



**Dr. Evette Castillo Clark**  
**National Director of Knowledge Communities**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
**February 8, 2013**

## NASPA Board Action Items

None.

## NASPA Mission

To be the principal source for leadership, scholarship, professional development, and advocacy for students.

## Leadership

### *Leadership Changes:*

- My term as National KC Director will end at this year's annual conference. I welcome Dr. Frank Ross who will assume the National KC Director role for 2013-15 at the end of the 2013 Annual NASPA Business Meeting in Orlando. Dr. Ross has been in training with James Stascavage and I since October 2012 and will be fully prepared to lead the KC Division in March.

### *KC Elections:*

- The voting period for this round of KC Elections began on January 17, 2013 and will conclude on February 15, 2013. Winners will be announced and notified prior to the 2013 annual conference and will officially serve during the 2014-16 term with their elect year in 2013-14.

### *Member Engagement/Awards:*

*African American KC* - The Sankofa Senior Leadership Ceremony is a new effort to recognize senior level African American administrators throughout the country. This event will take place during the AAKC Business meeting.

*Assessment, Evaluation, and Research KC* - The AER KC will implement a new Assessment Award this year. The goal of the award is to highlight outstanding assessment practices in the field and encourage the sharing of such practices across the field. The awardees will be announced during the Assessment and Persistence Conference and be asked to present their project/practice during the conference.

*Fraternity and Sorority KC* - The FSKC leadership created a Distinguished Service Award that will be presented at the NASPA FSKC Business Meeting to recognize a KC member who has contributed greatly to advancing the KC (consistent with Kouzes & Posner's Leadership Challenge theory).

*Latino/a KC:*

- The LKC is undergoing a strategic planning process that is congruent with the NASPA Mission and Strategic Plan. The charges will be given to a strategic planning committee at the annual conference where additional members will be recruited with the goal of increased membership involvement in the development of the LKC Strategic Plan. Strategic planning efforts will continue after the conference with a webinar session and working meetings.

*Women In Student Affairs KC:*

- WISA KC worked closely with NASPA's Center For Women to restructure the Panel of Listeners program to "Candid Conversations."

## Scholarship

*2013 Spring KC Conference Publication:*

- We completed our 3rd annual Spring KC Conference Publication that complements the conference theme, *Bold without Boundaries*. University Parent Media continues to publish the document for us at no cost. The KC publications will only be provided as an online publication from this point forward and can be found on the main KC webpage - <http://www.naspa.org/kc/>. The Spring 2013 KC publication will be available on March 1, 2013.

*Alcohol and Other Drug KC:*

- The AOD KC created a \$100 scholarship for the NASPA conference for a graduate student interested in AOD prevention work in Student Affairs. This year's graduate student recipient is from Florida International University.
- AOD KC also created a \$350 research grant for a practitioner or faculty member interested in doing scholarship on AOD prevention work in student affairs.

*Disability KC:*

- Three KC members are editing and several KC members are contributing as authors to an update to the outdated NASPA Monograph 17 – **A Student Affairs Guide to the ADA and Disability Issues**, which was published in 1994. The KC submitted a Book Proposal and Author Guidelines to NASPA and approval was granted to write: **Beyond the ADA: Inclusive Policy and Practice for Students with Disabilities in Higher Education**. Book is in process and includes authors from NASPA, AHEAD and ACPA.

*Men and Masculinities KC:*

- The Chair of the MMKC and the Chair of the Standing Committee on Men and Masculinities (ACPA) met and selected two leaders from within the respective groups to co-edit a joint publication: **The Changing Faces of College Men**. The MMKC's editor will be Chris Wilcox-Eliot, Scholar-Practitioner in Residence of the University of Virginia. The publication will be disseminated one to two weeks prior to the Conference on College Men in May 2013. The deadline for the call for submission is February 4, 2013.

*MultiRacial KC:*

- The MRKC is finalizing the details to honor their first research mini-grant. The plan is to promote in the beginning of February with selection in March and announcement of recipient at MRKC Business Meeting at the Annual Conference.

*Student Affairs Partnering with Academic Affairs KC:*

- SAPAA KC will be submitting a book prospectus to Stylus Publishing. The proposed Stylus book is guided by concepts offered by Marcia Baxter Magolda and Patricia King (2004) on a learning partnership model, and from Peggy Maki's (2010) on integrating assessment opportunities to develop cultures of assessment in higher education. While the book's chapters aim to provide primary research on collaborative activities undertaken across student and academic affairs to support student learning and development, the researchers also apply their findings to practical organizational responses for nurturing organizational learning and shared knowledge from these partnership efforts. The revised final draft will be routed to KC leadership for final editing and submission.
- SLCE (Service Learning and Civic Engagement) working group of SAPAA is partnering with the Assessment, Evaluation and Research Knowledge Community on a webinar to be offered on April 16, 2013 from 2:00-3:00 EST, **Assessment of Service Learning: Understanding and Communicating the Value of Student Experience**. The webinar is free for NASPA members and is led by Dr. Sandy Mahoney, University of the Pacific.

*Veterans KC:*

- The VKC leaders and members were directly involved in the November 2012 publication, **Called to Serve: A Handbook on Student Veterans and Higher Education**.

## Professional Development

*Administrators working in Graduate And Professional Student Services KC:*

- AGAPSS' **Wednesday Wine & Cheese** on Adobe Connects *and* **Tuesday Topics** on LinkedIn have been very innovative and successfully attended professional development opportunities. Scheduled topics are: Social Media (January), International Graduate/Professional Students (February), Post-Conference Round-up (March) Career Support Services (April), Connecting Research and Practice (May), Writing Centers and Dissertation/Thesis Support Group (June), Co-

curricular Programs, Graduate/Professional Student Study Abroad, Assessment, to be scheduled.

*Alcohol and Other Drug KC:*

- AOD KC sponsored a very successful dial-In conference entitled, **Integrated AOD Models for Collaboration between Student Affairs and Athletics**, on December 13, 2012. The call focused on the new partnership between NASPA and NCAA Division III providing an institutionalized and ongoing structure to discuss issues around alcohol and drug abuse amongst student athletes. Over 100 institutions represented.

*Spirituality and Religion in Higher Education KC and Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Issues KC:*

- SRHE KC and GLBT KC co-sponsored a successful webinar entitled, **A Frank Conversation about Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual People and Christianity**, on December 3, 2012 for professionals to learn how to support both the GLBT and Christian communities.

## Advocacy

*Administrators working in Graduate And Professional Student Services KC and Health and Higher Education KC:*

- The AGAPSS and the HHE KCs and the ACPA Commission for Graduate and Professional Student Affairs (CGPSA) are hosting a three-part webinar series on mental health, alcohol and other drugs, and wellness. Current trends and practices in mental health, alcohol/other drugs, and wellness will be presented and discussed with a clear focus on the unique culture of the graduate and professional student experience.

**Mental Health**

Week of February 25th, 3-4 PM Eastern

**The Culture of Alcohol and Other Drugs in Graduate and Professional Education**

Week of March 25th, 3-4 PM Eastern

**Wellness**

Week of April 22nd, 3-4 PM Eastern

*Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Issues KC:*

- The members of the Trans\* Inclusion group are working with various constituencies (on campus, across networks, within other KCs) to raise awareness around NASPA's and the GLBT KC's efforts towards trans\* inclusion. One of the initiatives started by this group will be pronoun stickers for nametags at our 2013 annual conference.

*Student-Athlete KC:*

- The Student-Athlete KC, the newest and 27<sup>th</sup> NASPA KC approved at the Winter 2012 Board meeting, will host its inaugural meeting at the 2013 annual conference. The Co-Chairs are Bob Gatti, Vice President of Student Affairs at Otterbein University and Mary Anne Nagy, Vice President for Student and Community Services and Interim Vice President for University

Advancement, Monmouth University. Their business meeting is scheduled for: Monday, March 18 at 11:30 am, Marriott/Tampa.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

#### *Objectives*

- 1.1 Be the primary source of data on the experience of college and university students.
  - Published our KC Spring 2013 Conference Publication.

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

#### *Objectives*

- 2.3 Build capacity among membership in order to effectively influence public policy.

*African American KC and Latino/a KC.* The AAKC and LKC cosponsored a webinar exploring the experience of undocumented students at institutions of higher education across the country. This discussion-infused presentation allowed participants to learn about emerging trends with this demographic and also identified the unique needs posed by students at this crossroads. This aligns directly with NASPA's public policy agenda:

- a) Student Success and College Completion
- b) Issues related to undocumented students
- c) Cost of funding higher education, including related accountability efforts

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### *Objectives*

- 4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

- *Sustainability KC:*

Letter to be compiled at Annual Conference Sustainability KC Business Meeting to be formally presented to NASPA board in late spring regarding joining the Higher Education Associations Sustainability Consortium (HEASC) in order to further focus partnerships with various leading higher education organizations regarding the

importance of sustainability as a public policy, university strategic planning and implementation issue.

4.6 Ensure the participation and inclusion of NASPA's members in leadership and governance.

- Review job descriptions of the KC Liaisons for Public Policy and Professional Standards and Competencies with those Division Directors so that the incoming National KC Director can make his appointments.

4.7 Examine resources and staffing to ensure alignment with strategic planning goals.

- Conducted an annual KC assessment of activities, professional development, resources, leadership training etc. in January 2013. The results will be discussed at both the KC monthly leadership conference call in February 2013 as well as at the KC Leadership Meeting at the Orlando Conference on March 16, 2013.

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### **KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITY REPORTS**

The reports that follow, which have been prepared by the National Chairs of our Knowledge Communities (and in some cases with Vice-Chairs or Chair-Elects), provide an overview of the professional development and KC activities provided to NASPA's members since Board Reports were last submitted in November 2012.

As you read through their individual reports, you will discover several initiatives to partner with other higher education associations and other KCs; more emphasis on membership growth; leadership with the involvement in revisions and updates of the CAS standards; the creation of KC scholarships or grants for members that add knowledge to or advances a specific field; and increased and innovative ways to deliver professional development through various technology and social media forums. I am very proud and pleased with the creation and dissemination of knowledge that the KCs have provided this past year and leading up to the 2013 conference. From preconference sessions to concurrent sessions to receptions, there is no doubt that you will see a strong KC presence and visibility throughout Orlando.

This Spring Board Report will serve as my last report as National KC Director. My term was a very special and rewarding experience overseeing the KCs and being the KC voice on the NASPA Board, after the consolidation vote. I've been so very honored and proud to serve the past two years in this capacity to enhance and continue the expansion of knowledge for our members in several student affairs areas, and I have so many colleagues to thank for their guidance, support, and friendship along the journey. I have several entry points into getting actively involved with NASPA, but the one involvement opportunity that propelled my leadership growth was the Knowledge Communities. With James Stascavage at the NASPA Office and Dr. Frank Ross as incoming National KC Director, I believe they will continue shaping these leadership experiences for many KC leaders to come and to continue to advance the KC program. I am so grateful to NASPA for this opportunity to serve.

**Jessica Edonick and Mary Hall**  
**Administrators in Graduate and Professional Student Services Knowledge Community**  
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## Leadership

- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - We currently have a vacancy for the Regional Representative position in Region 4W and plan to work with the Regional leadership to identify and select a candidate, hopefully before the National Conference in March.
- Member Engagement/Community Involvement
  - New discussion series for 2013: One Wednesday a month, the AGAPSS leadership leads a discussion on a specific topic using Adobe Connects at Drexel University. The following Tuesday, the discussion continues on the AGAPSS LinkedIn page. All members Tweet about the topic throughout the month. See Professional Development section.
    - Over 24 individuals/groups registered and we had 19 participating sites for the January 23<sup>rd</sup> session, “Engaging the Graduate and Professional Student Population Using Social Media” – including 1 faculty advisor and higher ed students from UNC Wilmington. At least one of the participant sites had 3+ participants on the call.
  - We have seen a 30% increase in members on our AGAPSS LinkedIn site – the largest short-term increase since establishing the page in March 2012 – in the period since announcing our Wednesday Wine and Cheese and Tuesday Topics combined series on January 22, 2013. In addition, we have had the greatest number of postings and replies on the site during this period.
- Award Recognition

AGAPSS member, Lori Cohen (George Mason University) was recognized for submitting “Pizza & Perspectives: Engaging the Non-traditional Graduate Population” – Silver Award, Off-Campus, Commuter, Non-traditional Graduate, and Professional and related category, 2012 NASPA Excellence Awards.

## Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)  
NASPA Excellence In Practice - A Knowledge Communities Publication, Fall 2012  
Is There Such a Thing as Graduate Student Engagement? YES! Case Study: UCLA Graduate Student Orientation
  - Christine Wilson, Director, UCLA Graduate Student Resource Center and Co-Program Director, UCLA M.Ed. in Student Affairs; Valerie Shepard, Program Manager, UCLA Graduate Student Resource Center; Lisa Dillman, Doctoral Student, UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies
- Leadership Exchange, Winter 2013
  - Weaving a System of Support Services for Graduate and First-professional Students - By Mary T. Hall and Jessica L. Edonick
  - Professional School Approaches to Student Services - By Christopher Lewis and Ana Rossetti
- AGAPSS KC newsletters
  - November 29: Conference registration reminder, AGAPSS pre-conference session announcement, Publication notes
  - January 22: AGAPSS election ballot information; Reminders for Wednesday Wine and Cheese on January 23, Tuesday Topics on LinkedIn on January 29, and registration for AGAPSS pre-conference session scheduled on March 17; Announce AGAPSS/HHE/CGPSA Spring 2013 Webinar Series; Announce Leadership Exchange articles
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement  
Nothing to report at this time.
- Grants/Research  
Nothing to report at this time.

## Professional Development

- Conferences, educational program reporting
  - Wednesday Wine & Cheese on Adobe Connects *and* Tuesday Topics on LinkedIn
    - Scheduled topics: Social Media (January), International Graduate/Professional Students (February), Post-Conference Round-up (March) Career Support Services (April), Connecting Research and Practice (May), Writing Centers and Dissertation/Thesis Support Group (June), Co-curricular Programs, Graduate/Professional Student Study Abroad, Assessment, etc.
    - 2013 Schedule:  
*January 23, 29 | February 20, 26 | March 20, 26 | April 17, 23 | May 15, 21  
June 19, 25 | July 17, 23 | August 21, 27 | September 18, 24 | October 16, 22  
November 13, 19 | December 11, 17*

## Advocacy

- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.)

The **Administrators in Graduate and Professional Student Services (AGAPSS)** and the **Health in Higher Education (HHE)** Knowledge Communities and the **ACPA Commission for Graduate and Professional Student Affairs (CGPSA)** are hosting a three-part webinar series on mental health, alcohol and other drugs, and wellness. Current trends and practices in mental health, alcohol/other drugs, and wellness will be presented and discussed with a clear focus on the unique culture of the graduate and professional student experience.

