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■ Board of Governors' Update: Directing Growth and Call for Volunteers



Photo (left to right): Sandy Hamby, Christine Acampora, Mehdi Heydari, Steven DiBartolo, Jim Mitchell, Carl Sciple, Tom Haid, Heidi Obie, Larry Smith, Jim Ruddell, Ray Brady, Brian Stover, Doug Titzer, Ann Marie Sweet-Abshire and Nick Soto. **Not in Photo:** Paul Goguen and Eddy Sparks.

Steven DiBartolo, CCM, LEED®AP of Hill International, Inc. Chair of the [Board of Governors](#), would like to welcome Sandy Hamby, CCM of Moca Systems, Inc. as the new liaison to the Governors from the [Board of Directors](#).

With the continued growth of the certification and as the Governors' plan for the future, they would like to add CCMs to several sub-committees. Currently, the governors' are interested in expanding the Exam Committee, which helps write and review questions to be added to future exams forms, and the Applications Committee, which reviews all the applications submitted by potential CCM candidates. Participation on either of these committees will result in [Renewal Points](#) towards your CCM.



If you have interest in joining either or both of these committees, please send your resume and letter/email of intent to Nick Soto, Director of Certification, at nsoto@cmaanet.org.



■ **Renewing Your CCM is Easier than Ever!**

The Board of Governors has released new adjustments to the CCM renewal policy. After listening to the concerns of CCMs, the Board decided to lower the amount of points required and add additional ways to earn points towards your

CCM renewal. The Board has also created a [Renewal Point Spreadsheet](#) to help you keep track of your points as well!

You can read about the changes to the renewal policy in the [CCM Renewal Handbook](#) and start tracking your CCM Renewal Points using the spreadsheet today!

■ **CMAA Strategic Plan**

The [CMAA Board of Directors](#) has worked on new strategic goals for the Association. The Board has come up with the strategic direction that they feel best fits the Association's mission, vision and values. Several of these components focus on the CCM certification. All of these goals will affect your industry so be sure to read the Board of Directors [Strategic Plan](#).



■ **Embracing CCM Certification**



Some organizations wait on getting their staff certified. Other organizations encourage certification. Then there are the organizations that completely embrace the

culture of certification. Certification is the criterion standard of professional practice and for the Construction Management profession, the CCM is

the gold standard certification.

Find out where your organization stands amongst other industry firms with [CCM certification holders](#).

■ International Standards Organization

As most of you know, the CCM is accredited by the [American National Standards Institute \(ANSI\)](#). However, are you aware that the CCM is also recognized, through ANSI, by the [International Standards Organization \(ISO\)](#)? That makes the CCM designation recognized by governments and organizations around the world.



You can read more about [ISO](#) and download a copy of [ISO Focus+](#) free on their website. Learn what having an [ANSI-ISO](#) accredited CCM credential means to you and your organization.



■ LinkedIn to the CCM

[CMCI](#) has just launched the official [CCM LinkedIn group](#). This group was designed as a place for CMs to discuss their careers; the CCM application; mentors; recertification; questions or concerns about the certification; and to network with other CCMs.

This is the only official [CCM LinkedIn group](#) run by CMCI. It is not only for CCMs, but for aspiring CCMs, CMITs, rising CMs, and anyone interested in the certification. Any CM is encouraged to join and participate in the discussion.

■ The CCM Exam is Changing

[CMCI](#) is working closely with the [Construction Industry Institute \(CII\)](#) to incorporate their *Best Practices Guide: Improving Project Performance* into the CCM exam. These changes are part of the [alliance with CMAA and CII](#). CCM exam candidates should start seeing questions on the CII Best Practices Guide implemented in the first quarter of 2013. Any CCMs candidates who haven't taken the exam yet may want to attempt it before the changes to resources have been applied!





■ Earn Points for Mentoring

The nearly two year old Construction Manager in Training ([CMIT](#)) program has rapidly grown to over 800 CMITs and counting! With that kind of growth, the program is looking for more CCM's to help [mentor these rising CMs](#). As an additional bonus, CCMs who mentor will receive Renewal points.

■ The Job Hunt

Are you in search of your next career position?

You can use the [CareerHQ](#) to find your next position or post a resume for FREE!



Are you looking to hire the a great employee?

The [CareerHQ](#) makes your job openings visible to more than 5,000 potential applicants, and allows you to search resumes posted by registered users. Whether you need to expand your resources with new entry level personnel, or expand your horizons with a new CEO, there's no more flexible or cost-effective way to search.

■ Thank You Vanir Construction Management, Inc.



A special thank you to [Vanir Construction](#) for donating a large number of CCM flashdrives for CMCI to distribute to interested individuals during the CMAA National Conference & Tradeshow and future allied conferences. The flashdrives contain the new [CCM Renewal Handbook](#) and the [CCM Application Handbook](#). You

can still download the latest handbooks on the [CMAA website](#).

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