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Chair, NASPA Foundation Board of Directors
Annual Report for the March 2016 Board of Directors Meeting
February 9, 2016

**NASPA Board Action Items**

None at this time

**Leadership & Member Engagement**

The mission of the NASPA Foundation is to raise funds to advance NASPA’s mission and legacy.

Our Guiding Principles include:

- Connecting the Present with the Future
- Celebrating Achievement
- Supporting Research and Best Practices
- Honoring History

**Awards**

**Melvene D. Hardee Dissertation-of-the-Year Award**

- The call for 2016 Melvene D. Hardee Dissertation-of-the-Year Award applications opened for NASPA members in May 2015. Tony Cawthon is the 2015-2016 chair for the Dissertation of the Year Award committee.
- Ryan A. Miller, Director, Office of Institutional Equity, University of Texas at Austin was selected as this year’s winner. His dissertation is titled, “Intersections of Disability, Gender, and Sexuality in Higher Education: Exploring Students’ Social Identities and Campus Experiences”.
- Tamara Durant, Director, Student Success Center, State University of New York at Potsdam was selected as the runner-up for 2016. Her dissertation is titled, “Is Faith on the Campus Tour? Rural, Public College Students’ Exploration of Spiritual and Religious Identity”.
- NASPA received 36 applications for this year compared to 33 applications for 2015.

**Jim Rhatigan Conference Fellowship**

- Four $500 conference scholarships for graduate students to attend the NASPA Annual Conference are available.
- This award is endowed by Jim Rhatigan and the selected individuals would be known as Rhatigan Fellows.
As of February 12, 2016, 13 submissions were received.
Cherry Callahan serves as the chair for the process.

Zenobia Hikes Manicur Scholarship Award
- Stephanie R. Gardner, Director UW LSAMP, Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity was the recipient of the Zenobia Hikes Manicur Scholarship Award, which is provided to one attendee of the Alice Manicur Symposium in the amount of $1,500.
- The Foundation provides the funding and the winner is selected based on the Alice Manicur application materials.

Capstone Award
- The Foundation’s Capstone Award is meant to build a repository of retiring members’ final vitae and insights to several key questions about the members’ experience in the profession.
- The repository helps researchers access and connect past professionals’ work with current initiatives.
- The Foundation continues to promote this project in the coming year.

John L. Blackburn Distinguished Pillar
- David A. Ambler, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Emeritus, University of Kansas and Judith M. Chambers, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Emerita, University of the Pacific were named as the John L. Blackburn Distinguished Pillars of the year in recognition of lifelong commitment to our profession.

Pillars of the Profession – Class of 2016
- The Pillar of the Profession program continues to be an important recognition and fundraising initiative for the NASPA foundation. This year, 14 Pillars were selected for the 2016 class:
  - Charles J. Fey; Vice President for Academic Support and Student Affairs; New Jersey Institute of Technology
  - Richard Walker; Vice Chancellor/Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Services; University of Houston
  - Les P. Cook; Vice President for Student Affairs and Advancement; Michigan Technological University
  - Lori M. Ideta; Interim Vice Chancellor for Students; University of Hawaii at Manoa
  - Anna M. Ortiz; Professor; California State University, Long Beach
  - Marc L. Wais; Senior Vice President for Student Affairs; New York University
  - Tisa Mason; President; Valley City State University
  - Berenecea Johnson Eanes; Vice President for Student Affairs; California State University Fullerton
  - Wm. Gregory Sawyer; Vice President for Student Affairs; California State University, Channel Islands
  - Jody Donovan; Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students; Colorado State University
  - Peggy Burke; Associate Vice President for Student Affairs; DePaul University
The Foundation established a new fund source as a repository for the NASPA Kuh Award. This repository will be funded annually with $500 from an identified donor and an estate gift will endow the fund at a future date.

**Professional Development & Events**

**NASPA Foundation Ambassadors**
- Sajko has continued the NASPA Foundation Ambassadors which allow opportunity for individuals from the Regions to promote and serve for the Foundation at Regional events.
- The following serve as Ambassadors for 2015-2016:
  - Elissa Carroll, Quinnipiac University
  - Leah Barrett, The College at Brockport
  - Debbie Heida, Vice Berry College
  - Justin Jeffery, University of Georgia
  - Cord McLean, University of South Florida
  - Sidney Childs, Bowling Green State University
  - John Hernandez, Northwest Missouri State University
  - Sara Mata, Northern Oklahoma College
  - Lincoln Johnson, University of Washington
  - Grace Bagunu, University of San Diego
  - Henry Gee, Rio Hondo College

**Newsletters**
- The Foundation Development officer created a Foundation e-newsletter sent to all NASPA members.
- This memo provides updates on Foundation related activities and involvement.

**Foundation Board Meetings**

**September 20-22, 2015 ◊ Kansas City, Missouri**
- The Board reviewed the upcoming goals and priorities for the 2015-2016 year.
- The 2016 Pillars and new Board members were selected during this meeting.

