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Report for the 2013 Winter Board of Directors Meeting
ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE JUNE 2013

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

Leadership

- **Advisory Board/Division/KC Report**
  - **BUSINESS OF THE KC’S**
    - Indigenous Peoples Knowledge Community (IPKC): Rep served as co-coordinator for Region 2 New Professionals and Graduate Students preconference. Serving next year as co-coordinator for Region 2 NPGC preconference
    - NPGS KC: Served as co-coordinator for the Region 2 NPGS pre-conference at the Region II conference. Once again, serving in the same role for the 2014 Regional Conference.
    - AER KC: Served on KC committee that presided at Assessment & Persistence Conference in Denver, CO; promoted KC awareness via social media
    - AER KC: Will serve as Entertainment Coordinator for next year’s Region 2 conference in Atlantic City; proposed “DO SA” theme that will be used for marketing and branding
    - AGAPSS: Served on planning committee for KC drive-in to be held at Lehigh University for 2013, now rescheduled for 2014, reached out for sponsorship from Region II, will look to tie-in Region II members both in planning and promoting the Drive-in
  - **TREASURER’S REPORT**
    - The regional conference budget has been completed and totaled as of November 12th
    - All new account and department codes have been updated to reflect actual expenditures for the region
    - Received training on the new banking systems
    - Reserved hotel and signed contracts for the regional conference meeting in December
    - Created regional budget for the 2013-14 fiscal year
Region is in the healthiest financial situation that it has ever been.  

BOARD/VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT

- Confirmed a 34 member Advisory Board including 5 new members; working to finalize state representative job descriptions and filling all roles (see Addendum #1). Finalized mission and vision for the region and expectations of members of the board. Held monthly conference calls with members of the advisory board. Fall Board meeting will be held Dec. 8-9 in New Jersey at the site of the 2014 regional conference.

MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

- Created a Small College & University Division Advisory Board, comprised of 4 members to date – seeking 2-3 additional members. The group has been great so far in providing ideas and feedback.
- Creation of regional awards to recognize graduate student accomplishments
- Use of social media to inform graduate students of NASPA initiatives and unite the community
- Continuing to develop possible initiatives to engage and connect graduate students across the region
- Hosted a meeting of the Baltimore area CSAO’s with the 2014 Conference Committee to brainstorm ideas and enlist support for the conference.

Current Region II Membership (October 2013)
- Active Members: 2220
- New Members: 77
- Renewing Members: 126
- Support internal and external efforts to communicate with the membership on events and important activities - emails
- Plans to increase new members, especially from international locations and non-member institutions, with the assistance of our state representatives – letters, emails and phone calls

Non-Returning Members (October 2013)
- Members Expiring end of end of October: 163
- Recently Expired Members prior to May: 120
- Working with NASPA to assist in reaching out to expiring institutional members with the assistance of our state representatives – emails and phone calls
- NASPA membership office has developed a membership video that once approved will be given out to the state membership coordinates to use for marketing
**AWARD RECOGNITION**

- The goal of the Award Recognition Committee was to increase submissions from the region for the 2014 awards cycle. At both the national and regional conference, regional members were provided an opportunity to submit the names of potential nominees. In addition, the committee streamlined the process so that in lieu of the 5 letters of support which were required in the past, a minimum of 2 letters of support were now required (with a maximum of 5 being permitted.) This change created some confusion as some nominators assumed the letter of nomination would also count as a letter of support so that in essence, they were short one letter. Contact was made to each of these nominators providing an opportunity for them to complete their submission. Next year, instructions should be made clearer in explaining that the letters of support are in addition to the letter of nomination.
- At the beginning of the call for nominations, emails were sent to all individuals who had submitted a name at either/both conferences encouraging them to submit. As a result of this approach and the reduction of letters of support from 5 required to 2 required, nominations rose from a total of 13 in 2012 to 28 in 2013!
- Challenges were faced with the switch to a new NASPA website at the very same time we were launching our regional call for nominations. The Awards Chair will be discussing with our NASPA Awards liaison the challenges so that adjustments may be made as appropriate for the future.
- The Awards Chair will be retiring on January 31, 2014. All correspondence and necessary activities associated with the position for 2013-14 will be completed prior to this date. Once an individual has been identified to assume these responsibilities, the current Awards Chair will have appropriate discussion with this person as to process, materials, sources of support, etc.

