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ALL IN for **NASBP**

April 14-17, 2024

JW Marriott Austin Austin, Texas





2024 NASBP ANNUAL MEETING & EXPO ALL IN for NASBP

Dear Surety Friends,

I hope the NASBP membership is "ALL IN" for the 2024 Annual Meeting & Expo that will be held April 14 - 17 at the JW Marriott Austin in downtown Austin, TX.

Chairs Matt Cashion and Mark Duggan and their Program Committee have worked hard to develop content that will

inspire our future, but also reflect on the past. Building off the 2023 NASBP Fall Meeting sessions, we continue to educate our members about the Enron loss and the profound impact it had in the early 2000s. Are we certain that the decisions we make today can withstand an economic downturn; and are we, as an industry, being mindful of the credit that is put at risk on bond forms? The 2023 NASBP Fall Meetings featured sessions on Enron that focused on failed leadership ethics and a deep-dive underwriting panel, and now in Austin we will hear from Andrew Fastow, former CFO of Enron, as a keynote speaker to give the final pieces of the Enron puzzle.

We will officially kick the meeting off on Sunday evening with a rooftop welcome reception at the JW Marriott Austin. And this year will feature multiple changes and updates, the most anticipated is a Tuesday afternoon themed entertainment event called **"ALL IN Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament"** (in lieu of a golf event). There is no entrance fee, as this event will be complimentary for all registered attendees and their registered spouses/guests who wish to participate and will feature refreshments and snacks, heated competition, and fun prizes.

The Tuesday night final event will be a short walk up the street to the **Speakeasy Austin**, a truly unique venue with multiple floors to explore, a rooftop terrace, local bourbon tasting, games, food, and custom cocktails. Featuring different options for musical entertainment, you can dance the night away to '80s hits from the Spazmatics or opt for a quieter ambiance to have a conversation with background acoustic music. The venue will truly have something for everyone.

Now is the time to register and secure your hotel accommodations. We'll keep you informed with periodic updates as we get closer to the event.

Jamie and I are looking forward to seeing you in April!

Best Regards, Patrick Pribyl, *NASBP President*



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

8:00 am – 12:00 pm Executive Committee Meeting

12:30 pm – 5:00 pm Committee Meetings

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Directors-At-Large, Regional Directors, and Committee Chairs Meetings

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

8:30 am – 12:00 pm Board of Directors Meeting

11:00 am – 5:30 pm NASBP Registration Desk Open

11:00 am – 5:00 pm Exhibitor/Vendor Tables Open

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm NASBP Attorney Advisory Council and CPA Advisory Council Meeting

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm Welcome Reception

MONDAY, APRIL 15

7:00 am – 12:00 pm NASBP Registration Desk Open

7:00 am – 8:00 am Continental Breakfast

7:00 am – 2:00 pm Exhibitor/Vendor Tables Open

7:00 am – 8:00 am 5-15 Leadership Committee Breakfast

8:00 am – 10:00 am General Session

Welcome and Opening Ceremony Matthew Cashion, Jr. & Mark Duggan, *Annual Meeting Program Co-Chairs* **President's Address and Awards Presentation** Patrick Pribyl, *NASBP President*

Keynote Presentation

"Why Does Enron Keep Happening?" Andrew Fastow, Former CFO of Enron & Expert on Financial Ethics

We live in the age of corporate problems and disasters. From Enron to BP, AIG, J&J, 3M, General Electric, Boeing, Credit Suisse, and Silicon Valley Bank, to name a fewseemingly great and iconic companies that have been harmed or destroyed by self-inflicted wounds. What has changed? Are we worse at compliance? Are we less ethical? Has corporate culture changed significantly? The leaders at these organizations did not set out to do harm. Their challenges arose from an inability to lead their teams through and to the right decisions in what we call the Gray Zone—that place where creative application of complex and ambiguous rules allow us to get to a technical answer that may be the wrong solution and even criminal. Andy Fastow spent six years in federal prison thinking about his role as CFO at Enron. He is now a sought-after public speaker who consults with Boards of Directors on ways to help leaders not only avoid the type of mistakes Fastow made but make better, more transparent business decisions.

10:00 am - 10:30 am Break

10:00 am – 11:00 am Meet and Greet Spouse/Guest Brunch

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

General Session Continued: "Al in Construction: From Concept to Completion and How Technology is Shaping our Future World"

Panel members to be announced

Leaders from national general contractor, Suffolk Construction, will moderate a panel of industry experts representing a multitude of disciplines, including rating agencies, design firms, and technology startups, to discuss the impact of including artificial intelligence in our daily lives. They will focus on how technology is changing our world and being deployed in our industry and how we may need to adapt to make more informed decisions for the betterment of our clients and businesses.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm Exhibitor/Vendor Demos in Tech Demo Room

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Women in Surety (WIS) Networking Reception

