



Frank E. Ross III, Conference Chair
Board of Directors Report
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NASPA Board Action Items

None at this time

Leadership & Member Engagement

The Conference Leadership Committee has been hard at work planning the 2016 NASPA Annual Conference.

The Committee met at the NASPA headquarters from October 5 – 7, 2015 for the program selection meeting.

1636 total proposals were submitted for review. Regarding acceptances:

- 690 general interest sessions (Of these, 60 were virtual ticket acceptances.)
- 46 pre-conference sessions
- 33 scholarly papers
- 9 featured educational sessions
- 8 SA Speaks

We are launching a NASPA Social Justice Symposium which supports both the newly-adopted NASPA Strategic Plan and the new professional competency areas. The Social Justice Symposium will include 3 forums on social justice topics focusing on: (1) racial justice, (2) transgender inclusion, and (3) undocumented students. Forums are free-of-charge, but attendees will be required to pre-register.

Featured speakers for the 2016 NASPA Annual Conference include:

- Marc Lamont Hill, Professor, CNN Commentator, Host of BET News & HuffPost Live
- Simón Silva, Speaker, artist, author
- Allison Massari, Motivational speaker
- Terrell Strayhorn, Director, Center for Higher Education Enterprise, The Ohio State University