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#### *Planning Committee:*

AGAPSS KC: Jessica Edonick, Director, Commuter and Transfer Student Engagement, Drexel University; Mary Hall, Assistant Director, Cell and Developmental Biology Graduate Program, University of Virginia

HHE KC: April Moore, Assistant Director, Fitness & Movement Clinic, The Florida State University Health & Wellness Center; Melinda K. Stoops, Dean of Students, Framingham State University; Natasha J. Mmeje, Assistant Director, Wellness Center, Loyola University Chicago

## NASPA Strategic Plan

*If your KC has specific responsibilities or activities that pertain to the NASPA Strategic Plan, please include the goal and objective and a brief description of the activity since the last Board meeting.*

*You may also reference the NASPA Mission report where the activity is described in detail above.*

### Goal 1

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

#### *Objectives*

2.3 Build capacity among membership in order to effectively influence public policy.

We feel that the mental health and overall wellness of the graduate and professional student population is of priority concern. While AGAPSS explored this topic at the AGAPSS-sponsored pre-conference session at Dudley House, Harvard University (NASPA 2008 Annual Conference) and other smaller meetings, it is a perennial issue for members of our KC. In the wake of the tragic event in Aurora, CO in July 2012 involving a graduate student in crisis, AGAPSS began exploring ways to provide information for and being a positive influence on a larger community. We are grateful to our colleagues in the HHE KC and ACPA-CGPSA for the collaborative efforts that have led to the 3-part webinar series scheduled for Spring 2013 on Graduate and Professional Student Wellness. Depending on the success of the series, we hope to move forward by exploring possible ways to impact public policy on this topic.

#### 2.4 Track state and regional issues that might significantly affect students, practitioners, and/or campuses.

The National Co-chairs have asked the AGAPSS Regional Representatives to track and share state and regional issues impacting the graduate and professional student population. Issues such as National Labor Relations Board (NRLB) rulings that impact individual universities and/or state laws, and the funding crisis and resulting budgetary changes and organizational shifts in California public higher education are discussed by AGAPSS leadership, shared with the membership in full, and explored for professional development sessions, when appropriate.

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### *Objectives*

- 4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.
  - Please see Goal 2.3
  
- 4.4 Increase opportunities for innovation through technology.
  - Please see Professional Development and Advocacy sections.
  
- 4.6 Ensure the participation and inclusion of NASPA's members in leadership and governance.
  - AGAPSS members volunteered for and served on elections and pre-conference planning committees in Fall and Winter 2012-2013.

- AGAPSS currently has two pairs of co-chair teams on the election ballot (for the 2013-2016 chair-elect, chair cycle) – 3 of the 4 candidates are from the general membership (the 4<sup>th</sup> is currently serving as AGAPSS Region 4E Representative).

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

*Excludes calls with individuals and email communications. All meetings include one or both National Co-chairs and are conference calls.*

- November 16, 2012: w/ HHE KC leadership for webinar planning
- December 3, 2012: Regional Reps
- December 19, 2013: Communications committee
- January 23, 2013: Pre-conference planning committee
- January 23, 2013: w/ HHE KC leadership for webinar planning
- February 4, 2013: Regional Reps
- February 4, 2013: w/ HHE KC leadership for webinar planning
- Week of February 18, 2013: w/ HHE KC leadership for webinar planning
- Week of March 4, 2013: Regional Reps
- Week of February 25, 2013: Communications committee



**Susan Warfield**  
**Adult Learner and Students with Children Knowledge Community**  
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## Leadership

- KC Report
  - We successfully recruited a strong candidate for our impending ALSC chair opening. Katy Kemp from University of North Texas Health Science Center
- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - The ALSC KC Leadership Team Identified by chair over the course of the first year or our existence continues to be a consistent source of support and creativity.
  - We have added another LST member, Teresa Bill from the University of Hawaii, who jumped into membership and has already accepted regional co-rep role and served on our KC election committee.
- Member Engagement
  - We have had a strong presence at Regional Conferences this year, with members agreeing to cover Community Fair events. We have seen quite a bit of interest from attendees at these fairs.
  - While our membership continues to grow participation in our monthly KC meetings remains consistently at 10 to 12 dedicated members, most of whom are part of the LST. However, we do get a new meeting attendee or two every few months.
- Community Involvement
  - We have not interacted with as many of our fellow KCs as we had planned on, as this was a key area of focus for us as we established our goals last year. We maintain fairly good email contact with the Veterans KC. We remain on their radar and continue to receive military family related scholarly material and other updates from John Mickelson.
  - We currently have all our Regional Rep seats filled with no vacancies in the past few months. This is a huge accomplishment considering how long it initially took to fill these openings.

- Award Recognition
  - One of our ALSC KC associated student parent programs, the Family Economic Security Program at Norwalk College won the Region I Program of the Year award. FESP is headed by ALSC KC LST member Kristina Testa Buzzee.

## Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - We continue to publish a quality newsletter which is distributed through our KC listserv and posted on our website. We have had training by James Stascavage of NASPA to become more familiar with the email tool, and will look at broader distribution options in the months ahead.
  - We are most proud of our work to increase the number of AL and SP based topic presentations at NASPA Regional Conferences and the Annual in Orlando.
    - At the Annual we have 3 sponsored presentations and an ALSC KC pre-conference half day. The pre-conference is a multi-program expert format with 5 adult learner and student parent programs represented, all of which are led by KC LST members. We are also including a guest presenter covering Veteran’s issues and the overlap with the SP and AL populations.
    - We have distributed a steady stream of current research resources via our listserv.
    - We successfully submitted articles to both the Fall and Spring EIP KC publication, one of which provided publication experience to a Graduate level professional who regularly attends our monthly meetings.
    - The ALSC Chair has been presenting on SP related topics for a decade and has monitored the presentation of SP content at higher education conferences nationally for just as long. SP related content has been limited at best. I would estimate the presentations tied to ALSC members and NASPA conferences has more than doubled the number of SP based presentations typically offered at higher education conferences in one year. This has been very exciting to see. When I presented at the NASPA Annual in Seattle 3 years ago, I was told by conference planners how excited they were by my SP Model Program presentation and that to the best of their knowledge I was the first ever to present at a NASPA National Conference on the topic of student parents. To now have a pre-con and three AL SP related presentations offered and the KC itself three years later, is amazing.
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement
  - The KC Chair is currently involved in a national Office for Adolescent Health/Pregnancy Assistance Grant project. Chair is also in the process of

completing an intensive program evaluation of her program services, which she hopes to present at future NASPA conferences when complete.

- One of our LST members is in the process of completing a doctorate degree and her dissertation is on topics related to KC target student populations.
- Grants/Research
  - Though the KC is not involved in a grant process, the article submitted for the fall EIP publication was focused on a unique federal funding opportunity which could be used to fund college programming for young student parents. Though the deadline for the release of this call for proposals has been delayed, there is every indication this funding source will be announced this spring 2013 and ALSC KC members will receive regular updates from the KC.

### Professional Development

- As stated above, we have had a strong presence at most of the regional conferences (4 W, 4E, 1, and 6)
- Two KC LST members, Elise Buggs and Chair Susan Warfield, are including Graduate students in their presentations in Orlando, both are assisting with the Pre-conference, one is co-presenting with chair.

### Advocacy

- State/local public policy issues
  - As stated above we are tracking and updating ALSC KC members on the status of the OAH/PAF funding cycle in the hope of getting more higher education participants interested in submitting proposals.
- A key feature of our website is a section of student parent success stories. We feel this is a key step toward raising the visibility of what is typically an “invisible” population of students. This will also go a long way toward dispelling myths that still exist regarding student parent academic performance.

### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- October 5, 2012: Conference Call
- November 2, 2012: Conference Call
- December 7, 2012: Conference Call
- January 11, 2013: Conference Call
- February 1, 2013: Conference Call



**Crasha Perkins and Corliss Bennett-McBride**  
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## Leadership

- KC Report
  - **National Conference Outreach/Meetings:**
    - AAKC Executive Leadership Team Board Meeting (Executive Team Only)
    - African American Men & Women's Summit/African American Knowledge Community Networking Reception
    - African American Knowledge Community - Business Meeting
    - African American Knowledge Community's 3rd Annual Divine 9 and Friends- Meet and Greek
    - KC Community Fair
  - **Leadership/Volunteer Management**
    - Fully staffed AAKC Executive Leadership team
      - Executive Team includes: Chair, Co-Chair, Chair Elects(2), Director of Communications, Director of Regional Reps, Professional Development Chair, Public Policy Chair, NUFP Chair, Graduate Student Chair, Social Media Chair, Special Events Coordinator, Special Populations/HBCU Research (2), Regional Reps (8), Past Chair Emeritus (23 Board Members)
      - Across regions, the reps have been working hard to create regional executive boards that mirror the national board.
    - Increased opportunity for leadership in their region.
    - Increased opportunity to connect to NASPA and its members.
- Member Engagement
  - Sankofa Senior Leadership Ceremony – This is a new effort to be able to recognize senior level African American administrators throughout the country. This event will take place during the AAKC Business meeting.

- Continuous outreach to AAKC members and followers through social media, email, etc...
- Members are being asked for feedback on the progress of AAKC and their needs. This assessment will help guide and form the next Chairs as they develop their goals and objectives.
- Regional Reps. were charged with engaging members by using social media as a way to promote, highlight and welcome members to learn more their regions and the AAKC.
- Community Involvement
  - Creating an idea emporium in an effort to collect best practices for Regional Reps at the Regional conference
- Award Recognition - See below under *Professional Development Section*

### Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - Participated in both Winter and Spring article submission for the KC Publications.
  - Research completed on being an International Student as an African American and HBCUs.
  - Newsletter have been replaced by online mediums that allow the AAKC to disseminate information and research in a more effective manner, resulting in timelier and more relevant pieces.
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement: Webinar, Looking Beyond Latinos: The True History of Undocumented Students
- HBCU: Providing a Pre-Conference for the national NASPA conference. Partnering with Bethune-Cookman University.

### Professional Development

#### Awards and Recognition

- Letters of acknowledgement in recognizing our Leadership Team voluntary commitment to serve across regions was sent to their supervisors to highlight their service and dedication in working on behalf of the Association.

*(Awards and Recognition criteria will be sent to AAKC membership via listserv to solicit nominations for each of the award categories. For full considerations, nominations will need to be received by Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>)*

- Awards being bestowed at the National conference:
  - Honoring Dr. Theresa A. Powell, Vice President for Student Affairs, Temple University in recognition of her distinguished service of more than 36 years to the profession
  - Honoring an individual for The Dr. Gwen Jordan Dungy Distinguished Service Award
  - Honoring an individual for The Dr. Theresa A. Powell Scholarship and Leadership Award
  - Honoring an individual for The James Hill Lifetime Achievement Award

- Honoring two individuals (*graduate student/ new professional*) for The Dr. Tom Hill Institutional Excellence Award

#### AAKC Endorsed/Sponsored Program Presenters

In acknowledging the hard work, commitment and professionalism of our colleagues who have supported and contributed to the African American Knowledge Community, AAKC is proud to recognize our 2013 KC sponsored program. This year’s KC Sponsored presentation programs are:

- “I Don’t Go to Work to Make Friends”: The Black Woman’s Dilemma presented by Sandra Miles, Indiana University-Purdue University Columbus
- “Developing a Peer Mentoring Program for Multicultural Students,” Wayne Jackson, University of Central Florida.

### Advocacy

- State/local public policy issues
  - Public policy updates for the AAKC covered a range of topics during late 2012 – early 2013:
    - Access to higher education for underrepresented populations
    - Representation of African-Americans in STEM fields
    - Recent rulings on Affirmative-Action
    - The DREAM Act and supporting the Latino/a Knowledge Community
    - The troubling absence of black men outside of intercollegiate athletics
    - Intersections of race (African-American) and other demographics (i.e., women, LGBTQ, etc.)
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity—
  - AAKC Exec. Team member is on NASPA Multicultural Institute for 2013 planning committee
  - AAKC executive board members (2) are providing a pre-conference that look at the HBCU experience.
  - AAKC exec. Board members (2) are serving on NASPA’s committee for HBCU’s and Minority Serving Institutions.
- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.)
  - Regional work by reps on the following topics: LGBT, Hazing/Greek Life, Student Athletes
  - Encouraging discourse around public policy, PhD/EdD, and the different needs of Black students, staff and faculty

### NASPA Strategic Plan

#### Goal 1:

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

- a. Helped disseminate scholarly efforts of Graduate Students who needed participants in for research efforts.
- b. Utilized assessment results to provide change that membership desired.
- c. More than five AAKC executive team members will present at the national conference.

*Note: So as not to be repetitive this information is also found under other Goals/sections throughout this report.*

## Goal 2:

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education

- We have created and disseminated two public policy newsletters updating our AAKC members on policy and their implications on the African American experience in student affairs.
- Policies and news articles have been shared that focus on students, staff and faculty reflecting the spectrum of the collegiate experience.
- The AAKC has cosponsored a webinar with the Latino/a Knowledge Community exploring the experience undocumented students at institutions of higher education across the country. This discussion-infused presentation will allow participants to learn about emerging trends with this demographic and also to identify the unique needs posed by students at this crossroads. This aligns directly with NASPA’s public policy agenda:
  - d) Student Success and College Completion
  - e) Issues related to undocumented students
  - f) Cost of funding higher education, including related accountability efforts
- The AAKC will support its membership, through advocating and educating around issues of public policy at the annual meeting in March. This will be the first time membership will be introduced to the AAKC public policy agenda. Based on data from the on-going assessment (completed in early February 2013) this will inform the agenda for the upcoming year.
- Thus far the AAKC has only tracked two salient issues occurring at a state and / or national frame:
  - a) Issues related to undocumented students (partnership webinar)
  - b) Affirmative-Action cases revisited at the close of 2012

## Goal 3

Nothing to Report at this Time.

## Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

*Objectives*

- 4.1 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

- The African American Knowledge Community has partnered with the Latino Knowledge Community to present a webinar on the diverse experiences of undocumented students. The goal in the next year is to partner with additional knowledge communities on issues that impact multiple identities.

#### 4.4 Increase opportunities for innovation through technology.

- Social Media Presence : We now have 410 followers and are following 498 on our twitter account. Our facebook (FB) is now up to 230 'Likes'. I anticipate with the conference coming in March, we will be able to double the amount of followers and Likes through both, the twitter and FB accounts. With sign-ups and photos being taken we will have an opportunity to introduce these social media handles to new faces.
- Sources of outreach:
  - FACEBOOK — NASPA African American Knowledge Community (*like us!*)
  - LINKEDIN - NASPA African American Knowledge Community
  - TWITTER - @AAKC\_NASPA (*follow us!*)
  - Regional Webpages: I.e. IV East Region Facebook—Soul Food group page

#### 4.5 Strengthen NASPA’s contributions to student affairs graduate preparation programs.

- 2012-2013 Graduate Student Relations Agenda: In preparation for this year’s annual NASPA conference, graduate students participating in The Placement Exchange (TPE) were presented with materials that would assist in their interview preparation.
- Those resources are to include a newsletter with details of the services provided by the AAKC, tips for effective conference attendance, advice for navigating TPE, as well as resume writing tips and practice interview questions
- We have created and disseminated the following items to support both graduates, new professionals and those who are attending the conference for the first time:
  - TPE Newsletter – “Conference and TPE Preparation Guide”
  - TPE brochure- “Navigating your Journey to Employment”
  - These items breakdown student affairs jargon, share best practices, sample student affairs interview questions, etc...
- The AAKC Professional Development chair has developed an extensive list of suggested readings. The recommendations on this list range from literature on diversity in higher education to research and conference opportunities.
- Upcoming resources for graduate student members of the AAKC will include a “best practices in job searching” document as well as a list of summer internship opportunities; both to be made available by March.

### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- All of our meetings were conference calls, utilizing [www.freeconferencecalls.com](http://www.freeconferencecalls.com)
- Dates of calls:

- November 13, 2012
- December 11, 2013
- January 8, 2013
- February 12, 2013

The following meetings will take place in person at the national conference:

- March 15, 2013 (Executive Board Meeting)
- African American Knowledge Community - Business Meeting (Open to all)
  - Date: 3/18/13
  - Start Time: 11:00 AM, End Time: 1:00 PM
  - Location: Bahamas-Aruba - Marriott



**Todd Porter and Dr. Ken Schneck**  
**Alcohol and Other Drug Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
**February 1, 2013**

### NASPA Mission

To be the principal source for leadership, scholarship, professional development, and advocacy for students.

### Leadership

Included in the “leadership” section of the Board report:

- KC Report
  - Overall the Knowledge Community is holding fairly steady with the creation of new awards, the implementation of drive-in conferences, and the active engagement of individuals on the KC listserv.
- Leadership/Volunteer Management: The nominating committee for the chair-elects of the AOD KC somehow fell apart, and thus the current chairs quickly stepped in to identify interested parties to fill this important role. We were able to identify two incredible candidates to run as co-chairs, ensuring that there was a populated ballot for the current KC Chair election. We continue to struggle with how to best utilize the regional chairs. Currently, we largely leave them to their own activities, asking them to do what they can to promote the dialogue of AOD issues in their regions, and more specifically, at their regional conferences. We will gather in Orlando to flesh this out more.
- Member Engagement: We continue to utilize both the formal and informal listservs to engage members about ongoing topics impacting the AOD prevention community. We hosted another successful dial-in conference (see below) that pulled in participants from another 100 institutions.
- Community Involvement: We continue to encourage our Leadership Team to be mindful and active within their specific regions and think about how they are engaging members on the local level.
- Award Recognition: See scholarship section.

### Scholarship

Included in the “scholarship” section of the Board report:

- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement: The KC has created a \$100 scholarship for the NASPA conference for a graduate student interested in AOD prevention work in Student Affairs. We selected a graduate student recipient from Florida International University.
- We have created a \$350 research grant for a practitioner or faculty member interested in doing scholarship on AOD prevention work in student affairs. The application deadline was in early December, but unfortunately, despite colleagues expressing interest in this opportunity, we did not receive any completed applications.

### Professional Development

Included in the “professional development” section of the Board Report:

- The National Conference Program Review Committee reported an extremely rich and vibrant set of AOD-related programs to choose from for the upcoming conference in Orlando and the resulting slate of presentations looks to be extremely engaging.
- Our most recent Dial-In Conference: was entitled “**Integrated AOD Models for collaboration between Student Affairs and Athletics Dial-in Conference**” and was held on 12/13/13.
  - Over 100 institutions represented.
  - The call focused on the new partnership between NASPA and NCAA Division III providing an institutionalized and ongoing structure to discuss issues around alcohol and drug abuse amongst student athletes.

### Advocacy

Included in the “advocacy” section of the Board Report:

- State/local public policy issues: We continue to talk about policy and emerging trends in AOD work on the listserv. Additionally, Glen Sherman and Mary Anne Nagy continue to work on the NCAA task force as it relates to policies of student substance consumption.
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity: We are in the midst of planning our next dial-in conference focused on the experience of students of color with AOD issues.
- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.): Continued conversation on listservs as well as creation of dial-in conferences relating to AOD trends in student communities.

### NASPA Strategic Plan

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You may also reference the NASPA Mission report where the activity is described in detail above.

### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

Objectives

**(see Professional Development section)**

**Goal 2**

Nothing to report at this time.

**Goal 3**

Nothing to report at this time.

**Goal 4**

Nothing to report at this time.



**Raja Bhattar and JoeAnn Nguyen**  
**Asian Pacific Islanders Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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## Leadership

Included in the “leadership” section of the Board report:

- The APIKC has been doing well in supporting regional communities and getting ready for the national conference
  - Planning social activities, networking lunch, community fair participation
  - APPEX planning is also well underway
- We are working to transition our leadership team through an online survey on feedback on team members’ experiences on the leadership team and whether they plan to stay in their positions.
- Member Engagement – Nothing to report at this time
  - Community Involvement –Nothing to Report at this time
- Award Recognition- We are in the process of selecting our award recipients at this time.

## Scholarship

Included in the “scholarship” section of the Board report:

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - JoeAnn Nguyen, APIKC Co-Chairs has submitted an article on Southeast Asians access to higher education.
  - Many of our past board members, current board members and at-large members are presenting at regional and national conferences specifically on API community concerns
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement – Amefil Agbayani, Doris Ching & Samuel Museus edited book on underserved AAPI populations in higher education. The purpose of the book will be to excavate the voices of underserved AAPIs, with an emphasis on policies, programs, and practices that are designed to foster success among those AAPI’s in Higher Education.
- Grants/Research – Nothing to report at this time

## Professional Development

Included in the “professional development” section of the Board Report:

- Conferences, educational program reporting
  - Our Scholarship & Research team has selected several programs to be recognized at the national conference
- Various professional development opportunities (can overlap with leadership)
  - Regional Reps have been present at regional student affairs conferences to increase outreach, advocacy and mentorship opportunities.
  - The APIKC Mentorship Program has been reinvigorated and is currently being reestablished with opportunities for graduate students and new professionals to learn from upper and mid-level professionals

## Advocacy

Included in the “advocacy” section of the Board Report:

- State/local public policy issues
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity
- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.)

Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

#### *Objectives*

- 1.2 Be the primary source of data on the experience of college and university students.
  - 1.2.1 Updated website to include more recent research on AAPI students and student affairs professionals in higher education

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

#### *Objectives*

- 2.1 Track state and regional issues that might significantly affect students, practitioners, and/or campuses.

2.1.1 Advocate for NASPA to sign on to Amicus Brief for Texas Affirmative Action case

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### *Objectives*

4.5 Diversify and strengthen the sources of NASPA's revenue.

4.1.1 Obtained corporate sponsorship for AAPEX lunch

### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- January 16, 2013 – All KC Leadership Team meeting
- February 2013 – Conference Preparation Call



**Dr. Ellen Meents-DeCaigny and Dr. Lance Kennedy-Phillips**  
**Assessment, Evaluation and Research Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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## Leadership

### KC Report

- The KC has focused its efforts in the following areas over the past 4 months:
  - Establishing and implementing a Research and Assessment Grant process.
  - Establishing and implementing an Assessment Award process.
  - Conducting surveys of KC members and other KCs regarding their interest in and use of social media, on order to launch our KC Facebook page (December 2012).
  - Tightening the KC communications timelines to ensure timely delivery of the KC newsletter and developing additional communications for the upcoming annual conference.
  - Participating in program review for the national conference.
- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - The Leadership team meets monthly to discuss KC business and progress toward goals. The KC Co-Chairs each work with a specific set of sub committees to support projects and stay abreast of progress-to-date.
- Member engagement
  - KC members are kept abreast of KC news through the KC newsletter and listserv.
  - KC members have been engaged through sub-committee involvement, through participation in webinar programs, and through contributions to the KC newsletter. Member engagement continues to be a challenge and increasing engagement needs to remain a focus of the KC.
- The KC has engaged the broader student affairs community through ongoing webinar sessions focused on the importance of defining and assessing co-curricular learning.
- The KC will implement a new Assessment Award this year. The goal of the award is to highlight outstanding assessment practices in the field and encourage the sharing of such practices across

the field. The awardees will be announced during the Assessment and Persistence Conference and be asked to present their project/practice during the conference.

### Scholarship

- The AER KC produces a newsletter 4 times a year
  - As of Fall 2012 the KC now solicits articles related to assessment, written by KC members, to be submitted for review and publication in the newsletter
- The AER-KC will sponsor a research and assessment grant to further increase knowledge in the field.
  - Awardees will be announced in March 2013
  - Final reports will be due May 2014
- The AER KC will award a new Assessment Award to a colleague(s) facilitating outstanding assessment in the field.
  - Awardee(s) will be announced at the Assessment and Persistence Conference
  - Awardees will present their outstanding assessment project during the Assessment and Persistence Conference

### Professional Development

- The AER KC provided an Assessment Skill Building pre-conference session during the NASPA IV-E Regional Conference
- The AER KC Fall 2012 webinar Series focused on Co-Curricular Learning  
More than 30 institutions participated in each webinar session.  
Dates, presenters and topics are below:

Tuesday, October 30, 2012, 2:00-3:15 EST - Dan Bureau, Ph.D., Director, Student Affairs Learning and Assessment, University of Memphis, presented, "CAS Standards and Learning Outcomes—Using the CAS Standards to Create Divisional, Departmental, and Activity Outcomes"

Tuesday, November 13, 2012, 2:00-3:15 EST - D'Arcy John Oaks, Ph.D., Associate Director for Assessment and Planning with the Center for the Study of Student Life, The Ohio State University, presented, "A Co-Curricular Systems Map"

Tuesday, December 11, 2012, 2:00-3:15 EST - Michael N. Christakis, Ph.D., Assistant Vice President for Student Success, University at Albany, presented, "Identifying and Measuring Student Learning Outside of the Classroom"

The Spring 2012 and Fall 2012 series have been very successful and the KC is in the planning stages for a Spring 2013. Since the previous two series have focused on co-curricular learning, the next series will be focusing on using assessment data in different ways, such as to support data-driven decision making and to better understand student engagement on campus.

## Advocacy

Nothing to Report at this Time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

#### *Objectives*

1.2 Demonstrate the impact of student affairs on student learning, persistence, and success through scholarship, assessment, evaluation, and research.

- Members of the AER KC leadership team serve on the Assessment and Persistence Conference Planning Committee to help select speakers and programs in line with current scholarship, assessment and research in the field.
- The AER KC will sponsor a research and assessment grant to further increase knowledge in the field.
  - Awardees will be announced in March 2013
  - Final reports will be due May 2014

### Goal 2

Nothing to Report at this Time.

### Goal 3

Nothing to Report at this Time.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### *Objectives*

4.1 Diversify and strengthen the sources of NASPA's revenue.

- The 3 webinar series developed by the AER KC and facilitated in partnership with the NASPA office have been a revenue source for the national organization and the KC. KC revenue will be used to fund the new KC Assessment Award and Research Grant initiative.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

Monthly Leadership Team Conference Calls have occurred (will occur) on the following dates:

- October 18, 2012

- November 15, 2012
- December 20, 2012
- January 17, 2013
- February 21, 2013

Sub-committee conference calls have taken place when needed to develop the following initiatives:

Research and Assessment Grant

Assessment Award

Social Media Strategy and Launch

Communications Strategies and Newsletter



**Neal Lipsitz**  
**Disability Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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## Leadership

*Included in the "leadership" section of the Board report:*

- KC Report
  - KC offered a conference accessibility liaison to help National Conference organizers attend to access issues.
  - Three KC members are editing and several KC members are contributing as authors to an update to the outdated NASPA Monograph 17 – "A Student Affairs Guide to the ADA and Disability Issues" which was published in 1994. The KC submitted a Book Proposal and Author Guidelines to NASPA and approval was granted to write: Beyond the ADA: Inclusive Policy and Practice for Students with Disabilities in Higher Education. Book is in process (chapter drafts are currently being reviewed by the editors) and includes authors from NASPA, AHEAD and ACPA.
  - KC Leadership Team members weighed in on the final revisions of the CAS Disability Resources and Services (DRS) Standards and Guidelines.
  - KC Leadership attended regional AHEAD business meetings.
- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - Conference Accessibility Liaison position filled by Robyn Hudson, Region III Representative.
  - Region I Co-Representatives position filled by Jennifer DelRey and Anyelina Diaz.
  - KC Newsletter Editor position filled by Condoa Parent.
- Member Engagement
  - Continue to increase membership in the KC by actively seeking out new members at National and Regional Conferences.
  - Reach out to members of other professional associations (e.g., AHEAD) for new membership.
  - Correspond with KC membership encouraging them to take on regional and national leadership positions.
  - Successfully recruited a KC Newsletter Editor, Conference Accessibility Liaison, and Region I Co-Representatives.
  - Encourage program proposals for regional and national conferences.
  - Engaged KC member to write article for KC Spring 2013 Publication.

- Community Involvement
  - Nothing to report at this time
- Award Recognition
  - Nothing to report at this time

## Scholarship

*Included in the “scholarship” section of the Board report:*

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - Upcoming KC Newsletter will highlight national resources that aim to help students with disabilities obtain internships and employment.
  - Three KC members are editing and several KC members are contributing as authors to an update to the outdated NASPA Monograph 17 – “A Student Affairs Guide to the ADA and Disability Issues” which was published in 1994. The KC submitted a Book Proposal and Author Guidelines to NASPA and approval was granted to write: Beyond the ADA: Inclusive Policy and Practice for Students with Disabilities in Higher Education. Book is in process (chapter drafts are currently being reviewed by the editors) and includes authors from NASPA, AHEAD and ACPA.
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement
  - KC Co-Chair Elect and graduate student wrote article for KC Spring 2013 Publication.
  - Three KC members are editing and several KC members are contributing as authors to an update to the outdated NASPA Monograph 17 – “A Student Affairs Guide to the ADA and Disability Issues” which was published in 1994. The KC submitted a Book Proposal and Author Guidelines to NASPA and approval was granted to write: Beyond the ADA: Inclusive Policy and Practice for Students with Disabilities in Higher Education. Book is in process (chapter drafts are currently being reviewed by the editors) and includes authors from NASPA, AHEAD and ACPA.
- Grants/Research
  - Nothing to report at this time

## Professional Development

*Included in the “professional development” section of the Board Report:*

- Conferences, educational program reporting
  - Region I offered a “Fireside Chat” with Michael Hitchcock of “Glee” on leadership and awareness building on January 12, 2013 to graduate students with disabilities.
- Various professional development opportunities (can overlap with leadership)
  - Provided opportunity and appointed a KC Newsletter Editor from within the KC membership.
  - Provided opportunity and appointed a Conference Accessibility Liaison from within the KC Leadership Team to work with NASPA conference planners.