**SSAO ACTIVITIES**

- Finalized goals for this area.
- Initiated a process to identify non-member institutions in the region, and the SSAO’s at those institutions, for the purpose of future outreach to them. This will be coordinated with the regional membership representative, to ensure appropriate follow-through.
- Enlisted a student assistant to conduct the research mentioned above, and met with her twice to discuss progress.
- Began researching an appropriate online networking/information sharing mechanism for Region II SSAO’s. Currently considering using Linkedin for this purpose, having rejected Wiggio and Google groups.

**NASPA FELLOWS (AND MENTORS)**

- Recognized at Regional Conference.
RII SECRETARY

- Served as Historian and a member of the 2014 WVASPA (WV student affairs organization) Conference Planning Committee
- Keynote Speaker at WVASPA Annual Conference in Huntington, WV
- Presented a session on building a culture of evidence at the NASPA II Regional Conference in June 2013 (New York, New York)
- Facilitated a Retention roundtable with WV student affairs professionals at a drive-in conference in November 2013 (Flatwoods, WV)

COMMUNITY COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVE

- Represent NASPA Region II and the Community College Division on the 2014 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) Steering Committee.
  - Conference Dates: June 5-7, 2014
  - Location: University of Maryland, College Park.
  - Role: to encourage increased participation from and program offerings for women attending community colleges by contacting Deans of Student Development and Directors of Student Life at community colleges throughout Region II.
  - Role: Chair the NCCWSL Pre-Conference Planning Committee.
- Serve on the planning team for the Community College Institute to be held at the 2014 NASPA Annual Conference in Baltimore.
- Serve on the On-Site Planning Committee for the 2014 NASPA Annual Conference. I am working with the hospitality committee and the New To NASPA (N2N) committee (for first time conference attendees).

Scholarship

- Creation of Knowledge
  - Surveyed Region II SSAOs regarding their familiarity and interest in NUFP (summer/fall 2013).
  - Coordinators of Careers in Student Affairs are working on an assessment to be sent to higher education programs, CSAO’s and new professionals to garner the needs and need for more training in specific areas.

- Faculty/Research/Scholarship Involvement
  - SLPKC: co-authored an article for the Fall 2013 NASPA KC Publication detailing the national assessment completed within the KC and its findings.
  - RII Secretary Susan Gardner
    - Contributed to an Adult Learner Tutorial to be published by NASPA in Summer 2014
    - Contributed to an SSAO publication to be published by NASPA in 2014

• Hosted a four-part eRadio Program called Community College Now [http://www.blogtalkradio.com/search?q=community+college+now](http://www.blogtalkradio.com/search?q=community+college+now)

• **Grants/Research**
  ▶ Looking to create a scholarship to be attached to regional awards in order to help support award winners to attend conferences

### Professional Development

• **Conferences, educational program reporting**
  • **2014 REGIONAL CONFERENCE** - June 8-10, 2014  Stockton Seaview Resort, Stockton, NJ
    ○ Formed conference team
    ○ Conference call with NASPA National staff to review procedures
    ○ Created theme and initial logo (DO SA, modeled after the “DO AC” theme)
    ○ Had first conference planning meeting, Program co-chairs currently working on proposal schema.

• **CAREERS IN STUDENT AFFAIRS CONFERENCE**
  ▪ **October 4, 2013 at FIT (NYC), Buffalo State College, Towson University (and Chatham University cancelled due to low registrations).**
  ▪ **Participants**
    ▶ Towson University (126)
    ▶ Fashion Institute of Technology (161)
    ▶ Buffalo State College (25)
  ▪ **Purpose**: The conference was geared toward undergraduates, graduates and new professionals. Region Director Deb Moriarty provided a welcome and Marijo Russell O’Grady provided the keynote. The site specific schedules are attached.
  ▪ The program evaluations are being tallied and will be disseminated as soon as possible.
  ▪ Some suggestions for the future, include clarity with registrations (some registered for locations that were not close to their campus), and possibly consider more MOOCs, and have a social/networking event to conclude. More discussion to follow.
  ▪ The programs for the locations are attached (see Addendum #2).