Afternoon Open

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TUESDAY, APRIL 16

8:00 am – 11:00 am NASBP Registration Desk Open

8:00 am – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast

8:00 am – 12:00 pm Exhibitor/Vendor Tables Open

9:00 am – 10:00 am General Session

"From Silicon Valley to Vinyl: Finding a New Groove in a Timeless Industry" Caren Kelleher, *Founder & President, Gold Rush Vinyl*

Get ready for an inspiring session with Caren Kelleher, the founder and CEO of Austin based Gold Rush Vinyl, honored as one of the "Most Innovative Companies of 2020" by *Fast Company* magazine for its groundbreaking work in record production. Hear the fascinating story of Caren's transition from a Silicon Valley music executive to the trailblazer behind a cutting-edge vinyl record pressing plant during the digital music era. Uncover the key moves that led her to go "all in," strategically persuading investors, clients, and the music industry about the enduring relevance of vinyl in the evolving music landscape. This engaging session will not only recount her improbable entrepreneurial journey but also encourage you to embrace innovation and redefine success in your own unique way.

10:00 am - 10:30 am

NASBP Nomination Committee Report and Incoming President Remarks

10:30 am - 10:45 am Break

10:15 am – 12:00 pm General Session Continued:

"Woodward on Washington: An Economic, Policy and Political Outlook" Joan Woodward, Executive Vice President of Public Policy at Travelers

Joan will share her economic, public policy, and political outlook in this data-driven analytical presentation. She will also discuss the most pressing challenges facing Congress and the Biden Administration in 2024. What do higher interest rates, coupled with elevated inflation mean for your business and can the U.S. avoid a recession? Will legislation recently passed by Congress, such as the Inflation Reduction Act and the CHIPS Act, bring relief to consumers and businesses? Joan will explore those issues, as well as what the upcoming election might mean for insurance, tax policy, and the economy. Also, as President of the Travelers Institute, Joan will give a preview of the Institute's 2024 initiatives.

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11:00 am – 12:30 pm Spouse/Guest Event – *To be announced*

1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Themed Event – "ALL IN Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament" See Poker Tournament details on page 8.

Afternoon Open

7:00 pm – midnight Final Event at Speakeasy Austin



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

8:30 am

NASBP Executive Committee Meeting

Departure

2024 Annual Meeting Registration Form

Registration Information	Registration Fees
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Spouse/Guest Email:	bjones@nasbp.org. For a full refund, a WRITTEN CANCELLATION must be received by 5:00 pm ET March 14, 2024. Cancellations received March 15 through March 29 by 5:00 pm ET are eligible for a 50% refund. Cancellations received after 5:00 pm ET March 29 are
Please indicate the number of people atten Tuesday, April 16 Final Event at Speakeas Austin (off site)	people attending at Speakeasynot eligible for refunds. When cancelling a registration, a 5% processing fee will be deducted from the refund.NASBP acknowledges that travel plans and airline restrictions are uncertain, and so we have modified the above cancellation policy to
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2024 "Texas Hold 'Em" Poker Tournament Registration Please see Poker Tournament section of this brochure for details	
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TOURNAMENT

Registration for the Tuesday, April 16 Poker Tournament. The event is complimentary for all registered attendees, spouses, and guests.

Spots at the tables are limited and will be on a first come, first served basis.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

JW Marriott Austin

110 E 2nd St. Austin, TX 78701

Located in the heart of downtown Austin Texas, the JW Marriott Austin combines the luxury of a resort with the convenience of an urban location. The hotel features the largest guest rooms in the city, a rooftop pool and bar, and an award-winning spa. All within steps to the best dining, live music, and shopping that the city has to offer.



To book your room, visit the NASBP Annual Meeting webpage for current room block status and overflow hotel information.

Getting to Austin

The JW Marriott Austin is just under 8 miles from Austin-Bergstrom International Airport. Ground transportation options from the airport to downtown Austin are available via ride share (Uber, Lyft), taxi, sedan service, and car rental.

The JW Marriott Austin also offers onsite self and valet parking.





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TWO WAYS TO REGISTER

 Visit www.nasbp.org, click on Annual Meeting, and complete the on-line registration form. Mail your payment (if paying via check) along with a copy of your online registration confirmation to address below. If paying via credit card complete payment via the on-line registration form.

2. Print, complete, and email the registration form (included in this brochure) to NASBP at bjones@nasbp.org. Mail payment immediately with copy of the registration form to address below.

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You will be registered for the NASBP Annual Meeting when NASBP receives your check or credit card payment in full. A registration confirmation will be emailed to you. Email **bjones@nasbp.org** with questions.

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TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

This themed event is sponsored by



NEW FOR 2024, NASBP will host a themed event called **"ALL IN Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament"** on Tuesday, April 16. Join your colleagues and friends for an afternoon of fun, with free refreshments, snacks, and the chance to win prizes. Professional dealers and a tournament director will be managing the tables and providing instructions, so no experience is needed, every skill level welcome! There are no entrance fees/registration for the Tournament is complimentary for all registered attendees, spouses and guests of the NASBP Annual Meeting. Space is limited, so grab your spot at the table.

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