## Advocacy

Included in the “advocacy” section of the Board Report:

- State/local public policy issues
  - Nothing to report at this time
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity
  - KC is working to ensure that educational opportunities (webinars, conferences) that address “diversity” are inclusive of disability as diversity.
- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.)
  - Region I offered a “Fireside Chat” with Michael Hitchcock of “Glee” on leadership and awareness building on January 12, 2013 to graduate students with disabilities.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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## Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

### Objectives

- 1.3 Tighten and align the connections among theory, research, and practice.
  - KC is updating the outdated NASPA Monograph 17 – “A Student Affairs Guide to the ADA and Disability Issues” which was published in 1994. The KC submitted a Book Proposal and Author Guidelines to NASPA and approval was granted to write: Beyond the ADA: Inclusive Policy and Practice for Students with Disabilities in Higher Education. Book is in process and includes authors from NASPA, AHEAD and ACPA.
- 1.4 Enhance skills and provide tools to conduct student affairs program reviews in support of best practice and institutional effectiveness.
  - KC Leadership Team members weighed in on the final revisions of the CAS Disability Resources and Services (DRS) Standards and Guidelines.

## Goal 2

Nothing to report at this time.

## Goal 3

Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.

### Objectives

- 3.3 Provide context-appropriate professional development activities to improve knowledge and skills of student affairs professionals both domestic and abroad.

- Two KC members offered workshops on Anxiety Disorders and Related Collaboration with Disability Services for Student Affairs Division at Boston College and also for Boston College faculty, 10/9/12.
- Provide educational sessions at Regional and National Conferences for NASPA, AHEAD.
- The NASPA Disability KC has options to connect through Facebook – KC members are asked to please post links to events, stories, reports, etc. This provides an opportunity for topical discussions and information.
- Creation of Twitter account and LinkedIn polls for news and discussion.
- We have been assembling playlists and embedding them on the KC website for years. They are accessible via YouTube via [www.youtube.com/NASPADisabilityKC](http://www.youtube.com/NASPADisabilityKC). We have videos on topics such as:
  - Promoting Awareness of Disability in Society
  - Supporting Student Needs
  - Understanding Disability and Technology

#### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

##### *Objectives*

4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

- Melanie Thompson and Scott Friedman are working across ACPA, AHEAD, and the Illinois Board of Higher Education to develop and share resources with NASPA Disability KC members.
- Kaela Parks is serving on the AHEAD Standing Committee on Technology in addition to serving as the liaison between the Technology and Disability Knowledge Communities within NASPA. The hope is to ensure technology related accessibility best practices are incorporated and disseminated
- Information and technical assistance is offered to Regional and National Conference Planning
- Chuck Eade is serving as the liaison between the Campus Safety and Disability Knowledge Communities within NASPA.

#### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- October 15, 2012, KC leadership team conference call
- January 8, 2013, KC leadership team conference call

Please list your schedule of KC leadership team meetings from now through February 2013:

- Bi-monthly Leadership Team telephone conference calls and supplemental email correspondence.



**Dr. Todd Adams and Dr. Ron Binder**  
**Fraternity & Sorority Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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## **NASPA Mission**

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## **Leadership**

- The KC Leadership/Volunteer team grew with the addition of two new Regional Representatives to replace outgoing representatives
- Monthly Team calls were held since the March conference
- The Facebook groups (professional and grad/new professional) were very active with more than weekly postings of current events and announcements. The groups now have over 250 members and are being used widely by the 1,800 KC members.

## **Scholarship**

- A Fraternity & Sorority Research Summit is being discussed with a small planning group that will gather at the NASPA meeting. Tentatively this summit will take place at the beginning of the AFA Annual Meeting later this year. The summit will forge a research agenda for the Fraternity & Sorority Movement that will hopefully guide research broadly in this area.

## **Professional Development**

- During monthly team calls a portion of the agenda is devoted to current happenings in the profession and general announcements of upcoming events.
- Members of the NASPA Office have been invited to participate in the monthly KC Team calls to gain feedback on KC activities.
- The KC leadership created a Distinguished Service Award that will be presented at the NASPA KC Business Meeting to recognize a KC member who has contributed greatly to advancing the KC (consistent with Kouzes & Posner's Leadership Challenge theory).
- KC Team members engaged in promoting program proposals for the annual conference and submitting proposals.
- The KC Team will be putting together a "guide" to the NASPA meeting with fraternity & sorority related meetings, programs, receptions, etc., and will be sent to the 1,800 KC members.

## Advocacy

- We are finalizing plans for the Greek Summit, to be held as a pre-conference at the annual Conference, to be held on the UCF campus. A focus for this every-other-year summit is to maximize Senior Student Affairs Officers involvement. This program is supported by the Scott Academy. We currently have 15 Senior Student Affairs Officers and 12 Interfraternal partners committed to the Summit. We will be utilizing this group to forge an agenda for fraternities & sororities for the next two years.
- We continue to monitor Federal legislation regarding hazing and note that those found responsible for violations will not have their financial aid stripped.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### F&S KC MISSION

*We provide a forum for discussion of issues, knowledge dissemination and fostering collaboration between institutions of higher learning, inter/national fraternities and sororities, and related national organizations that have a shared interest in advancing fraternities and sororities*

### F&S KC VISION

*We advance campus-based ethical and values-based fraternity & sorority communities that further the educational mission of their host institutions*

### Goal 1

- The F & S KC has is utilizing the past chair to be responsible for the upcoming Greek Summit. By taking advantage of his institutional memory, we are able to advance the program from past iterations.

### Goal 2

- The fast-approaching Greek Summit will provide SSAO's with a venue to think critically of how fraternities and sororities operate in Higher Education

### Goal 3

- 3.2 The Fraternity and Sorority Research Summit should provide much needed guidance on research that is needed in this area and has the potential to have far-reaching effects. The planning group includes NASPA, AFA and the Center for the Study of the College Fraternity

### Goal 4

- As mentioned above, the F & S KC developed a Strategic Plan that will guide its work for the next two years. A portion of the monthly Leadership Team calls are devoted to reviewing this plan to avoid mission creep

- The KC has also worked well with our Interfraternal partners to secure funding for the Interfraternal Reception at the NASPA meeting and support for the Greek Summit. Without this support the KC would not be able to produce these programs

### **Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings**

- Monthly meetings have been held the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 4-5 EST. Attendance has been very good and keeps the KC on track with its ambitious agenda.



**T.J. Jourian and Patrick Lukingbeal**  
**GLBT Knowledge Community**  
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## Leadership

- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - Planning first half-day Leadership Retreat at Annual Conference
    - Committee created from Leadership Team to drive content and facilitation of retreat
    - Topics include:
      - Addressing barriers to member involvement and submissions
      - Creating an operations calendar
      - Conducting an organizational self-assessment on leadership diversity
      - Assessing GLBT KC's conference presence and events
      - Communicating and naming the purpose/vision/mission/strategic plan of the KC
  - Co-chair elect nominating committee assisted in the recruitment and nomination of a pair of Co-Chair elects currently running
  - Utilized Volunteer Central to find NASPA members
    - to assist with the development of LGBTQ Job Search Guide for distribution through TPE website and at TPE;
    - to consider for positions in Leadership Team as Job Search/TPE Liaison Core Member and Webinar Core Member
  - All other roles are currently filled, including region representatives
- Member Engagement
  - Planning "Beyond Binaries: Supporting Bisexual, Pansexual, Fluid, and Queer Identified Students" webinar for February with Christine Dolan and Sabrina Labor, past White Paper contributors
  - The member-driven Trans\* Inclusion group has created a database contributing the names of folks to propose as speakers on trans\* topics at NASPA events, including conferences.

- The members of the Trans\* Inclusion group are also working within various constituencies (on campus, across networks, within other KCs) to raise awareness around NASPA's and the GLBT KC's efforts towards trans\* inclusion.
- Facilitated survey to GLBT NUFP Fellows – 15 completed survey results being analyzed.
- GLBT NUFP Fellows Facebook page created with 50 current members  
(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/491887090845863/>)
- Upcoming QPOC Facebook page to share research and hot topics in collaboration with ACPA
- Community Involvement
  - Region I GLBT KC raised \$250 for Connecticut LGBT organization through fundraising during Region I conference
  - Chris Mosier serving as representative for GLBT KC on 2013 Multicultural Institute planning committee
  - The KC has planned a full slate of events for the Annual Conference
    - GLBT NUFP Social – 3/16
    - Leadership Retreat – 3/17
    - LGBTQ Women's Breakfast – 3/18
    - KC Open Meeting – 3/18
    - Trans\* Inclusion Meeting – 3/18
    - QPOC Social – 3/19
    - LGBTQQIA Awards Reception and Social – 3/19
- Award Recognition
  - Region I representative, Alex Cabal, received Region I Mid-Level Professional award
  - Recruited nominations and selected 2013 NASPA GLBT KC Award Recipients:
    - Outstanding New Professional – Emily Mears
    - Promising Undergraduate/Graduate Student – Symone Simmons (NEW CATEGORY)
    - Research Award – Tom Bourdon
    - Service to Student Affairs – Dr. Brit Katz

### Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - Released Fall 2012 White Paper issue with 9 submissions from people across the country from diverse backgrounds, and with diverse content  
(<http://www.naspa.org/2012FallNASPAGLBTKCWhitePaperFINAL.pdf>)
  - Some success with recruitment for these submissions has come from targeting conference presenters at ASHE or elsewhere.
  - 2 Webinars planned as a result of White Paper submissions
    - One already implemented – see under Professional Development
    - One upcoming – see under Leadership (Member Engagement)
  - Upcoming submission for Spring 2013 White Paper coming from Kijua Sanders-McMurtry (Vice Chair for Trans\* Inclusion) on trans\* inclusive practices by administrators at women's colleges.

- Submitted article by Bryce Hughes and Sylvia Hurtado on College Experiences that Contribute to Students' Thinking About Their Sexual Orientation Identity for Spring 2013 KC Publication
- January Newsletter completed – about to be released
- Currently developing March Newsletter-Annual Conference edition
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement
  - The GLBT KC's Spring 2013 KC Publication submission is co-authored by a faculty member at UCLA, Sylvia Hurtado
- Grants/Research
  - Research Award recipient Tom Bourdon will receive a research grant for his doctoral research project – 'A Qualitative Phenomenological Study of College Students with LGBTQ Parents'
  - Chris Mosier (Vice Chair for Trans\* Inclusion) is collaborating with others on a resource covering trans\* people in athletics and Title IX.

### Professional Development

#### **"A Frank Conversation About GLB People and Christianity"**

*December 3, 2012 – 2:00pm EST – Webinar*

- Presenters: Dr. Joshua Moon Johnson & Dr. Bernadette Barton
- Co-sponsored with NASPA's Spirituality and Religion KC and Latin@ KC; ACPA's Commission for Spirituality and Multiracial Network
- Over 120 registrations

#### **"Let's Talk! Conversations about Leadership and Allyship in Student Affairs"**

*November 30, 2012 – Clark University, Worcester, MA*

- Collaborative Drive-in conference between Region I's GLBT and SLP KCs

### Advocacy

- State/local public policy issues
  - Monthly Public Policy reports continuing to go out to membership
  - Released post-Presidential election version of Public Policy Update
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity
  - Updated LGBTQ Job Search Guide for TPE
  - Collaborating with TPE and ACUHO-I for LGBTQ Job Search Webinar on 2/7/13
  - The Vice Chairs for Trans\* Inclusion continue to work with the Annual Conference planning committee to include trans\* related educational and promotional materials, as well as gender-neutral restrooms at The Placement Exchange and the Annual Conference
  - Work in progress to have stickers for pronouns at Annual Conference made available to everyone attending
  - QPOC Core Members also working on stickers/buttons for visibility

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

#### Objectives

- 1.3 Be the primary source of data on the experience of college and university students.
- 1.2 Demonstrate the impact of student affairs on student learning, persistence, and success through scholarship, assessment, evaluation, and research.
- 1.5 Tighten and align the connections among theory, research, and practice.
- 1.6 Enhance skills and provide tools to conduct student affairs program reviews in support of best practice and institutional effectiveness.

For all of the above:

- Increased number and variety of submissions to White Papers
- Contributed to KC Publication
- Provided webinar on GLB and Christian identity based on empirical research

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

#### Objectives

- 2.1 Assert NASPA's leadership role in critical issues of public policy regarding higher education.
- 2.2 Define, adopt, and communicate a public stance on critical policy issues in higher education.
- 2.3 Build capacity among membership in order to effectively influence public policy.
- 2.4 Track state and regional issues that might significantly affect students, practitioners, and/or campuses.
  - Monthly public policy emails

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### Objectives

- 4.1 Diversify and strengthen the sources of NASPA's revenue.
- 4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

- 4.3 Review and redefine the roles and responsibilities of the NASPA President, Executive Director, Regional Vice Presidents, and Board structure and composition.
- 4.2 Increase opportunities for innovation through technology.
- 4.3 Strengthen NASPA's contributions to student affairs graduate preparation programs.
- 4.6 Ensure the participation and inclusion of NASPA's members in leadership and governance.
- 4.7 Examine resources and staffing to ensure alignment with strategic planning goals.
  - Continuing to do programs with other KCs, Consortium of LGBT Higher Ed Professionals, and ACPA SCLGBTA.
  - Expand to AERA Queer SIG and ASHE
  - Test out different technological avenues for newsletter dissemination; provision of webinars; outreach for involvement

### **Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings**

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- October 17 – Leadership Team Conference Call
- October 19 – Vice Chairs and Co-Chairs Conference Call
- November 14 – Leadership Team Conference Call
- December 17 – Vice Chairs and Co-Chairs Conference Call
- January 16 – Leadership Team Conference Call



**Natasha Mmeje and April Moore**  
**Health in Higher Education Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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**NASPA Mission**

To be the principal source for leadership, scholarship, professional development, and advocacy for students.

**Leadership**

*Included in the "leadership" section of the Board report:*

- KC Report
  - While regular meetings occurred, attendance has decreased significantly. Current leadership and representatives who attend meetings are very involved.
- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - Two nominees for the national co-chair positions were identified. Constance Boehm and Delynn Wilcox were on the ballot on the same ticket.
- Member Engagement
  - While we have a large number of members in the HHEKC, there are only a choice few who are involved. We will assess the HHEKC membership to glean new ways for us to connect.
- Award Recognition
  - Co-Chair April Moore was appointed to National Co-Chair of NIRSA's Health & Wellbeing Commission

**Scholarship**

*Included in the "scholarship" section of the Board report:*

- *Two articles were written.*
  - ***Healthy Campus 2020: Transforming the Health of Our College Campuses***, written by April Moore, was submitted to be included in the spring KC publication.
  - ***Examining Ourselves as Models of Health and Wellness***, written by Melina Stoops, will be submitted to Net Results for consideration and distributed to the HHEKC membership.

## Professional Development

*Included in the “professional development” section of the Board Report:*

- Conferences, educational program reporting
  - The HHEKC worked to have a strong showing at the AOD and Mental Health conference in January. As a part of this meeting, there was a wellness and health promotion directors’ track.

