

Significant Accomplishments for 2017

Governance

- Approved and initiated a search for a new full-time Executive Director
- Recommitted to Policy Governance methodology: rewriting policy manual into PG styled sections; recommitted to onboarding new directors within PG concepts
- Aligned FAB/Treasurer with Board's strategic focus and FMAS resources
- Re-Examining Ends Goals as strategic drivers
- Conducted three Race and Class Dialogue sessions, live streamed, and produced a video to highlight the conversation, courtesy of Kellogg Foundation (project inspired by governance but executed by staff and members)
- EPTF shared information with the Evidence-based Policy Commission which published its final report with a variety of evaluation references

Operations

- Attracted over 700 attendees (a record attendance, add'l 150 over 2016) to the newly relocated Summer Institute
- Navigated a transition to new GEDI Director host institution with a variety of changes to the program; assisted in the development of a GEDI Anniversary celebration
- TIG Council pilot program resulted in a concept to encourage TIG input on strategic and management items
- Management initiated a Professional Development Strategy
- Introduced the new lunch break courses
- Coordinated a new member benefit discount on books from Oxford Press
- Issued and approved two International Partnership Programs
- Initiated a pilot program with 1 Affiliate (Washington Evaluators) to test the concept of a shared membership brochure and shared data on membership inquiries
- Contract for new LMS system, transition begins after conference
- New abstract solicitation process for Summer Institute workshop content
- Onboarding of three new membership/operations staff team members (Laura DeMaria, Natalie DeHart, Milos Popovic)
- Integrated p2i website into the AEA website
- Built EOTF platform for ongoing program reporting and new program proposals, being piloted

Participated in conferences of other similar organizations to either share knowledge and network or to present including international and affiliate meetings:

- African Evaluation Association (AfrEA)
- Aotearoa New Zealand Evaluation Association (ANZEA)
- Atlanta-Area Evaluation Association
- Australasian Evaluation Society
- Canadian Evaluation Society
- CDC Annual Evaluation Conference
- Center for Culturally Responsive Evaluation Assessment
- Central American Development Bank and ReLAC Meeting in Costa Rica
- Chicagoland Evaluation Association
- Council on Foundations
- Eastern Evaluation Research Society
- Georgetown Roundtable on Social Impact
- Global Evaluation Forum
- iMilwaukee's meeting
- The Evaluation Center at Western Michigan University/Michigan Evaluators
- LAB@DC (DC govt)
- MERL Tech Annual Conference
- Michigan Evaluation Association
- ReLAC, REDLACME and the IDEAS Joint Conference (December 2017)
- South African Monitoring and Evaluation Association (SAMEA)

To be finished in 2018:

- Guiding Principles Task Force work started in 2017 and concludes in 2018
- TIG Council work on creating a model for TIG input on strategic and operational items. The year-long analysis resulted in a model being kicked off for 2018
- Diversity and Membership Engagement Task Force analyzed topic since summer 2016 will provide recommendations in 2018
- After 3 years of analysis, member input and validation, the Competencies Task Force will release final version of Competencies for approval by the Board of Directors
- Rollout of online Evaluation Oversight Protocol to pilot participants by volunteers/staff
- Distribution of the 2017 Member Survey