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SGMP Appoints New Education Trustees

ALEXANDRIA, VA—June 29, 2015—The Society of Government Meeting Professionals (SGMP) has named Patty Barron, CGMP, and Mark Richardson, CGMP, as trustees for its Gilmer Institute of Learning (GIL). Both new trustees are completing existing two-year terms of office through June 30, 2016.

Barron works for the VT Group supporting Cargo Helicopters Management Office in Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, and is a past Rocket City Alabama chapter president. Richardson is a sales manager at the Antlers Hilton in Colorado Springs and served as Rocky Mountain chapter treasurer.

“We are thrilled to add these exceptional volunteers to the national leadership team,” said Rob Coffman, CGMP, SGMP’s national president and GIL’s advisory chair. “SGMP again congratulates outgoing trustees Kimberly Forte, CGMP, and Ann Koralewski, CGMP, CMP, for their election this year to serve on our national board of directors.”

The mission of SGMP is to enhance and promote the expertise of government meeting professionals by improving the quality of and promoting the cost-effectiveness of government meetings. GIL enhances the purpose and goals of SGMP by providing support to members and chapters through educational opportunities, certifications, training, resources, scholarships and funding. SGMP bylaws allow for trustee vacancies occurring outside of general elections to be filled by national board appointment of the national president’s nomination.

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