### **The 2013 NASPA Alcohol, Other Drug Abuse, and Violence Prevention & Intervention Conference and the NASPA Mental Health Conference, Directors of Wellness and Health Promotion track**

*May 31, 2012 – June 2, 2012 ◊ The Worthington Renaissance Fort Worth Hotel, Fort Worth, Texas*

- There were about 50 attendees at the AODV/MH conference. Of that, 22 attended the special track
- Targeting Wellness and Health Promotion Directors (WHPD), these sessions will provide an opportunity for primary leaders of campus health promotion and wellness efforts to use the “Ottawa Charter on Health Promotion,” the “Institute of Medicine Prevention Protractor,” and other foundational tools to increase knowledge and understanding of effective and innovative primary prevention and wellness strategies and the organizational models needed to support risk reduction, wellness enhancement, from a prevention perspective.
- Thirty-eight sessions were a part of this track. Participants had many options. This meeting was considered a success.

## Advocacy

Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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### Goal 1

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 2

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time.

## Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

### *Objectives*

4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

The HHEKC and THE AGAPPS KC will jointly offer a series of webinars on the wellness of graduate students and what higher education practitioners can do to meet their needs. While the webinar is through NASPA, we worked to offer the series free of charge to non-members with the hope of disseminating information to a wide audience in our field.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- October 12, 2012: 2:30-3:30pm CST
- November 8, 2012: 3:00-4:00pm CST
- January 30, 2013: 1:30-2:30pm CST
- February 27, 2013: 1:30-2:30pm CST
- March 18, 2013: 11am-12:30pm EST\*
- March 27, 2013: 1:30-2:30pm CST

\*All meetings are conference calls, with the exception of our meeting at NASPA on March 18



**Mary Kate Blake and Kathleen Callahan**  
**International Education Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
**February 1, 2013**

## NASPA Mission

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## Leadership

- The IEKC represents 1500 members from over 15 countries
- IEKC Best Practices Award Recognition
  - Best Practices in International Higher Education Award: International Exchange
    - NanoJapan – Professor Junichiro Kono, Dr. Cheryl Matherly, Sarah Phillips - Professor, Departments of Electrical & Computer Engineering and Physics & Astronomy, Rice University; Vice Provost for Global Education, University of Tulsa; Director, International Engineering Opportunities, Rice University
  - Best Practices in International Higher Education Award: International Programming
    - MOSAIC Initiative – Rachel Hardison, Sarah Langston - Program & Exchange Manager, Study Abroad Office, The University of South Carolina; Program & Exchange Manager, Study Abroad Office, The University of South Carolina
  - Best Practices in International Higher Education Award: Global Partnerships
    - UMBC – The Next Generation Engineer – Global Engineering – Anne Spence, Marc Zupan, António Barbedo de Magalhães, A. Santos, Katherine Heird - Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Maryland, Baltimore County; Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Maryland, Baltimore County; Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Universidade de Porto; A. Santos, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Universidade de Porto; International Education Specialist, Study Abroad Office, Univ. of Maryland Baltimore County
  - Best Practices in International Higher Education Award: Student Philanthropy
    - CEA C'è: CEA is There – Sara Troy, Kate Gioia Singer, CEA Global Education Program Manager, Program Coordinator & Advisor, Education Abroad Center, University of California Davis

## Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge:
  - Fall 2012 IEKC Newsletter
  - Monthly emails sent via listserv

## Professional Development

- Two members of the IEKC Leadership Team participated in the NASPA/IASAS Global Summit in Fall 2012 and continue to make connections with colleagues worldwide to further the commitment of NASPA's Strategic Goal #3.

## Advocacy

Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 2

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 3

Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.

#### *Objectives*

- 3.3 Provide context-appropriate professional development activities to improve knowledge and skills of student affairs professionals both domestic and abroad.
- To identify programs and opportunities for the development of knowledge and skills to highlight in the IEKC Resources section on the NASPA website: US Student Affairs/Higher Education Graduate programs with international opportunities, US Student Affairs/Higher Education Graduate programs with an international focus, free-standing international opportunities open to any graduate student, and free-standing international opportunities open to anyone.

### Goal 4

Nothing to report at this time.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

- October 1, 2012 – conference call
- November 5, 2012 – conference call
- December 3, 2012 – conference call
- January 7, 2013 – conference call
- February 4, 2013 – conference call
- March 4, 2013 – conference call
- March 18, 2013 – Leadership Team Meeting in Orlando



**Terry Mena, Chair and Dr. Angela Batista, Vice-Chair**  
**Latino/a Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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## NASPA Mission

To be the principal source for leadership, scholarship, professional development, and advocacy for students.

## Leadership

*Included in the "leadership" section of the Board report:*

- KC Report
  - Business of the KC
  - **Nominations/Elections** for the LKC Chair position are currently under way. Tonantzin Oseguera led a Nomination/Election Committee. The deadline for voting is 2/15/13. We have four strong candidates running for the position of Chair.
  - **Strategic Planning** – Sara Mata & Joel Perez are leading LKC Strategic Planning Committee and are working to bring forth a plan that is congruent to the NASPA Mission and Strategic Plan. The Committee will be charged at the conference where additional members will be recruited with the goal of increased membership involvement in the development of this LKC Strategic Plan and will continue after the conference with a Webinar session and working meetings.
- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - Marcelo Vazquez is the new LKC Liaison to Public Policy Division.
  - Jacinda M. Félix Haro, Director of Diversity Services at Suffolk University, has been appointed as LKC representative to the NASPA Multicultural Institute (NMI).
  - The Communications has become an expanded team and has undertaken a variety of avenues of social media and publications. We have reached out to the Latino/a Knowledge Community with announcements, weekly updates through Facebook, LinkedIn, and the La Voz weekly blog. They also published the spring newsletter and have created opportunity from many members to contribute.
- Member Engagement
  - During the NASPA Annual Conference and other regional conferences and events, members have more intentionally been encouraged to use Social Media (i.e., Tweeter or Facebook quotes about resources and memorable moments) to get members who are not able to attend involved.

- The utilization of social media has also resulted in an increased exchange of ideas between LKC members to exchange ideas between members.
- The Communications team has released two newsletters that encourage members to submit articles and photos to the semester issues of the newsletter (<http://www.naspa.org/kc/lkc/default.cfm>).
- Every third Thursday of month, emails are sent out with a combination of articles that have been posted on the Twitter account, announcements from the membership and updates from the LKC Leadership Team.
- Community Involvement
  - Issues relating to Latino/a in higher education are often shared among community members.
- Award Recognition
  - LKC Members who win regional/national awards are often mentioned on our various social media websites to highlight the accomplishments of our colleagues in their respective endeavors.
  - Member, Dr. Juan Guardia, selected as Mid-Level Student Affairs Professional Award.

## Scholarship

*Included in the “scholarship” section of the Board report:*

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc.)
  - LKC Newsletters
    - LKC members often contribute a variety of types of articles relating to Latino/as in higher education, professional development, research that they are engaged in, and among other things.
    - LKC members have an opportunity to highlight research they are conducting with readers in the LKC Newsletter.
    - Third Thursday emails include a section dedicated to news articles about Latino/a issues.
  - KC Publication
    - Under the leadership of Dr. Michelle Espino, LKC submitted an article for the KC Publication in the Spring 2013.
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement
  - In partnership with the University of Georgia, a team of researchers led by Dr. Laura Dean, Associate Professor in the College Student Affairs Administration program, the LKC is supporting a series of studies about assessment practices in various student affairs functional areas. The team is conducting a study focusing on assessment focused on multicultural student programs and services (MSPS). Once the team receives IRB approval, we are hoping to support the research team efforts to disseminate their study with the LKC members.

- Third Thursdays emails also include messages and information from the LKC Leadership Team and solicitation for research partnerships.
- *Grants/Research*
  - Nothing to Report at this Time.

## Professional Development

*Included in the “professional development” section of the Board Report:*

- Webinar: In partnership with AAKC, the LKC is collaborating on webinar titled, “*Looking Beyond Latinos: The True Face of Undocumented Students*”. It is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2013, at 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. (EST.). More information is available at [https://netforum.avectra.com/eweb/DynamicPage.aspx?Site=NASPA&WebCode=EventDetail&vt\\_key=992fbf2d-9c4b-4ece-aacb-6d428a12e458](https://netforum.avectra.com/eweb/DynamicPage.aspx?Site=NASPA&WebCode=EventDetail&vt_key=992fbf2d-9c4b-4ece-aacb-6d428a12e458)
- Webinar: Marcelo Vazquez will be facilitating a webinar on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm PST on EdDs and PhDs with a focus o Student Affairs and Student Services as well as job searching strategies for candidates of color.
- **We have identified the following LKC Conference Events** (some information to be determined)—
  - Saturday, March 16, 2013, **Café con Colegas: Latin@ Reflection Post-The Placement Exchange (TPE)** 3p-4p @ Location TBD (Point Person: Danielle Quiñones, 805-260-0110 txt/call)
  - Sunday, March 17, 2013, **LKC Pre-Conference Institute, La Frontera: From Aspiration to Attainment**, 9a-5p @ Marriott-TBD (Point Persons: Mary J Gonzales, [maryjog@mail.iastate.edu](mailto:maryjog@mail.iastate.edu) & Frank Cuevas, [fcuevas@utk.edu](mailto:fcuevas@utk.edu))
  - Monday, March 18, 2013, **Latino/a Knowledge Community Leadership Meeting**, 730a-930a @ Marriott-Emerald (Point Person: Terry Mena, [tmena@fau.edu](mailto:tmena@fau.edu))
  - Monday, March 18, 2013, **Café con Colegas: The Hues of Latinos, Deconstructing Race & Ethnicity Within Our Community**, 3p-4p @ Location TBD
  - Monday, March 18, 2013, 7p-9p, **Knowledge Community Fair**, (Point Person: Danielle Quiñones, 805-260-0110 txt/call)
  - Tuesday, March 19, 2013, **Latino/a Community General Assembly**, 9a-10a @ Marriott-Bahamas-Aruba, (Point Person: Terry Mena, [tmena@fau.edu](mailto:tmena@fau.edu))
  - Tuesday, March 19, 2013, **Latino/a Doctoral Student Support Group Meeting**, 11a-12p @ Marriott-Diamond
  - Tuesday, March 19, 2013, **Almuerzo con Colegas: Latin@ Mid-Level Dialogue**, 1130a-1p @ Location TBD
  - Tuesday, March 19, 2013, **LKC Mena-Valdez Awards Reception**, 7p-8p @ Marriott-St. Thomas, (Point Person: Terry Mena, [tmena@fau.edu](mailto:tmena@fau.edu))
  - Tuesday, March 19, 2013, **LKC Despedida/Farewell Meet Up**, 9p-11p @ Location TBD

## Advocacy

*Included in the “advocacy” section of the Board Report:*

- State/local public policy issues

- Issues relating to Latino/a in higher education are often shared among community members through the Newsletter, Third Thursdays, Twitter, Facebook, La Voz Blog, and other avenues of communication.
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity
  - The 9<sup>th</sup> installment of Latino/information has been distributed through the Weekly policy email updates sent out by Beth Devonshire, KC Liaison to Public Policy Division.
- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.)
  - N/A

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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### Goal 1

Nothing to Report at this Time.

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

#### *Objectives*

- 2.1 Assert NASPA's leadership role in critical issues of public policy regarding higher education.
  - LKC Newsletter & Blogging La Voz, Issues that are discussed in those two avenues are usually related to Latino/as in Higher Education.
- 2.2 Define, adopt, and communicate a public stance on critical policy issues in higher education
  - Twitter/Facebook account highlight and define the stance of the Latino/a Knowledge Community.
- 2.3 Build capacity among membership in order to effectively influence public policy.
  - LKC Newsletter/Blogging La Voz, often provide avenues for the membership to communicate their stance and influence over public policy.
- 2.4 Track state and regional issues that might significantly affect students, practitioners, and/or campuses.
  - Through the different avenues of communications our team uses to engage and communicate with our community (Facebook/Twitter/Newsletter/Blogging).

### Goal 3

Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.

#### *Objectives*

- 3.1 Provide context-appropriate professional development activities to improve knowledge and skills of student affairs professionals both domestic and abroad.
  - 3.1.1 Blogging/Newsletter: Allows for our membership to have professional development through writing blogs or articles for our publication that is communicated domestically and abroad.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### *Objectives*

- 4.4 Diversify and strengthen the sources of NASPA's revenue.
  - \* Mary Jo Gonzalez continues to work with EBI and other sponsors to finalize funding for the conference. We want to thank Walter Diaz, Latinos/as in Higher Education organization for providing funding for student scholarships for the conference.

### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- 1:00 – 2:00 pm (EST), Friday, October 26, 2012
- 1:00 – 2:00 pm (EST), Friday, December 7, 2012
- 1:00 – 2:00 pm (EST), Friday, January 25, 2013
- 1:00 – 2:00 pm (EST), Friday, February 22, 2013
- Annual Conference- March 16-20, 2013 (Orlando, Florida)



**Oswaldo Del Valle**  
**Men and Masculinities Knowledge Community**  
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### Leadership

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- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - Since, November 2012, the Chair of the MMKC worked with regional KC Coordinators as well as RVPs to fill empty or vacated regional representative positions within the MMKC. Currently, all Rep positions are filled!
    - Region I – Shane Long, Southern Maine U.
    - Region II – Jude Butch, University of Buffalo
    - Region III – Hawken Brackett, Clemson U.
    - Region IV-East – Rick Lofgren, Bowling Green State U.
    - Region IV-West – Steven Taylor, Southeast Missouri State U.
    - Region V – Franklin Soares, Oregon State U.
    - Region VI- Anthony Keen, San Diego State U.
  - The MMKC has received notices that our Region IV-East and IV-West KC Reps are stepping down in March 2013. Patrick Tanner (Chair-elect) and myself have reached out to the KC Coordinators in these two regions to assist with replacements reps.
  - The MMKC Chair also appointed a new colleague to national leadership positions within the MMKC. New for 2013 is the following position:
    - A third Special Projects Coordinator (Aaron Voyles, Appalachian State University), who will be the MMKC representative to the NASPA Multi-cultural Institute Conference Committee for December 2013.
- Member Engagement
  - On January 6, 2013, our Twitter account (@NASPA\_MMKC) **surpassed the 500 followers** mark!
  - Our Facebook page currently has 198 members and growing every week. Our MMKC Blog (<http://naspammkc.wordpress.com>) had the following analytics reported since September 2012: 1,442 views; 14 followers who have signed up

to receive emails; 75 posts (This includes some old posts); 47 shares; our most views in one day was 89; and 28 likes on various posts.

- Community Involvement
  - The MMKC reached out to folks across the country, via the MMKC listerv, to serve on our MMKC Sponsored Programs Selection Committee.
  - The MMKC reached out to folks across the country, via the MMKC listserv, to serve on our Awards Selection Committee.
- Award Recognition
  - The MMKC will be giving out two of its four award categories:
    - Innovative Initiative Award**  
Dicktations  
Franklin College, Switzerland
    - New Professional Award**  
Sacchi Patel  
Manager of Education and Emergency Response, Stanford University
  - It is the goal of the new KC Chair for 2013-15 to increase the marketing of the MMKC Awards, so that we have a healthy number of submissions for each award and can give out awards at the 2014 national conference in all four categories.

