



**NASPA REGION I ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 19, 2017
ZOOM ON-LINE MEETING**

PRESENT

Caitie Abrahamson, Richard Anderson-Martin, Kelly Brochu, Connie Cabello, Rozana Carducci, Elissa Carroll, Elly Daugherty, Cory Davis, Rich DeCapua, Kat Doherty, Peter Fowler, David Golden, Julia Golden-Battle, Patrick Hale, Sharon Hay, Matt Heiser, Brandin Howard, Carole Hughes, Danielle Johnson, Sean Kalagher, Scott Kane, Jenn Kosses, Tracy Lake Barbara LaMonaco, Colleen Lubin, Susan Marine, Jen Maitino, Jason Masterson Beth Moriarty, Brian Nangle, Randy Sanders, Jen Stanley, Melinda Stoops, Erin Twomey, Becky Wintinger, Jason Zelesky, Ted Zito

BOARD ACTIONS

Motion: to accept 11/13/16 minutes

Motion: To allocate \$600 to the Mid-Senior Colleague Network luncheon

Motion: To adjourn

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Davis: Second by Anderson-Martin.

Motion passed

Moriarty reviewed for the board the new board members/positions for the upcoming year:

REGIONAL ADVISORY BOARD CHANGES

Community College Division Coordinator
Randy Sanders

International Director
Justin Masterson

Diversity Initiatives Coordinator
Julia Golden-Battle

Silent Auction Coordinator
Erin Twomey

Graduate Interns 2017-2018

Moriarty wants to conduct the RAB and Conference interns' position process at the same time. There is a posting on Volunteer Central and an email was sent to the entire region. The deadline for applications is February 10th.

UPDATE FROM NASPA WINTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Moriarty shared updates from National Board meeting. Board approved the slate of candidates for RD-elect positions. Those ballots have been sent out to the membership in the region. Two new knowledge communities have been approved: Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement and Enrollment Management are new knowledge communities.

Met with Timothy McDonough from ACE discussion about post-election issues in higher education. NASPA is thinking ahead. Announced selection for NASPA awards. Melinda Stoops is national winner for AVP senior level professional student affairs award, George Kuh award to Annemarie Vacarro. Moriarty encouraged board members to attend the awards luncheon in San Antonio

NASPA finances-annual audit is complete. NASPA is in good financial health. Membership numbers are strong. Continued discussion about the evolution of NASPA and what does it mean to be the premiere student affairs organization in the country?

2017 REGIONAL CONFERENCE UPDATES

Golden reported on the 2017 regional conference in Springfield. Conference committee is meeting today. The members of the conference committee are:

David	Golden	goldend@merrimack.edu	Associate Director of Residence Life	Merrimack College	Conference Chair
Meghan	Kenney	mkenney@mit.edu	Assistant Dean, New Student Programming	MIT	Past Conference Chair
Erin	Twomey	Erin.Twomey@quinnipiac.edu	Associate Director of Campus Life and New Student	Quinnipiac University	Silent Auction Chair

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Barbara	LoMonaco	barbara.lomonaco@salve.edu	Vice President for Student Affairs	Salve Regina university	SSAO Institute Chair
Colleen	Lubin	c.lubin@snhu.edu	Associate Director of Student Involvement	Southern New Hampshire University	SALT Chair
Matt	Heiser	heiserm@wit.edu	Associate Director of Housing & Residential Life	Wentworth Institute of Technology	Awards Chair
Kyndra	Angell	kyndra.angell@bc.edu	Assistant Director, Student Engagement	Boston College	Programs Chair
Alex	Cabal	cabala@wit.edu	Director, Diversity & Social Justice Programs	Wentworth Institute of Technology	Registration Chair
Alana	Anderson	aanderson3@babson.edu	Senior Assistant Director, Multicultural Programs	Babson College	Special Events & On-site Logistics Coordinator
Josh	Peipock	jpeipock@risd.edu	Senior Associate Director for Residential Education	RISD	Pre-Conferences & Hospitality Coordinator
Steve	Rossi	rossis@middlesex.mass.edu	Director of Leadership Development and Student Activities	Middlesex Community College	Technology Manager
Steph	Gonzalez	sg10@williams.edu	Associate Director of Admission for Diversity Recruitment	Williams College	Volunteers & Outreach Coordinator
Laura	Flynn	lflynn@massart.edu	Director of Transition and Leadership Programs	Massachusetts College of Art and Design	Secretary & Assessment Coordinator
Matt	Petersons	m.petersons@snhu.edu	Associate Director of Residence Life	Southern New Hampshire University	Interns & Conference Connectors Coordinator

