

2026 Beta Alpha Psi Mid-Year Meeting - Orlando, FL

Schedule at a Glance

Friday, 2/20/26						
11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open- Plaza International H-I Foyer/Best Practices presentations due to OneDrive at 11:59 pm ET on Thursday					
12:00 - 12:45 pm	Affinity Group 1 - Solo Travelers with Supporting Chapters Orlando Ballroom L, Convention Level	Affinity Group 2 - Chapter Presidents Orlando Ballroom M, Convention Level				
1:00 - 1:30 pm	Opening Session - Plaza International Ballroom H-K, Convention Level					
1:30 - 2:15 pm	Plenary Session: - Plaza International Ballroom H-K, Convention Level					
2:15 - 2:30 pm	Refreshment Break Plaza International Ballroom H-I Foyer, Convention Level					
2:30 - 3:30 pm	Faculty Advisors with Chapter Advocate / FA Roundtable - Orlando Ballroom L, Convention Level					
2:30 - 3:30 pm	Leadership Activity - Plaza International Ballroom H-K Convention Level					
3:30 - 3:40 pm	Session Transition Break					
	Orlando Ballroom L, Convention Level	Orlando Ballroom M, Convention Level	Orlando Ballroom N, Convention Level	Plaza International Ballroom H, Convention Level		
3:40 - 4:40 pm	AI & Job Outlook and Security for Entry-Level Accountants: The Value of Human Services in an AI World Edwin Gonzalez, AICPA & CIMA Sean Dennis, Ph.D., CPA, CFP, Associate Professor, University of Central Florida	Alternatives to CPA Michael Potenza, Becker Professional Education	AI - How Do Professionals Use it Daily? Sevan Woods, KPMG LLP	Navigating Your First Position Katherine Acuff, BDO		
4:45 - 5:45 pm	Marketing Yourself: Personal Brand & Professional Presence Caitlin Gangi Rost, Fifth Third Bank	Careers in Government Meredith Newman, AGA	The CPA Pathway is Changing: Choose Your Route, Own Your Journey Charlotte Roberts and Quinn Perkson, UWorld	Unique Career Paths with BAP Savanna Buntin, BAP Mid-Year Representative		
6:00 PM	Friday Night On Your Own					
Saturday 2/21/26						
7:30 am - 1:30 pm	Registration Desk Open - Plaza International H-I Foyer					
7:30 - 8:30 am	Attendee Breakfast - Plaza International Ballroom H, Convention Level					
7:30 - 8:30 am	Breakfast for Chapter Presidents, Chapter Advocate, Board Members and BAP Professional Partners - Bayhill 21-22					
	Orlando Ballroom L, Convention Level	Orlando Ballroom M, Convention Level	Orlando Ballroom N, Convention Level	Bayhill 21-22, Lobby Level		
8:30 - 10:45 am	Best Practices: Collaboration and Unity The schools will be presenting in this order	Best Practices: Innovation and Progress	Best Practices: Sustainability	Chapter Operations Chapter Sustainability and Knowledge Transfer Moderator: Chad Kelsey, San Francisco State Florida Atlantic University Case Western Reserve University College of Charleston Georgia Southern University Middle Tennessee State University University of Florida University of North Carolina Wilmington University of North Carolina Charlotte Pipeline Initiatives: Bridging the Accounting Gap Hofstra University University of Louisiana at Lafayette Texas State University Member Engagement and Belonging University of Oregon		
10:45 - 11:15 am	Refreshment Break - Plaza International H-I Foyer					
	Orlando Ballroom L, Convention Level	Orlando Ballroom M, Convention Level	Orlando Ballroom N, Convention Level	Bayhill 21-22, Lobby Level		
11:15 am - 12:15 pm	Chapter Operations Member Engagement and Belonging The schools will be presenting in this order	Chapter Operations Overcoming Operational Challenges	Chapter Operations Partnerships and Professional/Community Impact	Faculty Research Track Moderator: Patty Cox, Elon University University of North Carolina at Charlotte Elon University The University of Scranton The University of Southern Mississippi Virginia Commonwealth University University of Central Florida		
	Moderator: Chad Kelsey, San Francisco State University of Central Florida University of Georgia Winthrop University Texas State University Member Engagement and Belonging Western Michigan University	Moderator: Rhonda Seay, Auburn University at Montgomery Auburn University of Montgomery Bentley University Hofstra University Kennesaw State University University of Louisiana at Lafayette Ethical Decision Making in Action Ball State University	Moderator: Amelia Hart, Ph.D. Juliana Kralik, Ph.D., The University of Tampa Chandler Miller, Ph.D., Florida Southern College Brian Hasson, Ph.D., Appalachian State University			
12:15 - 1:30 pm	Attendee Lunch and Closing Session - Plaza International Ballroom H, Convention Level					
1:30 - 1:45 pm	Professional Partners to Provide Feedback to Best Practice Winners					
1:30pm	Conference Adjourns					
	Service Activity! Donate School Supplies and Write Notes of Inspiration for students at Pizzo K-8 School					