

WASFAA

Highlights

Western Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators



WASFAA Highlights is an electronic news update provided by the WASFAA President for the benefit of the WASFAA membership. The electronic publication will contain informational items pertaining to WASFAA activities and newsworthy items of interest to the WASFAA community. Past issues are archived on the WASFAA website at <http://www.wasfaa.org>. Additional information regarding any given issue may be obtained by emailing the current WASFAA President, Sandi Guidry at sguidry@unr.edu

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The annual WASFAA conference was recently held this April in beautiful Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. We could not have ordered better weather – it was amazing. Wendy Olson, Conference Chair, and her conference committee did an outstanding job putting together both a very informative and fun conference.

The annual WASFAA Sister Dale Brown Summer Institute is taking place in June in sunny and probably hot Phoenix, Arizona on the Arizona State University campus. Jack Edwards is serving as the Institute Chair. He has assembled an experienced faculty – the students will truly benefit from their knowledge.

Jack Edwards – Stanford Graduate School
Andy Promsiri – UCLA, Anderson School of Management
Marianna Deeken – U.S. Department of Education
Nichole Franklin Doering – Scot Lewis Schools
Mary San Agustin – Palomar College
Catherine King-Todd – Thunderbird School of Global Management
Laura Hughes – Lewis-Clark State College
Lawrence Persky – UCLA
Kay Soltis – Pacific Lutheran University

Having Co-Chaired Summer Institute several years ago I know first hand the amount of work that goes into putting on this event and the work to prepare for a week of intense teaching. On behalf of WASFAA thank you to the faculty and your institutions for allowing you to be out of your offices for a week.

WASFAA is a volunteer organization. If you are interested log into the WASFAA website at <http://wasfaa.org/docs/forms/memVolunteer.html> If you have questions you can contact the Volunteer Chair, Tracey Lehman at Tracey.Lehman@oit.edu

WASFAA has 21 committees. They include Awards, Bylaws, Communications, Conference, Electronic Services, Ethnic Diversity Action, Federal Relations, Fiscal Planning, Fund Development, Graduate/Professional, Historical Archives, Membership, Newsletter, Nominations & Elections, Policies & Procedures, Jerry R. Sims Management & Leadership Institute, Sister Dale

Brown Summer Institute, Site Selection, Strategic Planning, Training, and Volunteer Development. Please consider volunteering for service on one of these committees. You can find descriptions of these committees at <http://wasfaa.org/docs/about/PnP.pdf>

Many of our fellow WASFAA members also volunteer for a NASFAA committee. Thanks to Susan Murphy, Kay Soltis, Maureen McCrae, Peter Hurley, Dewayne Barnes, Lawrence Persky, Heidi Granger, Craig Yamamoto, Jack Millis, Ron Johnson, David Levy, Tami Sato, Dan Davenport, and Rob Parisi for volunteering at the national level

The 2011 WASFAA Conference Committee had their first meeting on March 17, 2010. The 42nd annual conference will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii. The conference co-chairs are Frank Green and Leonard Walker. If you are interested in presenting a session or being a moderator contact Ron Lee, Conference Program Chair, at Ron.Lee@usafunds.org

The WASFAA geographic region is defined as Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, and Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, Palau, American Samoa, the Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands and any other United States territory or possession in the Pacific.

The 2011 Jerry R. Simms Management & Leadership Institute will be held in beautiful Lake Tahoe, Nevada. Mark your calendars for February 14-16, 2011 this is an opportunity to network with other financial aid professional.

The WASFAA Newsletter Committee Chair for 2010-11 is Judy Saling. She is in the process of collecting articles, pictures and items of interest for the summer newsletter. Please email any submissions that you might have to Judy at jsaling@uoregon.edu. The newsletter is printed four times per year. The submission deadline for the next issue is June 18, 2010. I will keep you posted with future deadline dates.