• **PUBLIC POLICY**
  ▪ **NASPA Region-II Conference (June 2013) Educational Session**
    ▶ Number of Attendees/Participants: 35
• Description of Program: Described of Nature of Public Policy; Presented overview of Key public policy issues
• Successes of the event/changes that one would make next year: Very positive evaluations; would include more discussion of ways regional leadership can “reach” membership to educate/inform

• **NASPA Region-II Careers in Student Affairs Conference (October 2013)**
  - Session I - Number of Attendees/Participants: 25
  - Description of Program: Presented session for conference attendees on making the decision to pursue doctorate; discussed various degree options; psycho-social tasks associated with pursuit of degree
  - Successes of the event/changes that one would make next year: Very positive evaluations; was contacted by multiple attendees after session for follow-up guidance.
  - Session II - Number of Attendees/Participants: 30
  - Description of Program: Co-Presented Roundtable session for conference attendees on policy matters associated with management of student behavioral issues
  - Successes of the event/changes that one would make next year: No formal evaluation – feedback was positive; venue was in large room with multiple sessions and it was very difficult to hear due to noise….that must change if similar session done in subsequent conferences.

• **Additional Planned Activities for Public Policy**
  - February 2014 @ New York University: Student Affairs Conference at New York University
    - Topic: Have been asked to present a session at the annual conference on the impact of public policy on higher education.
  - February 2014 @ Montclair State University: Professional Staff Development Series for Division of Student Affairs
    - Topic: Have been invited to present a session on the impact of public policy on higher education for Division of Student Affairs. (invitation came as a result of session done at June 2013 NASPA Region-II annual conference)
  - March 2014 @ Nassau Community College: Professional Staff Development Series for Academic Affairs
    - Topic: Have been asked to present a session on the public policy and legal aspects of dealing with disruptive students in the college classroom (e.g. change in Title II; ADA/504 considerations; current cases)

• **SMALL COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES**
  - NASPA Public Policy Division has agreed to partner with the SCU Division on a dial-in workshop related to the Affordable Care Act. A recent meeting with Brian Sponsler
in the NASPA office was held to narrow the topic and focus of the dial-in and determine how NASPA could support

- Co-presenting the Small College and University Roundtable session in Baltimore at the National conference, along with Janet Heeter-Bass from Muskingum.
- Continuing to work with the SCU Institute Planning Team to develop a workshop, in coordination with Houston Dougherty from Grinnell and Barbara Avery from Occidental, on changing student demographics with particular regard to students from varying socioeconomic backgrounds, LGBT students, and students with disabilities.

**NATIONAL STANDARDS**

- Plan is underway to provide a training session for Region II conference program review committee members. The training will focus on understanding and utilizing the ten professional competency areas when reviewing and selecting education session proposals.
- An education session focusing on NASPA’s Professional Competency document will be submitted for the 2014 Region II Conference.
- Together with the NASPA National Standards and other regional National Standards representative, a review of the Certification, Digital Badging and Certificate Survey will take place in the near future.

**KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITIES**

- NPGS KC: Presented at the Region II Careers in Student Affairs Conference at FIT during the lunch caucus. Submitted a program proposal to present on NPGS Needs at the 2014 NASPA Conference in Baltimore.
- Spirituality and Religion in Higher Education (SRHE) KC: Presented at the National Campus Ministry Conference in Atlanta, GA providing a higher education perspective of spirituality and religion on campus.
- SRHE KC: Presented information to student affairs staff at three Penn State campuses regarding the legal aspects of religion and spirituality on a public campus.
- SLPKC: Began planning, with national KC members, for the NASPA Annual Conference SLPKC Pre-Conference (with John Dugan as keynote!)
- AER KC: Conducted a two part learning outcomes workshop at home institution based on knowledge gained from AER KC
- AAKC Region II rep will be helping to plan AAKC networking events at the Annual NASPA conference in Baltimore.
• **MID-MANAGERS INSTITUTE**
  
  ○ Goals for next reporting period: finalize plans for June 2014 institute, confirm faculty, confirm date, begin logistics (begin to set up the website, applications process with NASPA, etc...) with invitations to apply by the beginning of the Spring semester.

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**Advocacy**

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

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**ENOUGH IS ENOUGH**

- There has not been any significant Enough is Enough Activity in the Region since the last report in June 2013. I am surveying all the campuses again to identify campus coordinators, which constantly changes.
- A resource manual has been developed to give regions resources to draw ideas from to promote activities. Region II Enough is Enough is going through a rebuilding process.
- Goals for 2013-14 are as follows:
  1. Identify Campus Coordinators
  2. Provide resources to promote Enough is Enough Programs
  3. Attempt to gauge success of campus programs through student participation
  4. Individually work with campuses to assist them in starting an Enough is Enough program.
- Lack of participation is a key issue on campuses....

