What Can We Do For You and Your Chapter

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How can we help you?

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PSPE
PSPE and the IRS
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PSPE and the IRS

- Two distinctly different topics
  - Reporting to the IRS
  - Exemption
PSPE and the IRS

- Is PSPE a tax exempt organization?
PSPE and the IRS

- PSPE is *exempt from paying federal income tax*
- PSPE is *NOT exempt from state sales tax*
- IRS Form 990
PSPE and the IRS

- Does PSPE include chapter finances in the state report to the IRS?
PSPE and the IRS

- Chapters are responsible for reporting to the IRS

- Tax-exempt organizations whose annual gross receipts are normally $50,000 or less need to submit Form 990-N (e-Postcard)
  - ($25,000 for tax years ending after December 31, 2007 and before December 31, 2010)
PSPE and the IRS

- Failure to report to the IRS will result in
  - loss of chapter tax exempt status
  - PSPE will not be able to forward chapter dues
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- Are PSPE chapters automatically exempt from paying federal income tax?
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- Chapters are eligible to be included in the PSPE Group Exemption

- To be included, each chapter needs its own EIN

- Chapter EIN and contact need to be on file with PSPE

- PSPE reports annually to the IRS with a listing of chapters included in the Group Exemption
PSPE and the IRS

- Are PSPE chapters exempt from paying state sales tax?
  - Only if the chapter has received a letter from the IRS stating as much
PSPE and Insurance (CGL)

- Does PSPE have Commercial General Liability Insurance coverage?
PSPE and Insurance (CGL)

- Commercial General Liability Insurance
  “named insured” include

  - State Societies
  - Local Chapters
  - Members of NSPE serving on
    - a committee or acting on behalf of any named insured,
    - Educational Foundations of state societies and local chapters
    - MATHCOUNTS
    - national, state and local auxiliaries
PSPE and Insurance (CGL)

- CGL insurance covers liability for
  - (1) bodily injury, property damage, personal injury or advertising injury claims brought against any insured, and
  - (2) property damage to premises used or occupied by a named insured caused by the negligence (actual or alleged) of a named insured or by those for whom the named insured entity is legally responsible.
PSPE and Insurance (CGL)

- Certificate of Insurance
PSPE and Insurance (D & O)

- “The road to hell is paved with good intentions”
- Individuals or entities can make claims or file actions alleging personal liability on the part of those who oversee policies and activities
- Likelihood of success in such claims or actions is remote in the absence of bad faith or fraud by officers or directors
- Defense must still be made. Claims defense is always expensive and always time consuming.
PSPE and Insurance (D & O)

- Are Chapter officers covered?
PSPE and Copyright Infringement

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PSPE State Advocacy Issue Areas:

- Registration Law
- Infrastructure Support
- Liability Reform
- Procurement
- STEM Support
- Environmental/Energy
- Misc.
PSPE’s Legislative Priorities

- Continuing Education Exemption for Retirees (HB 1054)
- Work with partners to push for comprehensive transportation funding
- Restore MATHCOUNTS Funding
- Municipalities Planning Code (HB 1718 and 1719)
- Electronic Seals Regulations
- LEED in Government Buildings (HB 193)
- School Construction Task Force/Legislation Soil Scientists and Foresters License
- UCC Advisory Committee
PSPE and Member Data

- NSPE data available to Chapters
  - Leadership Toolbox
    - Communications
    - Presentations
    - Governance
    - Logos
    - Mentoring
    - Membership
    - Orientation
    - Outreach
    - Member Recruitment samples and guidance
PSPE and Member Data

- NSPE data available to Chapters
  - State and Chapter Leader Resources
    - Chapter Leader Handbook
    - Chapter Files
    - Member Roster
PSPE Communications

- pspe.org
  - Website re-design
- PE Reporter
- PSPE Listserv