## Scholarship

*Included in the "scholarship" section of the Board report:*

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - The MMKC produced and distributed its quarterly newsletter for Winter 2013 on January 30, 2013.
  - The Chair of the MMKC and the Chair of the Standing Committee on Men and Masculinities (ACPA) Dan Tillapaugh met and selected to two leaders from within our respective groups to co-edit our joint publication: The Changing Faces of College Men. The MMKC's editor will be Chris Wilcox-Eliot, Scholar-Practitioner in Residence of the University of Virginia. The publication will be disseminated one to two weeks prior to the Conference on College Men in May 2013. The deadline for the call for submission is February 4, 2013.
- Grants/Research
  - Nothing to report at this time.

## Professional Development

*Included in the "professional development" section of the Board Report:*

- Conferences, educational program reporting
  - **2013 NASPA Region VI Men and Masculinities Drive-In Conference**

Meeting College Men at the Intersections, February 9, 2013 Redlands, CA - University of Redlands

Twelve sessions were had. The drive-in keynote speaker was Dr. Jason Laker of San Jose State University. Successes of the event are forthcoming for the next report.

- The MMKC Sponsored Programs Committee Selected three programs for the National Conference.
- Various professional development opportunities (can overlap with leadership)
  - See above

## Advocacy

*Included in the "advocacy" section of the Board Report:*

- State/local public policy issues
  - Nothing to report at this time.
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity
  - Selected representative of the MMKC to sit on the NASPA Multicultural Institution Conference Committee.
- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.)
  - Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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## Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

### *Objectives*

1.7 Enhance skills and provide tools to conduct student affairs program reviews in support of best practice and institutional effectiveness.

1.7.1 The MMKC continues to reach out to organizations that do work with college men, men or masculinities studies to utilize the Twitter hash tag #masculinities, so that we can all share across disciplines and professions information on men's work. Thus far, ACPA's Standing Committee on Men and Masculinities, American Psychological Association's (APA) Division 51 and the American Men's Studies Association have all agreed to utilize the hash tag: #masculinities to much success.

## Goal 2

Nothing to report at this time.

## Goal 3

Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.

### *Objectives*

- 3.2 Provide context-appropriate professional development activities to improve knowledge and skills of student affairs professionals both domestic and abroad.
  - 3.2.1 One regional drive-in conference was held in Region VI.

## Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

### *Objectives*

- 4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.
  - 4.2.1 The MMKC will partner with our colleagues at ACPA's Standing Committee on Men and Masculinities to produce a joint newsletter to be published in May 2013.
  - 4.2.2 The Chairs of both the MMKC and SCMM are Co-Chairing the 2013 Conference on College Men, a joint conference held every other year between NASPA and ACPA.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- Our pre-NASPA conference call will occur on during the second week of February 2013 to prepare for all of the MMKC related events at the national conference.
- MMKC meetings for this report were conducted one-to-one via telephone:
  - Region IV-East on October 23<sup>rd</sup>
  - Region V on December 5<sup>th</sup>
  - Awards Chair on November 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Social Media Chair on January 28<sup>th</sup>
  - Newsletter Editor on January 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Scholar-Practitioner on January 9<sup>th</sup>
  - The Chair Elect have been having on-going calls and has been CC'ed on all MMKC related emails.



**Yvonne Lin Giovanis**  
**MultiRacial Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
**February 1, 2013**

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## Leadership

- The MRKC has been filling open positions and new positions in its leadership.
  - Appointed new Region VI Representative (Michelle Dimmett, Saint Mary's College of California)
  - Appointed new Region IV-E Representative (Elicia Arai, Calvin College)
  - Still searching for a Region III Rep, but have prospects.
- Since we have had so much turnover in the Regional Representatives (over half), I hosted a special Regional Representatives training conference call in January to help orient them to their positions.
- Appointed a new Website Coordinator (Ana Nakano, new grad, CSU-Long Beach).
- Working with Listserv Coordinator to create an action plan for launching and utilizing the listserv as a regular research/discussion resource for the MRKC.
- Revised some leadership team roles – incorporated Research into the Vice-Chair role among other changes. In discussions with Co-Chair elects on structure and function of appointed positions, recommendations for the future.

## Scholarship

- Co-Chair Elect Joshua Moon Johnson wrote an article for the Spring 2013 KC Publication, “Embracing a Post Modern Student Identity.”
- Continuing to promote/develop ideas of intersections of identity.
  - Raising awareness of Co-Chair Elect Joshua Moon Johnson’s book, “Beyond Surviving: From Religious Oppression to Queer Activism”
  - Hosting “Intersections of Identity” Roundtable Brown Bag lunch at Annual Conference.
- In final stages to launch the MRKC research mini-grant. Plan to promote in the beginning of February with selection in March and announcement of recipient at MRKC Business Meeting at the Annual Conference.

## Professional Development

**NECBAC** – New England Counselors of Color Bridging Access to College

*August 7-9, 2013 – Assumption College*

- Sarah Gallenberg (Region I MRKC Rep) is on the committee
- MRKC is looking to find ways to support this conference and group of professionals
- Anticipated attendance is between 40 and 100 attendees.

**Western Regional Conference** (Region V & VI, Nov. 7-10)

*November 7-10, 2012 - Waikoloa, HI*

- MRKC meeting and social attended by about 20 individuals

## Advocacy

- Discussion has started to generate about Russia's implantation of an adoption ban on the United States. Since we want to represent the interests of trans-racial adoptees, this may lead to future action from the MRKC.
- Sponsored program at the Annual conference on "Practical Tools for Advising Multiracial Students"
- Sponsored discussion on "Intersections of Identity" at the Annual Conference. Looking for ways to partner more with the LGBT KC on future endeavors.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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## Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

### *Objectives*

- 1.4 Be the primary source of data on the experience of college and university students.
  - \* Official kick-off for the MRKC Research Mini-Grant in February. Plan to announce first recipients at the Annual Business Meeting in Orlando.
  - \* Official launch of the MRKC listserv prior to the Annual Conference. Strategic plan for the listserv will be to host monthly discussion topics about current issues, research and trends.
- 1.8 Tighten and align the connections among theory, research, and practice.
  - \* Sponsored program at the Annual conference on "Practical Tools for Advising Multiracial Students."

## Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

### *Objectives*

2.3 Build capacity among membership in order to effectively influence public policy.

- Striving to develop leadership opportunities at the regional and national levels to increase participation by MRKC members in order to better address current issues and hot topics and have a broader range of perspectives represented.
- Planning future collaborations with GLBT KC – re: individuals of multiple identity, their identity development, and current issues such as bullying, hate crimes, etc.

## Goal 3

Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.

### *Objectives*

3.3 Provide context-appropriate professional development activities to improve knowledge and skills of student affairs professionals both domestic and abroad.

- Developing MRKC Member work-groups to develop and coordinate co-sponsored activities with ACPA's MRN – e.g. joint webinar, shared online resources and/or publications.

## Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

### *Objectives*

4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

- Continue to investigate opportunities to partner with other KCs – e.g. roundtables or programs at conferences – as well as representation with other conferences or organizations.

4.4 Increase opportunities for innovation through technology.

- Investigating ways to connect Twitter feed and Facebook connected with website; discussing possibilities of hosting resource reviews/blogs posted via our website so current knowledge and information is shared more broadly.

4.5 Strengthen NASPA's contributions to student affairs graduate preparation programs.

- Charged MRKC NUPP/NPGS KC liaison with finding ways the MRKC can develop connections with those groups.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- October 11, 2012 – Conference Call
- November 8, 2012 – Conference Call

- January 17, 2013 – Regional Representatives Conference Call; Individual Calls in January to other MRKC leadership team members.
- February 14, 2013 – scheduled conference call
- March 7, 2013 – scheduled conference call
- March 17, 2013 – scheduled in-person leadership team meeting in Orlando



**Dan Hirsch**  
**New Professionals and Graduate Students Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
**February 1, 2013**

### NASPA Mission

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### Leadership

- The NPGS KC has worked to increase its social media presence at both the national and regional levels. We are now active on several different media and are coordinating these efforts with our blog postings.
- The NPGS KC Strategic plan committee is being formed to leave replicate the Strategic plan process of NASPA to be passed along to future NPGS KC leadership teams.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual NPGS Consortium will be held again at the national conference. NPGS KC members are invited to participate in several discussion and focus groups throughout the conference, focusing on current issues and hosted by NPGS leadership.

### Scholarship

- The NPGS KC blog is being used in partnership with the social media outlets, but with more of an academic focus. Articles of varied topics are posted to keep members informed of relevant and current issues.
- An NPGS KC member submitted an article to the bi-annual KC Publication entitled *Emboldening Your Job Search: Advice from a Mid-Level Professional*

### Professional Development

#### **NPGS KC Conference Consortium**

March 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 ♦ Marriott Hotel, Orlando, Florida

- Number of Attendees = 20 (anticipated)

### Advocacy

Nothing to report at this time.

### NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

NPGS KC Blog

1.5 We have started to use the blog and it is taking shape.

1.2 <http://naspanpgskc.wordpress.com/>

### Goal 2

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 4

Nothing to report at this time.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

- NPGS KC Leadership Team Conference Calls – 3:30pm EST
  - December 7<sup>th</sup>, February 8<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>
- National Conference events – Orlando
  - NPGS KC Reception, 3/18/13, 7:30-8:30pm
  - NPGS KC Business Meeting, 3/19/13, 4:00-5:00pm

**Dr. Ken Gassiot and Dr. Sheri King**  
**Parent and Family Relations Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
**February 1, 2013**

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## Leadership

- KC Report
  - The KC has been largely communication-oriented this reporting period. Email and Facebook have assisted with distribution of information related to opportunities within the KC to get involved.
  - Business meeting plans was discussed and finalized in preparation for the 2013 annual conference in Orlando.
- Several volunteers have been added to the leadership roster to fill regional rep vacancies.

## Scholarship

- The KC newsletter published an edition since the last Board report. Various items were included in this issue, including articles on learning outcomes, CAS Standards, and published literature to provoke thinking amongst the KC.
- The KC sponsored research grant that was initiated in Fall 2011 and awarded in Spring 2012 will continue for 2012-2013 and should commence soon with the application process.

## Professional Development

Nothing to Report at this Time.

## Advocacy

Nothing to Report at this Time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

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**Goal 1**

Nothing to Report at this Time.

**Goal 2**

Nothing to Report at this Time.

**Goal 3**

Nothing to Report at this Time.

**Goal 4**

Nothing to Report at this Time.

**Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings**

Email communication with the KC leadership team has been the standard since November 2012. We will host our next meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2013.



**Nicole Hoefle-Cronenwett**  
**Spirituality and Religion in Higher Education Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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### Leadership

- We have two additional leadership positions for the KC. The new position titles are Historian and New Member Coordinator. We have appointed an individual to each position and they will begin meeting in our monthly conference calls in February.
- We have set term limitations for each of our new leadership positions and are working to create a leadership manual for all team members.
- We are continuing to build a foundation for meeting on a regular basis as a KC leadership team; developing a record keeping system; and consistently communicating with our KC members regarding KC activities. We will continue to build on this foundation during the coming year.
- Several KC leadership team members are actively using Facebook and Twitter to inform members of KC events and articles relating to spirituality and religion.
- We will continue our participation in the White House initiative-President's Interfaith and Community Service Campus Challenge.
- Continuous enhancements and updates are being made to the KC website so that members have access to information regarding the latest activities of the KC.

### Scholarship

- Our SRHE newsletter is distributed twice during the academic year.
- Research articles are included in the newsletter to support the generation and dissemination of knowledge.
- In the months to come, we will seek to generate more knowledge for our membership and NASPA through our newsletter and regional conferences. We will also seek opportunities to partner with NASPA to serve the greater Student Affairs profession by being open and available to opportunities that are presented to us and initiating new activities that serve our colleagues.

### Professional Development

- On Monday, December 3, 2012 we supported the NASPA GLBT Issues Knowledge Community in co-sponsoring a webinar titled "A Frank Conversation about Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual People and Christianity" for professionals to learn how to support both the GLBT and Christian communities.

## Advocacy

Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

The KC leadership team will continue to seek opportunities to collaborate with student affairs professionals here and abroad to encourage a spirit of continuous religious dialogue

- The KC leadership team will work with such groups as the Interfaith Youth Corp, ACPA, NASPA, and ACSO to learn of opportunities to collaborate with student affairs professionals. We hope to create moments of dialogue for our students to talk about and share their experiences of religious identity growth and challenges facing them regarding spiritual matters.
- As KC leadership team learns of new organizations such as the Center for Contemplative Mind in Society, we will be sharing information from these organizations with our membership.
- We are working to identify a KC representative to serve on the planning committee for 2013 NASPA Multicultural Institute (NMI).

### Goal 2

The KC leadership team will seek to create new leadership materials

- The KC leadership team will gather information regarding past events and actions of the SRHE KC in an effort to create a historical record for future leadership team members and general members.
- The KC leadership team will be working to create a leadership manual for team members.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

Since October 2012, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team

- November 8 -conference call
- December 13 -conference call
- January 18 -conference call

Since September 2012-monthly transition meetings held between current chair and the co-chairs elect.

- September 20 – transition call
- December 7 – transition call
- January 24 – transition call

Please list your schedule of KC leadership team meetings from now through May 2013:

- February's call is still being scheduled - conference call
- March
  - KC Breakfast meeting – in person meeting at annual conference
  - Full leadership team – conference call
  - Coordinator team with Mel - conference call
  - Regional reps with Jerry - conference call
- April
  - Full leadership team – conference call

- Coordinator team with Mel - conference call
  - Regional reps with Jerry - conference call
- May
  - Full leadership team – conference call
  - Coordinator team with Mel - conference call
  - Regional reps with Jerry - conference call



**Shane Carlin and Sara Hartley**  
**Student Affairs Fundraising and External Relations Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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### Leadership

*Included in the "leadership" section of the Board report:*

- Our group continues to work on filling all the Regional KC positions.
- The current and incoming KC Chairs (Shane Carlin and Sara Hartley) have been working together in preparation for the 2013 Student Affairs Fundraising Conference (SAFC) that will be held in the summer. We are looking at LSU as the potential host school.
- We continue to work with other volunteers not only for the SAFC committee, but also to assist in writing articles for the KC online and hard-copy publications.

### Scholarship

*Included in the "scholarship" section of the Board report:*

- We continue to participate in the bi-yearly KC online and hard-copy publications regarding Student Affairs Fundraising. Our last entry was about parent fundraising.
- Sara Hartley will represent our KC in the Regions Blogs.
- Sara Hartley, Michael Kumler and Barb Jones will be giving advice on parents as donors in an article on Student Affairs Today.

### Professional Development

*Included in the "professional development" section of the Board Report:*

- This is an area we continue to do annually is provide a Student Affairs Fundraising Conference for those that are new and veterans to fundraising in Student Affairs.
- We are planning the 2013 conference and continuing to meet on a monthly basis and looking at LSU as our potential host school in July.
- Shane Carlin, Kim Nehls, and Rob Henry (CASE) will be offering a Student Affairs Development webinar for NASPA and CASE members.