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**KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITIES**

- SRHE KC: Met with student affairs staff at three Penn State campuses and promoted membership in the SRHE KC because of the increase in spiritual and religious activity on public campuses.
- AAKC Region II facebook page created to help increase knowledge.

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**NASPA Strategic Plan**

**Goal 1**

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

1.4.1 Student Affairs Fundraising and External Relations (SAFER) KC: Region II KC rep coordinated the review and selection of national conference programs to be sponsored by the SAFER KC. Two programs were recommended for sponsorship and inclusion at the national conference.

1.4.2 Indigenous Peoples Knowledge Community (IPKC): Region II rep served as the KC Program Coordinator for the National conference; coordinated reviews and selection of KC sponsored programs. Recommended 3 for sponsorship.

1.4.3 Indigenous Peoples Knowledge Community (IPKC): coordinated and organized IPKC preconference for National Conference, which has been accepted. Will be the main coordinator of the preconference.

1.4.4 SL PKC: authored a newsletter article for the SL PKC Quarterly newsletter about how to involve faculty and staff in the success of leadership programs.

1.4.5 AER KC: participated in social media overhaul of KC to increase information sharing (in particular, played an initial role in AER Twitter)

Goal 2

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.

2.4.1 Disability KC Rep posted a blog post on the Region II blog about the importance of accessibility on websites for individuals with disabilities, particularly with NASPA's new website

2.4.2 Indigenous Peoples Knowledge Community (IPKC): took over IPKC twitter page, posts once a week regarding current issues and trends for Indigenous Students

2.4.3 Multiracial Knowledge Community (MRKC): promoted NASPA Multicultural Institute to local and regional constituency groups.

2.4.4 AER KC: posted a Region 2 blog with a wrap up from the Assessment and Persistence conference
2.4.5 AAKC: member wrote blog post on Cultural Competence and what we can learn from current events such as the Trayvon Martin case, Miley Cyrus twerking, and movies such as the Butler & Fruitvale Station to teach our students social justice.
2.4.6 AGAPSS: wrote blog post to bring awareness to the need to support graduate and professional services on our predominantly undergraduate campuses

Goal 3
3. Launch an initiative to collaborate with student affairs worldwide.
   Objectives
   3.1 Conduct a needs assessment to guide and prioritize NASPA's international efforts.
   3.2 Clarify NASPA's niche in international student affairs.
   3.2.1 Reach out to our membership or non-members within Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Afghanistan, Egypt, Germany, Greece, Italy, and Turkey to try reconnect with them
   3.3 Provide context-appropriate professional development activities to improve knowledge and skills of student affairs professionals both domestic and abroad.
   3.3.1 Establish Region II NUFP (Alumni) Advisory Group (winter/spring 2014).

Goal 4
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.
   4.1.1 Increase membership and sustain current membership levels that allow the region to grow and further support the growing needs of all Region II members
   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.
   4.4 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.
   4.7 Examine resources and staffing to ensure alignment with strategic planning goals.
   4.7.1 WISA: Created and disseminated a WISA-based newsletter to alert members to opportunities for service, professional development, grants, publications and NASPA involvement. The newsletter offers information about deadlines, online resources and provides opportunities for member campuses to share info about conferences, meetings, etc. Newsletter will be published four times per academic year and invites contributions from WISA members (best practices, announcements, resources, etc.)
4.7.2 Disability KC Rep participated in nominating members to be considered for the National Disability KC Chair positions

4.7.3 AAKC developed AAKC Region II facebook page to keep members updated and encourage involvement within the region and KC. [www.facebook.com/region2aakc](http://www.facebook.com/region2aakc)

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Addendum II

NASPA REGION II
Graduate, New Professionals & Careers in Student Affairs Conference
Fashion Institute of Technology (FIT)
October 4, 2013

* Undergraduate (UG), Graduate Student (G) and New Professional (NP) Conference (1-5 years)

9:30a.m.-10:15a.m. Registration

10:15a.m. Welcome with Erik Kneubuehl, Assistant Vice President/Dean of Students, Fashion Institute of Technology

