

NASSGAP Executive Committee Meeting

Monthly Conference Call 12/15/11

Executive Committee: (Attendees are marked with an X)

- X President – Julie Leeper-IA
- X President Elect – J. Ritchie Morrow - NE
- Past President – Vicki Merkel-OR
- X Secretary – David Hughes-UT
- X Treasurer – Stephanie Butler-AK
- X Member at Large – Leroy Wade-MO
- X Member at Large – Diane Lindeman - KS
- Federal Relations – Lee Andes-VA
- X & Frank Ballmann-NY
- X Ed Technical Forms – Maureen Laffey-DE
- X Membership and Communications – Marilyn Cargill-VT
- X NASSGAP Web – Mike Solomon-IL
- Policy and Research –
- X Chris Zuzack

Agenda:

Here are the topics I have on my list for discussion. We may not get to all of them, but some can wait until next month.

NCHELP Meeting – January 18 – Frank will attend. Julie – probably not, but let's discuss.

CACG One-Pagers – Lee was to talk with Phil about taking on this project.

ByLaws – Sent to full membership.

NASSGAP Hats – Frank was to check with Bart and Maureen was to check with Cheryl to see if we can determine where the hats and visors were purchased in the past. Cheryl suggested we contact Bart

Nominating Committee Update – Vicki and Ritchie. Vicki has contacted Jamie Dushin and Dana Kelly and they have agreed to serve on the Committee. Vicki will be recruiting one more Committee member. First meeting will be in January.

Conference Contract -- 2013

Cooperating Members, Friends, and Other Web Changes – Update from Mike

Other Website Issues – Minutes/Updates/Etc.

Correspondence on Website – Any discussion about how this should be managed?

Scholarship Application and Procedures

Other Items

Topics for January

Minutes – November 17, 2011 – Will review and approve in January.

NCHELP Meeting – January 18 in New Orleans – Frank will attend. Julie will not attend but may participate by telephone. Members should send suggestions on what we might collaborate on with NCHELP to Julie or Frank. Leroy suggested working with NCHELP on early outreach/CACG-like issues. Frank said MOE efforts will be interesting next year and could be a topic for collaboration.

CACG One-Pagers – Lee was to talk with Phil about taking on this project. No report from Lee.

ByLaws – Vicki and Chris have submitted comments to Lee. Ritchie reported that the President can call a special limited-scope telephonic meeting to discuss ByLaws changes. Then membership can vote electronically. A quorum of all member states must vote to consider the vote valid. Stephanie

will let Ritchie know how many members there are. A quorum is 40 percent of the paid members. Committee members agreed that a meeting and vote should take place prior to the October conference.

- discussion about definition of membership.
- Paid dues are only members allowed to vote
- When to vote on ByLaws changes, after conference call discussion or at Oct. Conference.

NASSGAP Hats – No record has yet been found of where the hats were ordered last time. Stephanie will look for information in the Treasurer's records and report back to Julie.

Nominating Committee Update

- Have contacted Jamie D and Dana K. and they have agreed to serve on committee.
- Will ask a couple of additional members to join.
- Will have first committee meeting in January.

2013 Conference

- Resolving questions and issues.
- Hilton Garden Inn, April ?, contract should be finalized this month.

Website Changes

- Cooperating Organizations – lots of information is wrong. Delete all organizations and leave category empty
- Friends of NASSGAP. New category and all listed. Discussion about Friends having access to virtual office.
 - o Consent that Friends do not have access to virtual office.
 - o Friends will have access to change their contact information and use query tool.
- Minutes and documents to post to website. Send to Mike with instructions of when and where to post.
- Discussion about NASSGAP Correspondence on website – what should be public and what should be member only?
 - o Julie will send out a partial list of suggested documents for comment.
- From Vicki (Julie send to all).
 - o **Public**
 - Any correspondence sent on behalf of the organization to state a position or share information with congressional offices or other organizations
 - Examples
 - Federal program (LEAP or CACG etc.) advocacy letters to congressional offices
 - Letters that are signed by a variety of organizations including NASSGAP
 - o **Members only**
 - Correspondence from the organization or an officer to a member that may contain personal information such as a member's address
 - Correspondence that relates to the internal business of the organization
 - Examples:
 - Friends of NASSGAP letters
 - Conference arrangements
 - Grant reporting
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Scholarship Application and Procedures

- Application and procedures are completed.

NASSGAP Survey Status

- Three states completed, most have login and some no log in yet.

Simplification Forum held recently

- Marilyn – College Board provided information on its Simplification study on five states during a recent meeting in Washington, DC. Discussion was held among states and agencies about the information and conclusions and what should be the next steps. Final report has not yet been completed. Marilyn also talked with Temika Braswell from Ohio Board of Regents during that meeting and provided an invoice to for Ohio to join NASSGAP.

Budget Pell Grant Eligibility Changes Discussion

- Students without H.S. diploma or equivalent will not be eligible.
 - o Questions about how many students this will effect.
- Reduction in length of time for Pell Grant eligibility

Call ended at 1:54 PM MST – 3:54 PM EST