Julia	Golden-Battle	julia.golden@mcphs.edu	Assistant Dean of Diversity and Inclusion	MCPHS University	Diversity Initiatives Coordinator
Erica	Peryga	eperyga@post.edu	Dean of Students	Post University	Entertainment Coordinator
Scott	Connolly	sconnolly@bryant.edu	Assistant Director of Community Standards and Operations	Bryant University	Corporate Sponsors Coordinator
Sara	Noyes-Grady	senoyes@plymouth.edu	Director of Union Operations	Plymouth State University	Social Media & Publications Coordinator
Erica	Saviuk	esaviuk@springfieldcollege.edu	Assistant Director, Housing and Residence Life	Springfield College	Local Arrangements Coordinator
Will	Johnson	wjohnson@fairfield.edu	Associate Dean of Students	Fairfield University	Treasurer

The registration dates will be similar to registration dates from last year. Davis asked about specific location of conference. Golden answered that it was in Sheraton Springfield.

Moriarty mentioned that the Board April meeting will be at Merrimack and the conference committee will be present. Kosses asked about 2018 conference site. Kenney responded that they are working on 2018-2019 dates. Looking at Providence, Hartford and Portland areas.

HISTORIAN REPORT

Hughes delivered for Fienman. There are two committee members on the Historian Committee. Erica Devine from Regis College who is getting all of the minutes from the past RD/RVP's Advisory Board meetings on the website. She is working with the regional Information Technology Coordinator. Dexter Viator from Becker College is writing a brief history of the region for the website

FUTURE MEETING LOCATIONS

Hughes asked for volunteers for hosts for 2017-201 meetings. The following institutions offered: UConn, Franklin Pierce, Mt. Wachusett, Wentworth, Salve Regina, Quinnipiac, Curry and Roger Williams.

BUDGET

Kosses reported that there is regional \$11,000 in checking account. Money Market is doing well. Most fall conference information has been sent into the national office. Still expecting some additional revenue on the fall conference.

FOUNDATION UPDATE

Carroll reported that the region is 51% towards our donor goal of 100. The region is at 70% towards our \$10,000 dollar goal. Looking for ambassadors for the Foundation- check Volunteer Central. She is planning to have 1-2 Foundation events. Moriarty reminded board that all members are expected to make a Foundation donation each year. Moriarty suggested that Carroll send out an email to the region about the Ambassador positions. Moriarty will get Carroll the list of members who applied for the conference committee and were not selected to reach out to them.

DIVERSITY INITIATIVES

DeCapua reminded the board that at the regional conference there was a discussion about development of a pipeline for professionals of color in the organization. A small group is sending forward recommendations about mentoring, outreach, advisory board, conference committee and state board committees. Professionals of color are thriving in Knowledge Communities. But those positions do not seem to leading to the Region I Board. There are also more outside the region opportunities for involvement.

Moriarty explained that this is a priority but that the nominations for this year were already underway before this initiative was launched. Golden Battle shared her conversation with former RD's at conference- women were not involved in leadership roles for a long time in NASPA. RD's responded that the men stepped aside. Golden Battle sees this as symbolic. How do we allow for everyone to have a seat at the table? She sees her position as a unique way to approach this challenge. Cabello added a recommendation that we be explicit if we are talking about diversity and focus on race and ethnicity.

Moriarty mentioned that this is an issue at the national level. She also mentioned that many potential candidates turned down the nominations because their home institutions do not cover their costs. Would we consider letting the region having Co-Regional-Directors-Elect? Cabello pointed out that professionals of color are often in social justice on their campuses and are pulled in many different professional association directions. Sometimes there is a better fit in another organization for their functional area. Davis asked what the goals were around diversity initiatives- what will success/progress look like for the region? Moriarty responded that the Board will develop those goals once DeCapua's group submits their report. Once the report is submitted, Golden-Battle and Moriarty will make recommendations to the Board.

MID-SENIOR LEVEL COLLEAGUE NETWORK PROPOSAL

Fowler reported for Black on this topic. This initiative is meant to increase Engagement for mid and senior level professionals. This is new for NASPA- no other region has addressed this yet. The proposal is to create small group networks around the region for professionals to use each other for support. A networking lunch is planned with 20 people on March 24th at Babson College from 12-2. There will be an opportunity for the specific small groups to meet one another then a workshop on career mapping done by Sheila Murphy from Witt Keiffer. They are asking for \$600 to cover the lunch for the program. This is the kick-off for a new program which will be self- sufficient over time.

Black does not anticipate additional funding requests in the future.

Motion: To allocate \$600 to the Mid-Senior Colleague Network luncheon: Fowler Second by LaMonaco. **Motion passed**

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Kane reported on strategic plan. Since conference in November, the strategic and the tracking documents are posted on the NASPA website. Tracking document helps to keep Board updated on progress on the strategic plan. Kane would collect updates every few months to share on the tracking documents for the Board.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Stoops reminded everyone that the ballots are open until February 5th for RD-Elect and encouraged everyone to vote.