**Workshop Session I -- 10:30a.m.-11:30a.m.**

1) UG
* Getting Your Goals Right: Personal and Professional Goals that match Institutional Outcomes with Patrick Roger Gordon, Asst. Dean/Director of Housing and Residential Life, Pace University, NYC

2) G
* Conference Career Center Cattle Call with Jeff Blaisdell, Associate Director of Housing and Residential Life, Pace University, NYC

3) NP
* How to Have Professional Small-Talk Savvy with Dr. Marijo Russell O’Grady, Dean for Students, Pace University, NYC

4) All
* Balancing Challenges-Life, Work, Relationships with Dr. Kenneth Matos, Sr. Director for Employment Research & Practice at the Families and Work Institute NYC

**Workshop Session II -- 11:30a.m.-12:30pm**

1) UG
* Developing our Student Affairs Swagger...Preparing for a Career in Higher Education with Dr. Daniel Jean, Executive Director of EOF and Academic Development, Montclair State University

2) G
* Supervision with Erik Kneubuehl, Assistant VP/Dean of Students, Fashion Institute of Technology
3) NP  * Facebook, Tweets, FourSquare...Is It TMI? Managing Information with Tardis Johnson, Assistant Dean for Academic Advisement, Fashion Institute of Technology

4) All  * What is it Like To Be a CSAO? with Dr. Helen Matusow-Ayres, VP Student Affairs, Pratt Institute

12:30p.m.-1:15p.m.  Lunch

1:00p.m.  Welcome Address with Deb Moriarty, Director, Region II Advisory Board, Towson University

1:15p.m.  Keynote with Dr. Marijo Russell O’Grady, Dean for Students, Pace University and NASPA Region II Advisory Board

1:30p.m.-2:15p.m.  Lunch Caucus on Hot Topics

**Workshop Session III --2:30p.m.-3:30p.m.**

1) UG  * Graduate Programs and Professional Organizations with Jill Creighton, Ed.M. Global Community Standards Administrator Doctoral Student - University of Northern Colorado ASCA Finance Committee Chairperson

2) G  * What to Expect the First Year of a Professional Position with Mary Ann Triest, Center for Career & Professional Development, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

3) NP  * Assessment, Writing Learning Outcomes and Goals with Michael Fried, Director of Retention, Analysis and Assessment, Student Success, Pace University

4) All  * The Doctoral Journey: What A Long Strange Trip It Can Be with Dr. Thomas Grace, Director of Community Standards and Compliance, New York University and adjunct professor at Montclair State University

3:35p.m.-4:35p.m.  Speed Networking/Career Roundtable
10:30 am: Welcome and Conference Overview, Ballroom A

10:45-11:40 am: Workshop Session I
- Social Media: Engaging your students, WVC Ballroom B, Sarah McDowell
- Researching and Applying to Graduate School, WVC Ballroom C, Jen Milam and Amanda Merson
- Work-Life Balance, WVC Room 305, Marie Lilly
- Semester @ Sea and Study Abroad, WVC Room 306, Ron Butler and Becky Melone
- NODA and ACUHO-I Internships, WVC Room 307, Spencer Bennett

11:45-12:45 pm: Workshop Session II
- Student Affairs 101, WVC Ballroom B, Sarah McDowell
- Supervision: Skills, Strategies and Considerations, WVC Ballroom C, Matthew R. Shupp
- Embrace Being a New Professional (1-4 years), WVC Room 305, Joan Maze
- Assessment: How to become an expert, WVC Room 306, Jayson Schablik
- Avoiding the “Accidental Career” Creating a Professional Development Plan, WVC Room 307, Lorie Logan-Bennett

12:45-1:45 pm: Lunch, Welcome and Keynote, Ballroom A

1:30-2:15 pm: Post-Lunch Caucus: Hot Topics, Ballroom A
- Inclusive Programming – Kristin Land and Mahnoor Ahmed
- Campus Wellness – Courtney Becker and Allison Frey
- Residential Engagement – Jayson Schablik
- Substance Prevention and Education – Sarah McDowell
- Our Role in Diversity Education – Lisa Simmons Barth and Joan Maze
- Issues with Internships – Glenda Henkel and Kacie Glenn
- Getting Connected in the Field – Ron Butler
- Grooming Student Employees – Steven C. Sweat
- How Technology Impacts Our Field – Lorie Logan Bennett

