2021-2022 GAAO COMMITTEES

Audit -

Chaplin -

Commercial Property -

The Commercial Property committee offers research and assistance in the valuation of commercial property in the State of Georgia and offers recommendations regarding legislative policy.

Director of Legislative Affairs -

The Director of Legislative Affairs is appointed by the President Elect during the annual summer conference. The Director is responsible for carrying legislative issues for the association, interacting with the Association of County Commissioners (ACCG), the Department of Revenue (DOR), legislators, and others involved in developing policy regarding assessment administration. The Director shall serve as a member of the Legislative Policy Committee and may serve as a registered lobbyist for GAAO.

Education -

The Education Committee addresses the education needs of Assessors and Appraisers in the State of Georgia. It determines topics of current interest, develops and presents one-day seminars sponsored by GAAO. This committee prepares a written annual report that is presented to the Education Steering Committee to offer input in to the Georgia Certification Program, sponsored by the DOR.

Elections -

The Elections committee is responsible for the proper conduct of the election to include certification of voters and ballots, the vote county and the declaration of elected officials. This committee may adopt and promulgate such rules and procedures as may be necessary to ensure the proper and orderly conduct of the annual election and submit to the Executive Board for approval.

Legislative Policy Statement -

The Legislative Policy Statement Committee is responsible for preparing the Legislative Policy Statement that is presented to the Georgia Legislature during each annual session. This purpose of the statement is to inform legislators and GAAO members of the concern and recommendations involving legislation or proposed legislation that affect property tax administration.

Membership & Promotions -

The Membership and Promotions committee is responsible for promoting membership in our professional organization. It Prepares brochures, flyers, and other promotional items as needed. The committee reviews the membership numbers and determines any needs for changing district lines.

Nominating -

The Nomination committee consists of not less than five (5) regular members in good standing and is responsible for selecting members in good standing as candidates for offices of President, President-Elect, Vice President and when applicable, open district positions on the Executive Board. The committee makes its presentation of selected nominees at the Semi-annual business meeting at Summer Conference. The Chair will also call for nominations from the floor at that time.

Office Policy and Procedures -

Develop and maintain templates of office policies and procedures that can be utilized by every county. Assist counties when needed with the implementation of office policies and procedures. Review changes to Georgia Law and the DOR Rules and Regulations to ensure policy and procedure templates remain current and viable.

Parliamentarian -

Personal Property -

The Personal Property Committee is responsible for addressing issues that deal with personal property taxation. It offers research and assistance in the area of assessment methodology and recommendations regarding legislative policy.

Professional Designation -

The Professional Designation committee looks for innovative ways to promote higher professional designations. Work with the Education Committee to analyze our current programs and develop other pathways to professional designations. Develop tutorial programs to encourage and assist GAAO members in attaining professional designations from organizations, such as IAAO.

Rules, Regulations & By-Laws -

The Rules, Regulations and By-Laws Committee may adopt and promulgate changes to the GAAO Constitution and By-Laws as approved by the Executive Board and majority vote of the eligible voting members. It reviews both the Constitution and By-laws annually for any needed changes.

Summer Conference -

The Summer Conference committee consists of the Executive Director, the President, the President-Elect, and the Executive Board's Secretary. This Committee is responsible for planning the GAAO Summer Conference.

Technology & GIS –

The Technology & GIS committee looks for new technology to benefit members of the organization and works with the DOR and the Executive Board on any Technology or GIS issue. This committee advices the Education Committee on potential topics for GAAO seminars and conferences.

Website Coordinators -