RD-Elect Candidates

Jen DeBurro

Greg Jones

Maine Director

Laurie Sidelko

New Hampshire Director

Cory Davis

Mike Taberski

Rhode Island

Sharon Hay

Stoops mentioned that some potential candidates declined nominations because they knew someone else who was interested. Stoops mentioned that the Board might want to make some decisions about some of the concerns that were raised by candidates about time commitment, term limits, etc. Davis pointed out that there were strong and specific reactions against Facebook campaigning that occurred and encouraged the group to consider this as a topic for the June Board meeting.

Moriarty pointed out that Region I has always said that there could only be 2 candidates for the regional director elect. At the winter board meeting in Washington it was pointed out that there could be more than 2 candidates. Moriarty and members of the board decided for this year that Region I would continue with two candidates. Fienman is doing research on this.

Kane asked about other regions. Moriarty responded that regional directors are elected, but in other regions, state directors are appointed. Lake pointed out that an election can be intimidating at the state director level, but if it is appointed do we run the risk of NASPA being perceived as too insular? Moriarty asked Stoops to send these issues to her for the summer retreat meeting so we can be ready for the next election cycle.

Results of elections should be available by February 12, 2017.

NPMI

Abrahamson reported that there are 23 mentees and mentors for this cycle. First session is on January 27th at Bentley University. Moriarty asked for a full list of mentees and mentors

MLI

Moriarty reported for Kuster that applications are due on January 23rd. Looking for mentors for the program. All sessions have been booked.

NPMI AND MLI REGISTRATION FEES

Davis reminded Board of meeting at the regional conference about the differences in the registration fees for these two events. Davis asked if there were money left in the spring, could Board consider reducing the registration costs or have the Board allocate some additional funds. Kosses mentioned that rates are already set for this year and that both groups also have additional funds from last year. Zito suggested an off-line discussion with the other institutes about this issue and bring back information to the Board.

KC UPDATES

Cabello and Stanley reported on the new KC 's: Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement and Enrollment Management. Cabello and Stanley are working to get those leadership positions filled. Let them know if there is anyone who might be interested.

Jen Forry is the new Student Affairs Fundraising KC representative. There will be a Drive in in Connecticut on February 14 on Chasing the Dream. Several KC's will collaborate on the program.

Stanley pointed out that there are 32 KC's and they want to make sure that KC Representatives are up to date and informed. Some KC's are struggling to build membership, how to disseminate information from the Knowledge Community.

Cabello and Stanley will keep them updated on Board activities and encourage collaboration. The size of the group makes this challenging.

STATE UPDATES AND INTERNATIONAL UPDATES

Rhode Island

Hay reported that RI hosting a 2/22 game watch at URI for women's basketball in President's Suite. There will be online registration. On April 13 there will be a full day drive in workshop- supporting commuter students, transgender, pregnant and parents and undocumented. Hay will reach out to KC's for co-sponsorship.

Massachusetts

Zelesky reported Drive in on 2/16-strategic planning and assessment. More details to come.

New Hampshire

Expanding the Board. Sponsoring three networking opportunities this spring. One is in Keene, then Plymouth/Concord then in Manchester/Nashua/Durham area

Vermont

Howard reported that the Vermont is full and will meet next week to plan future programs.

Maine

Anderson-Martin reported that Maine now has a full team. He is working with Sidelko on transition of leadership.

Connecticut

Lake reported that all Board meetings are scheduled. Held the first networking social in Hartford with over 30 people in attendance. Planning future networking events. Planning a drive in event for the late spring.

SSAO INSTITUTE

LaMonaco raised the issue about the SSAO Institute. There are SSAO 's who want the Institute to be clearly for the SSAO only. The issue has come up about the #2 person or the Dean. In Region I we have been very flexible about this but there are some SSAO's need a safe space at the conference. Region I will make it clear who is eligible to go to the Institute for the 2017 conference. LaMonaco pointed out that there was some movement on an AVP session at the conference but not enough responses.

Moriarty suggested that LaMonaco poll the SSAO's and bring back information to the Board in April for a final decision by the Board.

NASPA NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2017

Moriarty reminded board that if in San Antonio that there will be a Board meeting including KC's on **Sunday, March 12 from 1-3 in** the Grand Hyatt. Business meeting

is on **March 13 from 5:15 to 6:45** in the Convention Center. Region 1 Reception will be on **March 13 from 9-11**. Moriarty would like to host a reception for Board members in Director's Suite.

ZOOM

Moriarty reminded Board that the ZOOM software is a regional account but is still associated with her email account. It is available to any board member for any committee meeting. Moriarty will do an assessment of online meeting for Board to evaluate its effectiveness.

Motion to adjourn: Motion by Howard: Second by Lake

Motion passed

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