ENTITY AWARDS

ENTITY AWARDS / BEST PRACTICES APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE NOW

By: Keith Glatz, CPPO, Entity Awards Chairperson

This year, we plan on some exciting new changes to the Entity Award / Best Practices Award program, which should be of interest to the entire membership. Here is run-down of the details and changes for this coming year:

The Best Practices Award has now been divided into three (3) categories:

Innovation in the Purchasing Process – This award will spotlight a unique achievement in how we do our job. Innovations in practices, technology, creative use of existing technology, and /or best practices that promote effectiveness or a positive change or impact in the purchasing process. This category is for “out of the box” innovation.

Cost Savings – Best practices that promote cost savings for the Entity, either in terms of lower product/service costs, or lower administrative costs. Innovative techniques that improve the level of economy for the entity, or promote greater efficiency for the entire purchasing process will be considered in this area.

Contribution to the Advancement of Community, your Entity, or the Public Purchasing Profession – This award will focus on best practices that contribute to the overall social good, or that promote professionalism in public purchasing. This category reflects those practices that add value to the overall purchasing process and contribute to the overall good of the community or towards the achievement of the goals of the entity.

In addition, we will also give special recognition to outstanding entries for the Best Practices Award as well.

Unlike the past, the Entity Awards and Best Practices Awards ceremony will be scheduled during the opening plenary session instead of during the final banquet. This change will provide the opportunity for the outstanding Best Practices to be shared with the membership throughout the entire conference. Additionally, we are currently planning to provide Best Practice Award winners with the opportunity to discuss their submittal with the membership in a special session to be held during the spring conference.

The deadline for your submittal is **5:00 P.M. on Friday, March 9, 2007**. The application may be found downloaded from the FAPPO web-site, and sent to **Keith Glatz, CPPO, City of Tamarac Purchasing Division, 7525 NW 88th Avenue, Tamarac, Florida 33321**. Questions should be addressed to keithg@tamarac.org.

All winners will be notified prior to the conference, so that they will be able to have a representative of their organization available to receive their award during the opening session.

We are looking forward to your entry!

<http://www.fappo.org/awardsindex.html>



**Florida Association of
Public Purchasing Officers**

*Membership Application / Dues Invoice
June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2007*

Please type or print

Name: _____

Last	First	M.I.
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Certification: CPPO CPPB C.P.M. A.P.P. Other: _____

Title: _____

Entity: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ FL Zip+4: _____

Telephone: () _____ Fax: () _____

E-Mail: _____

Website: _____

*Include Entity's **Purchasing** Home Page, if applicable*

Check all that apply: Renewal Institutional Membership / Entity Check
 New Member Personal Membership / Personal Check

Regular or Associate Member: \$ 40^{.00}

Late Fee (after Sept. 1*): \$ 10^{.00}

** Late Fees do not pertain to New Members*

Dues paid by Check #: _____

Membership Directory on CD
Membership Directory in Hard Copy
Your annual copy of the Membership Directory will be available in December from the FAPPO website as downloadable PDF files, unless you mark a box (above) for a CD or a hard copy version.

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Please fill in this form completely, and return with your check (**no credit cards**) payable to ...

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Keith Glatz, CPPO

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Conrad Ailstock, CPPO, CPPB

Fall Workshop Chair—Rey Palma

Finance Committee

Chair—John Klatt, C.P.M., CPPO

Conrad Ailstock, CPPO, CPPB

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Vernetha Green, CPPB

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Rick Andrews, CPPB

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Josephine Grosch

Nominating Chair

Cheri Alexander, C.P.M., CPPB

NPI Awards—Sr. Rep— Bobbye

Marsala C.P.M., CPPO, CPPB

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CPPO

Past President—

Russ Wetherington, CPM, CPPB,
CPCM

Photography Chair—Leane

Suominen

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Nora Laudermilk, CPPB

Bobbye Marsala C.P.M. CPPO,
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Walter Pryor, CPPO

Sergeant-at-Arms—VACANT

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State Procurement/DMS Liaison

Bobbye Marsala C.P.M. CPPO,
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