2:30-3:30 pm: Panel Presentation
- Types of Institutions, WVC B, Mahnoor Ahmed, David Satterlee, Traci Martin, Darcy Acardi, Calvin Smith
- Types of Graduate Programs, WVC Ballroom C, Jayson Schablik, Chris Rindosh, Kristin Lang
- Jobs You May not Have Considered, WVC Room 306, Colleen Sorem, David Fedorchak, Courtney Becker, Annie McMahon
- Lesson Learned from Professionals in the Field, WVC 307, Lisa Simmons-Barth, Dirron D. Allen, Matthew R. Shupp, Lisa Reagle

3:35-4:45 pm: Speed Networking, Ballroom A
Everyone is encouraged to stay during the networking session to mingle with participants.
9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Registration

10:30 a.m. Welcome & Overview
Welcome: Hal D. Payne, Vice President for Student Affairs, Buffalo State
Overview: Timothy R. Ecklund, Associate Vice President, Student Affairs, Buffalo State

10:45 – 11:40 a.m. Workshops
Session 1
“So you want to be a Dean of Students? Hear from the experts!”
Presenters: Charles Kenyon, Dean of Students, Buffalo State
Barbara Ricotta, Dean of Students, University at Buffalo
Carrie McLaughlin, Dean of Students, Niagara University
Petrina Hill-Cheatom, Dean of Students, Erie Community College City

Many student affairs professionals entered the field because of the caring hand of a Dean of Students. Historically, this position began student affairs as a Dean of Men or Dean of Women. How has it changed? What’s it like today? How will it be in the future? Hear from those who know in what will be a very interesting and informative session.

NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program (NUFP)
Presenters:
Kianna Thomas, Resident Director, Buffalo State
Brandon Dunkley, Graduate Assistant, University at Buffalo

NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Programs propels undergraduate students into the field of student affairs in a supportive mentorship program. Come listen to two alums of the program talk about how the NUFP program has helped them in their understanding of the student affairs career.

11:45 – 12:45 p.m. Workshops
Session 2
How to prepare for your first professional position in student affairs – thoughts about being a new professional from those in the field
Presenters:
Rhina Duquela, Assistant Director of Residence Life and Student Conduct, Mercyhurst University
Brian Dubenion, Assistant Director for Student Success, Buffalo State
Kristen Catalano, Assistant Director for Greek Life and Student Activities, Buffalo State

The anticipation of the first professional position for student affairs professionals is only matched by the anxiety it creates. During this session, three professionals will share their stories, insights and most importantly, their advice about how to make it a successful experience.

My World, My Resume – How to prepare a resume for a student affairs career.
Presenter:
Lynn Rogers, Student Employment Coordinator of Career Development Cntr., Buffalo State

Writing a resume is a very personal endeavor. Trying to capture your professional life on one or two pages is truly a challenge. Hear from an expert who will provide you with important tips to help you to create a resume that represent you well in your job search.

12:45 – 1:45 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m. Welcome Address
Deb Moriarty, President – NASPA Region II (video address)
1:15 p.m. Keynote
Marijo Russell O’Grady, Dean of Students, Pace University (video address)
1:30 – 2:15 p.m. Post-Lunch Caucus: Hot Topics
2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Workshops

I want to teach so how do I get there? Practitioner or scholar, scholar or practitioner; what do I need to know?
Amy Wilson, Assistant Professor, Buffalo State
Logan Hazen, Assistant Professor (clinical), University of Rochester
Raechele Pope, Associate Professor, University at Buffalo
This esteemed panel will discuss how and why they made a career transition from being a practitioner to being a full-time faculty member. They will also discuss the role of adjunct faculty. Importantly, they will provide the audience insights to the faculty world and answer the question “If I could do this over...?”
To Doctorate or Not to Doctorate....
Timothy R. Ecklund, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, Buffalo State

At some point in their careers, many Student Affairs professionals find themselves confronted with the very personal decision of whether to pursue a doctorate. Inevitably evokes a number of related considerations such as "do I really need it?" "when should I go?", "which degree?", "which university?", "do I have the motivation" "what can I expect?" This session is intended explore these questions.

3:35 – 4:45 p.m.   Speed Networking (coordinated by G.A.S.P.A.)