

Position: Institutional Board Member
Candidate: William (Tim) Wiseman, ARM-E
Institution: University of Wyoming
Title: Chief Risk Officer



Biography: Tim Wiseman is the Chief Risk Officer for the University of Wyoming and faculty member for PRIMA's ERM in Higher Education program. He previously served with East Carolina University from 2009-2019 as the Assistant Vice Chancellor for ERM. Tim earned the ARM-E designation, and is a Certified Defense Financial Manager (RET), with a B.S. in business from the University of Arkansas, an MBA from Syracuse University, and a M.S. in national resource strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. Tim is also a 25-year veteran of the U.S. Army and was featured as a 2020 Riskconnect Risk All-Star.

Please describe your past Risk Management experience and previous involvement with URMIA.

I have been an operational risk manager for much of my adult life, and a risk manager in higher education for the past eleven years, with a focus on developing sound enterprise risk management practices and the building of risk intelligent organizations. I have also been involved in emergency planning and crisis response. I have attended six URMIA events/conferences since 2012, and have been a frequent speaker/presenter at URMIA and other professional organization venues. An active participant in URMIA's Higher Ed ERM Roundtable since 2017, I recently served as Roundtable Co-Chair from 2019-2020. I have assisted with curriculum development and as a trainer for the URMIA/PRIMA ERM in Higher Education workshops conducted nationwide.

What leadership skills and talents make you a good candidate?

I have a sound working knowledge of risk management best practices and the connections with the related fields of internal audit, legal and financial management. I understand the complexities of large organizations, and am both a good team builder and team member. I thrive on information sharing, effective communication and human interaction. I have significant leadership experience to draw from, both from my military career and from leading committees, projects and working groups.

How would you get the membership more active in URMIA?

Three things come to mind: 1) full use of the communication platforms URMIA has already invested in; 2) emphasis on personalization of services and the connections fostered by professional affinity groups (networks); and 3) healthy regional events and affiliation to bridge between annual conferences.

Briefly outline your vision for continuing to move URMIA forward.

I envision a healthy, diverse organization that meets the very real need of connecting members of the higher education risk management community with each other. URMIA's critical role in facilitating risk management idea and information exchange cannot be overstated. URMIA is the professional "blade sharpener" for risk professionals, and provides the tools and encouragement so necessary for its members to attainment their professional goals. URMIA needs to continue to champion and highlight the value that risk managers bring to the many stakeholders of higher education.