## Advocacy

Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

- Host the annual Student Affairs Fundraising Conference.
- Host a future webinar in concert with NASPA and CASE in April 2013.
- Continue student affairs fundraising topical article submissions via different student affairs publications.

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

- Even though we aren't a KC that actually does any "advocacy", we are a still a new concept in Student Affairs at many campuses, so one might argue our area is being advocated more and more on campuses nationwide. For example, Shane, Sara, and other members of the KC have been asked for strategies around student affairs fundraising across the nation.

### Goal 3

Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.

- Our area hasn't broached this part within Student Affairs; however, we do work collaboratively with our sister Association CASE, which has a worldwide presence.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

- We are responding to the needs of our members in the Student Affairs Fundraising and External Relations KC based on the feedback from conferences and e-mails which in turn really add another dimension to NASPA's visibility and credibility.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

Since October 2012, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- The Student Affairs Fundraising Conference Committee has been and continue to meet monthly since last report.
- Shane Carlin and Sara Hartley meet monthly for a smooth transition between the KC Chairs.
- Shane Carlin and Sara Hartley also communicate regularly to the NASPA Office.



**Dr. Shannon Gary (Chair) and Dan Stypa (Vice-Chair)**  
**Student Affairs Partnering with Academic Affairs Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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**NASPA Mission**

To be the principal source for leadership, scholarship, professional development, and advocacy for student affairs.

**Leadership**

- Research and Scholarship Committee coordinated the annual Promising Practices award committee. The committee was chaired by DeMethra La Sha Bradley and included six members (DeMethra La Sha Bradley, Bernard Polnariev, David Jones, Leah Howell, Joel Spiess and Leanna Fenneberg). This quarter included promotional efforts to solicit quality nominations highlighting exemplary practice of academic affairs and student affairs partnerships. Fourteen submissions were received, representative of diversity of institution type and size, as well as all NASPA regions. The committee will review nominations based on a revised criteria rubric and recognize recipients of the Promising Practices award at the March 2013 national convention during the SAPAA KC Business Meeting.
- The Academic Advising Working Group continues to explore ways to collaborate with other academic advising partners both inside NASPA and outside of NASPA (NACADA, etc)
- The Academic Advising Working Group is also attempting to incorporate First Year Experience and Enrollment Management into the overall goals and focus of the working group, given the clear crossover between the three fields.
- The Social and Networking Committee has coordinated our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Joint Social between the SAPAA, Student Leadership, and Sustainability KCs. The social will take place on Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:00P to 8:30P in the Grand Cayman room in the Marriot Hotel.

**Scholarship**

- Research and Scholarship routinely contributes to knowledge efforts across the KC and organization through a Notable Reads column in each issue of the KC's Synergy newsletter. During the October 2012-January 2013 period, an article *From Student to Professional: Assisting College Students with the Job Search* was highlighted, authored by Kim Reitter, Wendy LaBenne, and Brian Lawrence from Saint Louis University. The upcoming February newsletter will feature an article entitled *Living Learning as a Strategic Initiative: Reflections from Loyola University, Maryland*, authored by Mike Puma from Loyola University, Maryland.

The SAPAA Communications Committee has been actively engaged in advancing the way SAPAA communicates with the membership with an emphasis on online interactive formats. The

communications committee has continued to offer the *Synergy* newsletter during the 2012-2013 academic year with the production of issues in October 2012 and December 2012.

- The Research and Scholarship committee is developing a vision and strategy to produce a literature review on student affairs and academic affairs partnerships. Suzanne Kilgannon is taking leadership for the initiative with a developing subcommittee, including: Marguerite Bonous-Hammarth, Leanna Fenneberg, Karen Boyd, Mike Puma, and Dan Stypa. This project aims to develop a 10-year review of partnership efforts in student affairs and academic affairs, with the hopes of an initial resource being provided electronically via the SAPAA KC website during spring 2013.

In addition to the literature review, Marguerite and Leanna will lead the writing team for the KC's book prospectus to Stylus Publishing. A rough draft is currently being revised to include interested scholars who recently submitted to the 2012 SAPAA KC Research Grant competition.

The proposed Stylus book is guided by concepts offered by Marcia Baxter Magolda and Patricia King (2004) on a learning partnership model, and from Peggy Maki's (2010) on integrating assessment opportunities to develop cultures of assessment in higher education. While the book's chapters aim to provide primary research on collaborative activities undertaken across student and academic affairs to support student learning and development, the researchers also apply their findings to practical organizational responses for nurturing organizational learning and shared knowledge from these partnership efforts. The revised final draft will be routed to KC leadership for final editing and submission.

- Research and Scholarship coordinated the second annual SAPAA research grant, designed to foster Research and Scholarship in the area of academic affairs and student affairs partnerships. The grant is generously sponsored by Stylus Publishing, Inc. The call for proposal submissions and subsequent recruitment efforts for nominations were distributed fall 2012. Twenty-three submissions were received, which represented both quality and diversity. An active committee (Catherine Adams, Jessa Carpenter, John Klatt, Kristyn Muller, Paul Porter, Beth Poling, Jennifer Shorter, and Marguerite Bonous-Hammarth) thoughtfully considered each nomination. The recipients, Eric Buschlen and Shawna Ross from Central Michigan University authored the winning proposal on "Hearing the Student Voice: Using Qualitative Research from Alternative Breaks for Student Affairs Programmatic Assessment." The researchers will provide an update on their scholarship and formally be recognized at the March 2013 national convention at the SAPAA KC Business Meeting.
- The Living Learning Community (LLC) Working Group held monthly conference calls to discuss topics in a format that encourages participation from SAPAA members. The monthly topical calls better meets LLC members' needs because it allows the discussions to benefit from a shared knowledge and interest in the topic. Below are the topics discussed during November and December 2012 and January 2013:
  - LLC Recruitment and Retention – Students
  - Getting Students Involved in LLCs
  - LLC Housing & Facilities: Best Practices

- The Service Learning/Civic Engagement (SLCE) working group has created a new blog, which serves as a place for members to share best practices. SLCE has focused specifically on the Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement initiative, and used that platform as a way to share what campuses are doing in those areas. The blog is newly created, but the working group and the KC hopes to see it grow in the next few months.

### Professional Development

- Marianne Magjuka (co-chair of the Service Learning/Civic Engagement (SLCE) working group) serves on the planning committee for the inaugural NASPA Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Conference. In this role, she has communicated the opportunity to SLCE members and advocated for SLCE to play a role as a natural partner and conference audience.
- SLCE working group is partnering with the Assessment, Evaluation and Research Knowledge Community on a webinar to be offered through NASPA on April 16, 2013 from 2:00-3:00 EST on “Assessment of Service Learning: Understanding and Communicating the Value of Student Experience.” The webinar is free for NASPA members. The webinar is being led by Dr. Sandy Mahoney, University of the Pacific.

A number of SAPAA members will be presented at the 2013 Annual Conference:

- Presenter: Mike Puma, Student Development Co-Director of the Messina Living Learning Program, Loyola University-Maryland  
Presentation Title: Living Learning Initiatives as Strategic Initiatives  
Day/Time: Tuesday, March 19 (12:45 PM - 1:45 PM)  
Room/Venue: Crystal Ballroom – Marriott
- Presenters: Leanna Fenneberg, Assistant Vice President for Student Development at Saint Louis University and Scott Smith, Vice President for Student Affairs at Barry University  
Presentation Title: Effective Strategic Planning to Guide Student Affairs Work, ID-756  
Day/Time: Monday, March 18 (1:30 PM-2:30 PM)  
Room/Venue: Canary-Marriott
- Presenters: Karen Boyd, University of Tennessee, and Kirk Robinson  
Presentation Title: Intercultural Competence Involving Student and Academic Affairs Collaborations – ID-3497
- Marianne Magjuka and Corrie Martin will present, “Work on Purpose: Developing Students into Solutionists.” Building on Echoing Green’s social entrepreneurship-based curriculum, Campus Compact’s work to develop engaged citizens, and practical examples from campuses, this fast-paced, interactive session will provide attendees with ideas and resources to support their work in developing innovative, civic-minded students.
- Rong (Lotus) Wang, Career Services working group Resources Coordinator will present “Measuring Service Learning While Promoting Student Engagement.”

## Advocacy

Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

- Research and Scholarship Committee provided opportunities for knowledge development and shared knowledge through the scholarship and activities coordinated by members. Several volunteers previously mentioned coordinated major recognition activities to support scholarship (research grant award and Promising Practices award), as well as original research on (literature review activities, for example), and spotlighting evidence-based practices through regular *Synergy* columns on scholarship.

### Goal 2

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time.

### Goal 4

Nothing to report at this time.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- Leadership Team Conference Calls are held bi-monthly:
  - October 10, 2012
  - December 12, 2012
  - February 13, 2012



**Michael Baumhardt and Sherry Early**  
**Student Leadership Programs Knowledge Community**  
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## Leadership

Social Media and Member Engagement

- 622 likes on the Facebook page, 1,396 facebook users reached during peak engagement
- 860 followers on Twitter, 2.2 tweets per day, 23 tweets per month, Top 5 words used in tweets: #salead, rt, leadership, #sachat, #leadership, and Top 5 hashtags: #salead, #sachat, #leadership, #lei10, #highered
- [SLPKC Blog](#)-14 Posts, 1,200 views

## Scholarship

Webinar Series

- [Exploring the Intersections of Leadership Education](#)
  - 9/18/12, Mark Torrez, Emory University
- [Leadership Emory – 2012 Spotlight of the Year](#)
  - 10/25/12, Matthew Garrett, Emory University
- [Values-Based Ethical Leadership](#)
  - 1/18/13, Kim Kushner, University of Colorado and Sherry Early, Bowling Green State Univ.
- Getting to Know the SLPKC (scheduled)
  - 2/28/13, SLP KC Leadership Team

Newsletters

- [June 2012](#) – New Leadership, New Goals
- [September 2012](#) – Innovation
- [December 2012](#) – Case Study
- March 2013 (planned) – Conference Edition

## Professional Development

*Leadership Educators Institute*

December 9 – 11, 2012 at The Ohio Union, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH)

- Number of sessions: 48 sessions, not including keynotes
- Keynote speakers
  - Opening keynote – John Dugan, Loyola University, Chicago
  - Closing keynote – Corey Seemiller, University of Arizona
- Successes: Great attendance, quality of sessions and timeliness of keynote speakers topics, and “Actor’s Studio” session with Susan Komives
- Changes to make: Look at scheduling of event – end of fall semester can be a challenge for conference travel for participants

#### *NASPA Annual Conference*

March 16-20, 2012 at Orlando World Center Marriott

- Leadership team meeting, Communities Fair, Member Meeting/Awards/Think Tank, Joint Social

### Goal 1

#### *Spotlight Series Committee*

- Pacific Lutheran University’s Scholars Series, Spotlight Program in Influences on Student Learning. 2013 Annual Award Winners selected by the Awards Committee:
- Dr. Susan R. Komives Research Award: Brenda McKenzie
- Outstanding Service to the Student Leadership Programs Knowledge Community: Kim Kushner
- Outstanding Contribution to Student Leadership Programs: Dr. Stacey Malaret
- Outstanding Leadership Spotlight Program of the Year Award: Dean’s Scholars Program, University of Minnesota

Annual awards were reviewed by: Sherry Early, Matt Garrett, Mitchell Holston, Jr., Andrew Hughes, Tammy Hong, and Rudy Trejo

#### *SLPKC Membership Assessment*

- Matt Clifford, Sherry Early, Adam Cebulski, Kim Kushner, and Kim Piatt worked on creating a membership assessment for the SLPKC (launched 1/31/13); the last assessment was administered to the KC in 2007. This survey will gauge membership engagement, needs, and satisfaction. We hope to present initial findings at the Annual Conference.

### Goal 2

Regional representatives are present on leadership calls, contribute to the newsletters, and share their board reports with the co-chairs.

### Goal 3

#### Inter-Association Leadership Collaborative (ILC)

- ILC consists of leadership from ACPA, ACUI, AFA, ALE, ILA, NACA, NCLP, and NASPA. The newly created mission is: “The Inter-Association Leadership Team realizes that to provide enhanced direction and address strategic initiatives for leadership education successfully, they must define themselves within the context of the field, the populations they serve, and the work that they do.

The team also realizes that as educators and practitioners our time is finite, and it is not possible to be all things to all people.”

Hub Project-We will create an online hub where members of many associations can share scholarly resources, best practices, and discuss new trends. OrgSync is a potential host for this project.

#### Goal 4

##### Secure KC Sponsorship

- Jossey-Bass has signed on to provide two \$500 contributions to our KC and we are in the process of increasing this sponsorship to two \$1000 contributions.
- A strategic partnership agreement was reached with OrgSync. As per the agreement, OrgSync will provide technical support for the KC (thousands of dollars in value) in exchange for access to the SLPKC. The official agreement is still being finalized.
- We have reached out to a variety of potential sponsors but have faced challenges in getting commitments (We have been working closely with Fred Comparto on strategies and new contacts).
- A revised co-sponsorship system was created and a form letter to send to potential sponsors
- Benefits for sponsors include advertisement in the SLPKC newsletter, acknowledgement and speaking privileges at pre-conference and conference meeting, sponsorship of webinars, distribution of materials at national conference, and access to the SLPKC mailing list
- Money can be used for programs, SLPKC meetings, graduate student scholarships, Honorariums for Webinar presenters, etc.
- Fundraising is a relational and endless process. We will continue to outreach and make connections within the leadership field to LeaderShape, The National Society of Leadership and Success, and CampuSpeak.

#### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

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- October 9, 2012 (Conf Call – 25 leadership team members)
- November 13, 2012 (Conf Call – 25 leadership team members)
- December 11, 2012 (Update submitted from all areas and compiled/sent out)
- January 8, 2013 (Conf Call – 25 leadership team members)
- February 8, 2013 (Conf Call – 25 leadership team members)



**M. Shernell Smith**  
**Sustainability Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
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## **NASPA Mission**

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## **Leadership**

- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - Candidates for co-chairs 2014-16 (Tim Broderick-- Colorado State University and Jonathan L. Johnson-- Dalton State College) were identified and currently in election process
- Member Engagement
  - Regional Representatives engaged in recruitment of new members at regional conferences
  - New promotional materials (pens, stickers, brochure, etc.) created for regional conferences and upcoming annual conference to increase recognition by NASPA membership
  - Joint Social planned with SLC & SAPAA at Annual Conference

## **Scholarship**

- Article submitted to Knowledge Community Publication
- SKC Newsletter to be distributed in March at annual conference

## **Professional Development**

- Focused conversations continued between sustainability commissions of NIRSA and ACPA continues as we look to streamline goals for sustainability engagement and awareness within our organizations to not only produce shared platform resources (i.e. data driven scholarship/research) but practical guidelines, checklist, etc. for use by our constituents
- Leadership Team members from SKC attending the joint conference between ACPA/NIRSA will follow-up on the survey conducted at the October AASHE conference.

