

CAPFAA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

September 19, 2008

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Attendees: Bill Mangini, Vanessa Richmond, John Giordano, Odette Franceskino, Jennifer Fuhrmann, Susan Gerber, Jill Stone, Nick Yoia, Jim Kuhlen, Liz Hook, Heather Hamilton, Kathy Gailor

Meeting called to order 1:09 PM. Nominal amount spent for food.

President's Report: Bill Mangini

*Motion to accept May minutes: Giordano/Mangini, no discussion.
Motion passes.*

NASFAA President Dr. Phil Day is confirmed for the October 30 Fall Training. He will update us on NASFAA and will leave time for questions and answers. We will be paying for his overnight stay at the Holiday Inn for \$99.

President Elect: Odette Franceskino

Submitted report.

The first Scholarship Committee met September 4. A Bowl-A-Thon will occur Monday night of the Winter Conference. There will also be a Silent Auction. Still looking into possibility of a Walk-A-Thon. Bill will check out insurance for the event.

Past President: Heather Hamilton

Will send a payment reminder to the membership. In process of verifying membership accuracy and paid vs. not paid. This will be connected to all future registrations.

Nominations will be discussed at the Fall Training.

Treasurer: Bill Mangini for Flo LaCroix

Submitted Report.

If any questions on her report, please let Bill know and he will forward to Flo.

Secretary: Jennifer Fuhrmann

Will check into price of envelopes with the PO Box and having a PDF of our letterhead with officers listed.

Associate Member: Bill Mangini for Kimber Decker

Have 9 vendors for the Winter Conference. Kimber will reach out to other lender. Suggestion to look at other vendors like consultants and FAM systems.

EASFAA Rep: John Giordano

Submitted report.

Department of Education will be at URI on September 29 regarding NRMP. It begins at 9 AM and is open to all. If cannot attend, please send any comments or questions to John and he will forward. Debbie Flynn from Charter Oak will attend. She will also attend the next Executive Council meeting to report.

EASFAA Executive Council to meet October 5 – 7 in Manchester, NH. Please send any questions or concerns to John and will bring to the Council.

NASFAA training “Aspects of Student Eligibility” will be held November 12. Registration information will be sent to the listserv.

EASFAA needs committee volunteers. Please let John or Dino Kauff, President of EASFAA know if you are interested.

EASFAA will be May 17 – 20 at the Omni Shore Hotel. Let John know if you are interested in doing a Hill visit while there. EASFAA will be in CT for 2010.

Volunteers are needed for the CT Federal Relations Committee.

EASFAA is still trying to set up a date to meet with CT Attorney General Richard Blumenthal. There have been scheduling conflicts. EASFAA is also looking into board issues surrounding the Code of Conduct.

Vice-President's Report: Kathy Gailor

Submitted Report.

The Fall Training is booked for October 30. Registration will go out to the listserv next week. The agenda is set and presenters are lined up. Noted that the FSA Conference and Profile are during the time of the training.

Frontliners is the next event.

The Tax Workshop will be November 21 & 22.

Motion to charge \$35 per person for the Fall Training on October 30: Gailor/Mangini, discussion. Motion passes

Winter Conference: Sue Gerber and Jill Stone

Discussion about shrinking the vendor area and putting some events in that space. Survey results reflect less vendor turnout and that the state schools plan to attend and stay overnight. Agenda is almost set and will go live next week.

Keynote speakers

Joe Courtney on Sunday

Matthew Jones on Monday

Michael Meotti on Tuesday

Four committee members have been lost. The next meeting will be October 2.

Discussion as to length of 2009 Conference. Volunteers are needed. It is getting difficult to run the event. Will hold discussion at Fall Training to encourage volunteerism.

Possibly have table at Conference about CAPFAA promoting volunteerism and/or put a Committee Chair at every dinner table. Bill will send a letter to the University Presidents about importance of CAPFAA and volunteerism.

Electronic Initiatives: Jim Kuhlen

New host for website and listserv. Java capable & all info is on the same server. Cheaper. Update directly. All size attachments will go through listserv
Working on listserv subscribe and unsubscribe.

Annual Business Meeting: Liz Hook

Submitted Report.

Prices have gone up to \$36 - \$39 per person. Menu was cut back. Will go back and try to renegotiate. Bill will bring a screen so that will be removed from the cost.

Constitution and Bylaws: Vanessa Richmond

No report.

Guidance Counselor Fair/College Goal Sunday: Ivette Rivera-Dreyer & Velma Walters

No Report.

Diversity and Multicultural Committee: Neville Brown

No Report.

Graduate and Professional Concerns: Susan Gerber for Caesar Storlazzi

Working on setting up next meeting date. Will meet at Winter Conference.

John Giordano checking out SCSU as possible Symposium site.

Mentoring Committee: Nick Yoia

Submitted Report.

Sent email about Financial Aid Nights. New professionals will sit in on the presentations to learn. If interested, let Nick know.

Will have Conference session on leadership, a welcome table, and different color name tags for new people.

Spring mini session will be about incoming vs. returning students, policies and procedures.

Next meeting scheduled for October.

Newsletter: Jill Stone

Submitted report.

Newsletter may be hosted on the CAPFAA site.

Committee members and chairs need to be updated on the site as well as photos.

Nontraditional Concerns Committee

Need Chair.

Strategic Planning Committee

Need Chair.

Motion to adjourn: Mangini/Gailor, no discussion. Motion passes.