

MONDAY, APRIL 14

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Registration and Event Information Desk

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1:00 PM - 2:20 PM

NAMIC Welcome and At the Crossroads: The New Economics and Politics of Property/Casualty Insurance

This session will provide an overall economic outlook of the property/casualty insurance industry and include a high-level look at industry trends, challenges, and opportunities. The always-popular Robert Hartwig, Ph.D., will provide important insights that will help you manage your company's risk.

Robert Hartwig

Director Risk & Uncertainty Management Center
University of South Carolina

Erin Collins

Senior Vice President, State & Policy Affairs
NAMIC

2:20 PM - 2:30 PM

Networking Break

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Corporate Governance and Role of the Board

This session explores key governance principles and the board's role in guiding management. Learn director duties, decision-making responsibilities, and best practices for independence, qualifications, and conflict management to ensure ethical and effective leadership.

Michael Renetzky

Partner
Troutman Pepper Locke LLP

4:00 PM - 4:15 PM

Networking Break

4:15 PM - 5:00 PM

Board Operations and Best Practices

This session explores the role of board committees, their charters, and responsibilities in collaboration with management. Best practices for meeting preparation, documentation, and decision-making will also be shared. This session will cover key areas of board oversight, including financial results, rate determination, and CEO evaluation.

Michael Renetzky

Partner
Troutman Pepper Locke LLP

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Attendee Breakfast

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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TUESDAY, APRIL 15 (CONTINUED)

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Understanding Company Financials and Key Metrics

This session provides a comprehensive exploration of statutory accounting principles and offers insights into the foundational concepts that guide their development. Participants will gain a deeper understanding of the purpose and significance of key financial statement elements — the balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows—and their roles in financial reporting and company governance. The session will also cover the premium accounting process, with a focus on written and earned premiums, and highlight essential metrics used by directors to evaluate periodic results, profitability, solvency, and growth. Lastly, attendees will learn how to interpret the statement of cash flows to assess premium flows, investment outcomes, and financing decisions that will empower them to make informed governance decisions.

David Hendrix
Retired Chief Financial Officer

Retired

10:00 AM - 10:15 AM

Networking Break

10:15 AM - 11:15 AM

The Board's Role in Strategic Planning

This session delves into the critical role directors play in the company's strategic planning process. Participants will explore the governance framework and director responsibilities within strategic planning, gaining clarity on their duties and influence. The session will examine the strengths and weaknesses of director-led versus management-led strategic planning approaches, which will help attendees understand the options available for developing effective strategies. Additionally, attendees will learn best practices for aligning board and management priorities, fostering collaboration, and driving successful strategic outcomes.

Peter Pelizza
Retired Chief Executive Officer

Rural Mutual Insurance Company

11:15 AM - 11:30 AM

Networking Break

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Regulatory Framework

This session provides a clear overview of the insurance regulatory framework, highlighting the roles of state insurance departments and the NAIC. Attendees will delve into key oversight functions such as financial reporting, market conduct, and examinations, as well as the legislative process for adopting NAIC Model Rules. The discussion will also cover emerging regulatory trends affecting mutual insurers, including policy rating restrictions and market entry challenges.

Erin Collins
Senior Vice President, State & Policy Affairs

NAMIC

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Attendee Lunch

1:00 PM - 1:45 PM

Enterprise Risk Management

This session will explore the board's critical role in risk governance, including determining risk appetite, reviewing key risks, and ensuring effective oversight. Participants will gain insights into how regulators and rating agencies assess the effectiveness of enterprise risk management programs. The discussion will also cover the ERM components included in the Corporate Governance Annual Disclosure and the Own Risk Solvency Assessment filings. Lastly, attendees will learn how to connect strategic planning with ERM to support organizational resilience and success.

Lorie Graham
Senior Vice President & Chief Risk Officer

American Agricultural Insurance Company

1:45 PM - 2:00 PM

Networking Break

TUESDAY, APRIL 15 (CONTINUED)

2:00 PM - 2:45 PM

CEO Succession Planning

Explore the key elements of CEO succession planning, including the importance of timing, candidate evaluation, and transition strategies for the selectee. Compare the advantages of using internal versus external candidate pools and review the role of compensation benchmarking and board advisory in the process. Gain insights into the board's responsibilities in CEO onboarding, with a focus on best practices for facilitating a seamless leadership transition.

2:45 PM - 3:00 PM

Networking Break

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Faculty Panel Discussion

This exclusive NAMIC-moderated panel discussion will give attendees the unique opportunity to engage directly with recently-retired executives. This session offers a chance to ask tailored questions and gain invaluable insights from their extensive experience in the mutual insurance industry.

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