## Advocacy

In December, individual calls were conducted with Dr. Lori White (newly appointed Board of Directors for AASHE) and Dr. Debra Rowe (President, [U.S. Partnership for Education for Sustainable Development](#) & Advisor to [Higher Education Associations Sustainability Consortium](#)) regarding HEASC and ideas on how to engage more SSAO in our KC goals.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

Nothing to Report at this Time.

### Goal 2

Nothing to Report at this Time.

### Goal 3

Nothing to Report at this Time.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

- *View Advocacy Section;* Letter to be compiled at Annual Conference Business Meeting to be formally presented to NASPA board in late spring regarding joining the Higher Education Associations Sustainability Consortium (HEASC) in order to further focus our partnerships with various leading higher education organizations regarding the importance of sustainability as a public policy, university strategic planning & implementation issue.

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- Cancelled November 15 Conference Call
- December 15 Conference Call
- January 31 Leadership Team Call
- February 21
- Informal Leadership Team Meeting, March 17 prior to SKC Business Meeting on March 18 in Orlando



**Matthew Brinton, Chair-Elect**  
**Technology Knowledge Community**  
**Report for the 2013 Spring Board of Directors Meeting**  
**February 1, 2013**

## NASPA Mission

To be the principal source for leadership, scholarship, professional development, and advocacy for student affairs.

## Leadership

- KC Report
  - The KC has been busy setting goals and direction for the 2013-2014 year. The Chair-Elect has worked to fill vacant roles within the national leadership team, has created some new leadership position to more broadly engage the membership and enhance the work of the KC.
- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - The new leadership team for 2013-2014 has been set and has regularly occurring conference calls scheduled. The KC is moving forward with a bold new leadership structure that focuses the energy of everything we do back onto the KC and its members. This has also spurred the creation of several new leadership roles that we believe will greatly impact our work.

## Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - Two members of our new leadership team submitted the article for the 2013 KC Spring Publication. Their article was entitled: **F2F or IRL: Alphabet Soup in Online Communities and Networks.**
  - The new newsletter coordinator is working diligently on the next version of the KC newsletter "Digital" which will be available for the Annual Conference.

## Professional Development

- Conferences, educational program reporting
  - The KC is excited to be co-sponsoring not only two program sessions at the Annual Conference, but for the first time will play an active role in supporting the Technology Un-Sessions as well.
- Various professional development opportunities

- The KC leadership team is exploring the potential of creating our first webinar for the members which we hope to roll out at the end of the summer 2013.

## Advocacy

- Public Policy
  - The KC Leadership team has been more vigilant about sharing the technology related public policy updates that are distributed each week with our members.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

#### *Objectives*

- 1.3 Tighten and align the connections among theory, research, and practice.
- 1.4 Enhance skills and provide tools to conduct student affairs program reviews in support of best practice and institutional effectiveness.

We believe that the webinar we will create this year will directly correlate to 1.3 and 1.4. We hope to expand the implementation of technology best practices and the integration of theory and research in our work.

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

#### *Objectives*

- 2.4 Track state and regional issues that might significantly affect students, practitioners, and/or campuses.

We believe that educating our membership as to what is currently happening in the public policy arena is the first step in this process. We are actively looking for ways to make the public policy updates that are distributed each week via email more accessible to the general membership.

### Goal 3

Nothing to Report at this Time.

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### *Objectives*

- 4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.
- 4.4 Increase opportunities for innovation through technology.

- 4.5 Strengthen NASPA's contributions to student affairs graduate preparation programs.
- 4.6 Ensure the participation and inclusion of NASPA's members in leadership and governance.

We believe this will be a big area of opportunity for us in the next year. We have created specific new leadership roles to address many of these areas. We are constantly looking for ways to be more collaborative and get the work of our KC into other KCs and more broadly across the Association and the profession. We believe strongly that technology is a key tool in the toolbox of a component and successful higher education professional, and believe that technology integration and innovation are key areas of our focus.

We are also exploring what graduate programs how graduate programs are teaching technology and working on sample curriculum that can be molded and adapted for different programs depending on their needs. To that end we have expanded our leadership team to include specific positions that will be exploring this opportunity.

As all of our leadership team are volunteers, we felt it important to diversify the roles of our leadership team and make sure that no one person was feeling overburdened. We have created new roles to address certain components of this Strategic Plan and our overall goals.

### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team:

- January 9, 2013: Conference Call
- February 14, 2013: Conference Call
- March 14, 2013: Conference Call
- March 19, 2013: Annual Business Meeting, in-person



**John D. Mikelson**  
**Veterans Knowledge Community**  
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## Leadership

- Leadership/Volunteer Management
  - Amanda Erdman moved to Georgetown University and was replaced by Lisa (Lia) M. Coryell at the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee in Region IV East
  - Three new applicants for Region IV- E (Rachel Beauchene & Shannon Ketcham; Both at UW-La Crosse, WI and Joyce (Jo) Vaughan from IUPUI in Fort Wayne IN )
  - New Applicant for Region IV- W (Robert Mitchell Ainley Jr@ Arkansas) to replace Bill "Sparky" Smith in KC
- Community Involvement
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Remembrance Roll Call
- Award Recognition
  - Brett Morris at Eastern Kentucky for his role in the National Remembrance Roll Call

## Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - *Publication of Called to Serve: A Handbook on Student Veterans and Higher Education Nov 2012. Dexter Alexander, John R. Thelin, Sally Caspers, Robert Ackerman, Joshua Lang, Wade G. Livingston, Mark C. Bauman, Nina Duong, Danielle M. DeSawal, Susan V. Iverson, Rachel Anderson, Annie Rose Badder, Amanda Kraus, Nicholas A. Rattray, Amanda Irish, John D. Mikelson, Kevin P. Saunders, Jonathan Miller, Stephen G. Abel, Robert J. Bright, R. M. Cooper, Kathy Meyers, Sarah Minnis, Stephanie Bondi, Corey B. Rumann, Paul F. Tschudi, Brian A. Hawthorne, Mark C. Bauman, Leah Ewing Ross, Joseph R. Sorge, Tom Jackson*

*Jr., Charles J. Fey, Nicholas J. Osborne, Jan Arminio , Tomoko Kudo Grabosky, and Florence A. Hamrick*

- I am working on a chapter dealing with Wounded Warriors and the ADA in a NASPA journal for the Disabilities KC due out in March 2014
- Grants/Research
  - David Vacchi (Region I) received a NASPA Foundation small research grant to develop a survey instrument to help describe student veteran populations.

### Professional Development

Nothing to report at this time.

### Advocacy

Nothing to report at this time.

## NASPA Strategic Plan

*If your KC has specific responsibilities or activities that pertain to the NASPA Strategic Plan, please include the goal and objective and a brief description of the activity since the last Board meeting.*

*You may also reference the NASPA Mission report where the activity is described in detail above.*

### Goal 1

Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

#### *Objectives*

- 4.2 Be the primary source of data on the experience of college and university students.
  - Executive Order 13607 - Establishing Principles of Excellence for Educational Institutions Serving Veterans Webinar with the Department of Veterans Affairs (7 June 2012) Final Modification of DoD MOU Due 1 March 2013

### Goal 2

Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

#### *Objectives*

- 2.1 Assert NASPA's leadership role in critical issues of public policy regarding higher education.
  - SVA collaboration with the VA & the National Student Clearinghouse to track veteran graduation rates after the Student Veterans of America Conference Jan 3-6, 2013
  - David Vacchi (Region I) Pilot Student Veteran survey Fall 2013

2.2 Define, adopt, and communicate a public stance on critical policy issues in higher education.

- Presented on Student Veterans for the VHA VISN 23 Mental Health Recovery Work Group - Strategic Planning meeting. October 15-16 Minneapolis MN VA HCS
- Presented to National Military and Veterans Council (NMVC) of National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI)- monthly
- VKC is the Veterans Education “Go To” for the Points of Light Foundation- Community Blueprint for Veteran Reintegration, Chicago IL
- North Central Regional National Service Convention - Veteran /AmeriCorps Briefing
- Iowa Military Child Public Engagement Oct 16-17

2.3 Build capacity among membership in order to effectively influence public policy.

- Working with the University of Georgia (Athens) to create a Veterans Service Office
- Working with the State of Illinois to create a standard Military Culture 101 course for Faculty and Staff

2.4 Track state and regional issues that might significantly affect students, practitioners, and/or campuses.

- Only 13 states currently offer instate tuition rates to veterans (State and Federal legislation in progress)

### Goal 3

Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.

#### *Objectives*

4.3 Provide context-appropriate professional development activities to improve knowledge and skills of student affairs professionals both domestic and abroad.

- Several of the VKC Regional leadership attended/presented at DoD Worldwide Education Symposium in Las Vegas NV in July

### Goal 4

Strengthen NASPA by making it a more responsive, vital and sustainable organization.

#### *Objectives*

4.2 Increase collaboration and partnerships with higher education and other organizations.

- I was asked to rejoin the Association of Non-Traditional Students in Higher Education (ANTSHE) as their Veterans Advisor to create some joint programs for Veteran reintegration
- Working on Joint veteran presentations with NACADA & AHEAD

4.4 Increase opportunities for innovation through technology.

- Facebook Site for the VKC and the Region I VKC
- LinkedIn page for the VKC

4.6 Ensure the participation and inclusion of NASPA’s members in leadership and governance.

- Communication with membership should improve this spring with conference and new communications director
- Monthly communication within each Regions membership

### Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

From October 2012 to March 2013, please list the meetings you have held with your KC leadership team (indicate dates and whether these were conference calls or in-person meetings):

- None



**Dr. Suzanne Onorato and Dr. Sherry Mallory**  
**WISA Knowledge Community**  
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### Leadership

*Included in the "leadership" section of the Board report:*

- KC Report
  - WISA's main activity has centered on the transition of some members of the KC leadership team (KC Chairs, and a few Regional Reps and national leadership team members) and annual meeting and conference preparation
- Leadership/Volunteer Management –
  - Worked with CFW to restructure Panel of Listeners program to "Candid Conversations" and transitioned a new volunteer into the WISA Candid Conversations liaison position
- Member Engagement
  - Panel of listeners Program and several WISA sponsored programs took place at the Region 1 Conference in November.
  - Call is out for participation in Candid Conversations program at national conference
  - Continued communication with members via monthly WISA updates via email portal
  - Working with several KCs to engage members across identities at the national conference including the GLBT brown bag lunch and a dinner for women of color
  - Our social media presence continues to be strong;
    - WISA will host our first ever WISA 'Tweet Up' during the NASPA Annual Conference at 5:30pm on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.
    - The WISA Twitter account number of followers has grown from 855 to 1154, a 35% increase since June 2012.
    - From June 29, 2012 to January 31, 2013, we have produced 456 tweets, an average of 76 per month.
    - WISA began utilize Tweetclouds as a tool to collect analytics & inform our approach every one month, and every three months
    - Facebook "Likes" as of 1/29/13: **1,295**, up **133** users since 10/25/12
    - Daily **Engaged** users Average (number of people who clicked on something or shared something associated with the Page): **7**

- Daily total **Reach** Average (number of people who have **seen** content associated with the Page): **120** - as high as **1,311** on 1/9/13 which was the day we posted Kelley's blog
- Daily **Viral Reach** Average (number of people who saw the Page or one of its posts from a story published by a friend): **82**
- Our largest group of users at **48.9%** are females between the ages of 25-34. Our next largest group is 20.0% between the ages of 35-44. **4.6%** of our users are male. This is also consistent with October's stats.
- International Reach: 19 countries across the world!
- **WISA Blog:** As of 1/29/2013:; 33,049 Views, 646 Comments, international reach 10 countries across the world!
- **LinkedIn is continuing to grow:**  
 Since this date last year, we have 2,137 new members, for a total of 3774  
 About a quarter of those are entry level professionals, a quarter is Director level, and a quarter is senior level (love the mix!)  
 The peaks in comments seem to center around the big conferences (ACPA, NASPA, and the Women's Leadership Institute)

## Scholarship

*Included in the "scholarship" section of the Board report:*

- Creation of Knowledge (newsletters, KC Publication, co-sponsored research, etc)
  - WISA continues to connect with membership via newsletter on a monthly basis
- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement
  - Nothing to report at this time
- Grants/Research
  - Nothing to report at this time

## Professional Development

*Included in the "professional development" section of the Board Report:*

- Conferences, educational program reporting
  - WISA IV E Drive In Conference "EmpowHERing Change: Sharing our stories, Finding your voice" will take place June 2013 at Lake Forest College, keynote speaker Dr. Peggy Burke is confirmed
  - A Retreat Style drive-in conference focused on women and their intersecting identities is being planned for March in Region I
- Various professional development opportunities (can overlap with leadership)
  - Working with leadership team to develop position descriptions for each volunteer area
  - Working with Julie and Ann Marie to provide for a smooth transition as Sherry and I prepare to leave our KC co-chair roles

## Advocacy

*Included in the "advocacy" section of the Board Report:*

- State/local public policy issues  
Nothing to report at this time
- Activities related to Inclusion & Equity  
Nothing to report at this time besides the activities listed above in relation to the conference
- Activities related to support of student success and student learning (can be through programming, public policy, etc.)  
Nothing to report at this time

## NASPA Strategic Plan

### Goal 1

NASPA Goal: Build the capacity to create knowledge and use data to provide evidence that will support excellence in practice.

- WISA Goal: Create and disseminate knowledge related to women and gender in student affairs, and collaborate with the Center for Women, Research and professional development in their effort to encourage and promote research on issues relevant to women in student affairs and support the Journal about Women in Higher Education. Specifically, work to center the experiences of marginalized populations in higher education.
  - The WISA Research and Scholarship Committee formed a sub-committee to review and provide feedback on WISA KC members' publications, presentation proposals, and other scholarly materials.
  - The social media subcommittee continues to make great strides in generating and sharing knowledge among WISA KC members (and beyond). As of January 20, the WISA Twitter page has over 1,100 followers, the WISA Facebook page has 1,295 likes, and the LinkedIn group has 3,774 members. The WISA Blog (<http://wisakc.com/>) features a new blog post every Wednesday.
  - The Research and Scholarship Committee, in collaboration with NASPA Journal About Women in Higher Education Editor-in-Chief Marilyn Amey and Reviewer Lori Reesor, will be presenting a session at the 2013 Conference titled "Demystifying the Journal Publication Process."

### Goal 2

NASPA Goal: Lead advocacy efforts that shape the changing landscape of higher education.

- WISA Goal: Provide professional development activities centered on gender within the regions and at the national level.
  - In November, WISA representatives offered the Panel of Listeners program at the Region I and Region V/VI conferences. WISA is partnering with the Center for Women to coordinate the newly renamed "Candid Conversations" program at the Conference in Orlando.

- WISA's identity-based KC chair has pulled together a team of liaisons for each of NASPA's identity-based KCs. Two collaborative events are planned at the 2013 Annual Conference in Orlando: a Women of Color lunch/social and an LBTQI breakfast/discussion.

### Goal 3

Nothing to report at this time

### Goal 4

Nothing to report at this time

## Knowledge Community Leadership Team Meetings

The WISA leadership team did not meet in November, December or January. We are currently scheduled to meet at the 2013 Annual Conference in Orlando.