Designated Federal Officer

- Terrie English  Designated Federal Officer

Members Present

- John Hughes  Memphis, TN  Member
- Robert Moretti  Great Falls, MT  Member
- Kristen Petersen  Colorado Springs, CO  Vice Chair
- Richard Russell  Owens Cross Roads, AL  Member
- Laura Snyder  Paris, France  Member
- Cheryl Williams  Shelton, WA  Chair

Members Absent

- Gina Gray  Nichols Hills, OK  Member
- Kimberly Mason  Chicago, IL  Member
- Tiffany Mosley  Santa Monica, CA  Member

Staff

- Terrie English, TAP Director
- Fred Smith, TAP Program Analyst
- Rosalind Matherne, TAP Program Analyst
- Debby Awalt, W&I
- Annie Gold, TAP Administrative Assistant

Member of Public

N/A

Roll Call

Quorum was met

Opening/Welcome – Terrie English

English welcomed everyone to the call. Cedric Jeans could not be on the call.

National Office Report – Terrie English

English shared the following:

- The 2020 candidate statements have all been posted on [www.TAPSpace.org](http://www.TAPSpace.org). A calendar invite was sent out to each member to attend the meet the candidate session. Members were encouraged to attend the session.
• Thank you to Heidi Hirschfeld, TAP Chair and Patrick Kusiak, TAP Vice Chair for keeping TAP on track. They helped keep TAP within the FACA guidelines. The TAP chair works a lot with English. She is looking forward to working with the person who steps into the position.

• There are very strong candidates. Members were encouraged to submit their names for the position.

• Members were reminded to submit their Activity reports timely. It is imperative to have the hours at the end of the year. The hours are used to determine what level of award will be given for the number of hours each member has put into the program.

• English participated in a Senior Management meeting where one of the decisions was the LTAs commitment for 2020 will be to contact members at least once per quarter. Members are to keep in mind there will be more traffic coming their way asking for participation in different events.

• Returning members were informed to continue doing Outreach activities and keep track of their hours for November, December and January. There is a continual resolution and if there is a lapse in funding, no Outreach will be done.

**Approval of Minutes**
September 2019 minutes approved.

**Chair Report – Cheryl Williams**
Williams welcomed everyone to the call. There were no announcements or comments from the Chair.

**Screening Committee Report**
Fred Smith stated the Screening Committee will have their next meeting on October 29, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. ET. They will review two new issues and determine if they will be worked by the Special Projects Committee. The end of the TAP year is approaching and depending on the complexity of these two issues, they will be placed in the Parking Lot to go into next year to be worked. The Screening Committee could email the Full Committee with their review to speed the process, if they should choose to address the review sooner.

**Subcommittee Updates**
**Subcommittee 1**
Richard Russell stated Subcommittee 1 has one issue ready to present to the Joint Committee. Moretti shared the following information

• Snyder, Russell and Moretti worked Issue 41405, Tax ID PIN Request Process. Subcommittee 2 suggested they add Issue 35423 to it. After researching they were able to find helpful ideas.

• Moretti had a conversation with his LTA who verified how hard it is for Taxpayers to get the ITPIN numbers.
Decision: Full Committee Consensus forward Issue 41405 to the Joint Committee.

Subcommittee 2
Williams stated Subcommittee 2 has one issue they recommend forwarding to the Joint Committee.
- Issue 35920, IRS Check Endorsement the Subcommittee was forwarded to members to review for approval
  Decision: Full Committee Consensus forward Issue 35920 to the Joint Committee.

Outreach- Bob Moretti
Moretti stated three members who have not submitted their Activity reports. Fred Smith will be reaching out to members to make sure all hours are accounted for. He will total the hours for each member to determine what recognition they are awarded. Smith added members can go back and capture hours missed or an event that was omitted. Snyder participated in an Outreach event that will appear in the October Newsletter.

Action Items:
Smith stated the Action Items:
- Forward two Issues to the Joint Committee; Issue 41405 and Issue 35920. Fred reminded the Members the Issues will go to the SA and Attorney Advisor. He will get them out this afternoon to be placed on their Agenda.
- Post approved September minutes

Committee Chair and Vice Chair Closing Comments
Williams asked Laura Snyder to share for closing comments. Snyder informed the Committee she has spent a lot of time on and is very passionate about the issue she is working. She stated it is a growing problem with individuals living overseas and their taxes. The problems are progressively difficult to ignore. She advocated for the individuals living overseas in Washington during her visit at the Association of American Residents. Snyder expressed how those individuals will look to TAP for assistance. It involves obtaining their Social Security numbers and the barriers they have with not being able to speak English and possibly having penalties imposed. US Tax system can be very complicated. One thing is a joint statement put out by the IRS, Social Security Administration and State Department that links citizenship of taxation, Social Security numbers and banking. It is across the media overseas of the bank accounts closing. Clarification was asked and further discussion on the issue was held with the Full Committee. Snyder recommends more awareness by IRS. Snyder will share more information with English and members.

Williams stated two comments:
- Candidates statements are on www.TAPSpace.org
• Williams is running for chair and Moretti is running for vice chair
• Williams will be writing information for the Annual Report. Members encouraged to email with their comments to be added.

Moretti stated there was an article in his local newspaper that said the Government will be looking at the FACAs. CDC, Center for Disease Control (read the information printed). English added TAP received on last year IRS needed to downsize some of the FACA groups. IRS collapsed and consolidated under 30%. Currently there are no concerns for TAP. Moretti stated this more reasons members need to show their activities and hours in the tracking report.

Smith added there will be a calendar invite sent to all members for the members who will be retiring off TAP. Members that will be returning to TAP were encouraged to attend. It is scheduled for November 22, 2019 beginning at 11:00 a.m. ET.

Closing
Jeans closed the meeting.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 14, 2019
11:00 a.m. EST, 10:00 a.m. CT, 9:00 a.m. MT, 8:00 a.m. PT

These minutes have been approved and certified by the committee chairperson.