**January 11, 2016 ◊ via electronic communication**
- Approved process for selecting John L. Blackburn Distinguished Pillar
- Established a standardized process and timeline for selecting Pillars of the Profession

**Board Nominations Committee**
• Nancy Crimmin chaired the Board’s Nominations Committee to develop a slate of individuals to be considered for Foundation Board membership.
• Other committee members are: Gene Zdziarski, Denzil Suite, Maureen Keefe, Lori Reesor, Stan Carpenter, Peg Blake, and Greg Boardman.
• The selection process for the next Board Chair-elect was standardized by Chair-elect Gene Zdziarski resulting in two excellent candidates. The Board of Directors will vote prior to Annual Conference.
• Cheo Torres, Penny Rue, and Larry Roper will roll off the Board at the conclusion of the March 2016 Annual Conference.
• Elections for new Board members occurred in September. The following will join following the March 2016 meeting:
  o Javaune Adams-Gaston, Vice President for Student Life, Ohio State University
  o Robert (Bob) Gatti, Vice President for Student Affairs, Otterbein University
  o Brian Haynes, Vice President for Student Affairs, California State University at San Bernardino
• Chair-elect Zdziarski led an internal process improvement review to standardize our committee structures and other operations.

#NASPAgives
• Through the #NASPAgives Annual Campaign, significantly more student affairs professionals are engaged with the Foundation.

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• The 2015-16 #NASPAgives goal is 638 donors. If successful, 4.2% of NASPA members will be Foundation donors.
• The Regional Directors and Foundation Ambassadors are doing a lot to bring visibility to the #NASPAgives Annual Campaign, for example:
  o The Foundation was represented at all Regional Conferences with signage, materials and more.
  o A position for Foundation Ambassadors was created on all Regional boards to help promote the Foundation.

Optional Other Reports - Advocacy & Scholarship (not required)

Research Grants
• The Foundation will fund a large grant for $35,000; applications closed January 15, 2016 and 19 were received. The grant will be awarded for the purpose of conducting research that is intended to have impact and influence on the profession of student affairs.
• Stan Carpenter chaired the committee to include the following:
  o Bette Simmons, Foundation Board
  o Larry Roper, Foundation Board
  o Jorg Vianden, NASPA Faculty Council
  o Phyllis McCluskey-Titus, Faculty representative
  o Amelia Parnell, NASPA Research and Policy Institute
• The research will expand the professional understanding of the issue/topic and contribute to the
  most current thinking and debate on the topic. Potential recipients were asked to focus
  research proposals on three themes:
  o Student affairs practice at community colleges
  o Involved in online and hybrid programs
  o Post-traditional and non-traditionally prepared students
• Foundation Board reviewed 63 Channing Briggs Small Grants proposals and approved 8 grants
  for a total award of $29,450, from the July 2015 proposals. This included an extra grant as a
  result of #GivingTuesday. For the 2014 proposal process, the Board reviewed 46 applications.
• Recipients for July 2015 Channing Briggs Small Grants include:

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<td>Dana Winters, Doctoral Student, University of Pittsburgh</td>
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<td>Blake Silver, Doctoral Student, University of Virginia</td>
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<td>How Generalists Function as a Community of Practice in Community College One-Stop Student Services Center</td>
<td>Cheryl Warmann, Director of Enrollment Services, Oakton Community College</td>
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<td>Racialized aggression and social media on campus</td>
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<td>Campus sexual violence &amp; prevention educators’ use of gender in their work: A critical exploration</td>
<td>Susan Marine, Assistant Professor, HE, Merrimack College</td>
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<td>Shattering perceptions: Experiences of men who survived sexual violence in college</td>
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<td>Exploring student engagement and student development in Caribbean tertiary education</td>
<td>Elizabeth Niehaus, Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska</td>
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<td>Letitia Williams, Asst. VP Student Support Services, University of Trinidad &amp; Tobago</td>
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<td><strong>Welfare recipients at a four-year college: Reaching for a BA in the “work-first” era of public policy</strong></td>
<td>Will Simpkins, Director Career Services, CUNY &amp; Doctoral Student, NYU</td>
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**#GivingTuesday Grant – funded by 2014 donors**

5 Things Briefs
• The NASPA Foundation contributed $25,000 as a partner with NASPA's Research & Policy
  Institute to bring the 5 Things Briefs.
• This provides NASPA members with thought-provoking perspectives and guidance from current research on supporting student success in all its forms.
• The Foundation renewed this partnership and will continue until November 2017.

Student Affairs Archives
• The NASPA Foundation has been a key underwriter of the National Student Affairs Archives (NSAA) held at Bowling Green State University and pays for the archivist to attend the NASPA Annual Conference.
• This collection stands as the largest repository of records documenting student affairs and higher education from early days of the profession to the present.