Ken Kelly, NASPA Region VI Vice President
Report for the 2011 July Board of Directors Meeting

June 20, 2011

Discussion Items

1. How is the NASPA Board using the results of Consolidation voting results and feedback to re-evaluate and implement changes, if needed, into the NASPA organization? How is this being conveyed to NASPA members?

2. How is the NASPA Board intentionally creating an educational and sensitivity-focused Arizona conference in relation to undocumented students and social justice issues surrounding immigration?

NASPA GOALS

To provide professional development to our members through the creation and dissemination of high quality experiences, information and exemplary models of practice

Following is the list of Region VI Professional Development Programs:

1. Region VI Board Summer Strategic Planning Retreat (There were a total of 18 attendees during the two-day meeting).
   Date: June 15-16, 2011
   Location: The Dana on Mission Bay in San Diego, CA

2. Region VI sent ongoing communication to members to complete the Region VI Survey; the results were reviewed and assessed at the Region VI Board Meeting.

3. NASPA Southern California Executive Committee and ACPA Co-Sponsored Professional Speaker Event: *Best Practices Workshop with George Kuh*
   Date: April 13, 2011
   Location: University of California, Riverside

4. Region VI has produced its’ monthly publication of its’ Regional E-Newsletter *Student Affairs West*

5. The “Anthology” 2011 Regional Conference Committee has ongoing conference call planning meetings. The Conference is Nov. 6 -11, 2011 at the Hard Rock Hotel in San Diego, CA.
6. The NASPA Hawaii 2012 Regional Conference Committee has had several conference call meetings with the Regional VP and 2012 Conference Chair. The committee colleagues in Hawaii have held in-person meetings to determine the theme and logistics.

**To provide leadership in higher education through policy development and advocacy for students on important international, national, state, and local issues**

1. The Public Policy Coordinator has participated in the monthly National Public Policy Conference Call Meetings and disseminated pertinent legislative information, specifically critical news for Region VI. The Chair has submitted a Conference Program Proposal for the Regional Conference 2011.

2. The NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program Coordinator is planning the NUFP Fellows Program at the Regional Conference in 2011 and 2012.

**To advance pluralism, diversity, and internationalism in NASPA and the profession**

1. The individual Knowledge Communities have been consistently meeting and holding special events and programs. The KC Co-Coordinators hold regular Conference Call meetings for leadership development and strategic planning.

(Please refer to the KC Coordinators Report (#9 under Regional Reports) for detailed information on programs and workshops.)

2. The Community Colleges Coordinator has submitted a Conference Program Proposal for the Regional Conference 2011. She is encouraging community colleges to participate at the Conference.

3. The Small Colleges and Universities Coordinator has submitted a Conference Program Proposal for the Regional Conference 2011. She is encouraging small colleges and universities to participate at the Conference.

**To maintain, evaluate, and develop a high quality association structure and national office to meet current needs, anticipate future trends, and promote growth**

1. The recently appointed Region VI Volunteer Coordinator attended the Board VI Retreat in June and is actively working on increasing volunteerism.

2. Based on the Board VI Retreat in June, a new Technology/Web Specialist will be added to the Region VI Board to assist with webinars and professional drive-in workshops with simultaneous web access.

3. The Research Division and Research Grants Region VI group is sending a call for research proposals in June.

4. The Professional Competency Areas for Student Affairs Practitioners Coordinator is working with the National Office and all Regional Representatives to refine the competency areas as well as looking at the icons. She has worked with the Region VI Conference Chair 2011 to ensure that all programs will have a competency icon.
5. Region VI total Membership includes 1475 Individual Members and 98 Institutional Members. The Membership Coordinator is working with National to secure a list of former institutional members to do an assessment with them and invite them to join NASPA again.

REGION VI REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS (9 Total)

1. Membership Report submitted by Marie Minnick

Current Regional Membership:

Individual Members  1475
Institutional Members  98

Membership by Classification:

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Total Individual Membership: 1475
Total Institutional Membership: 98

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**Individual Membership**

Individual memberships continue to be high but are down a bit from Fall 2010.

- Increases from Summer 2010 - Up 207 members, a 14.3% increase

**Institutional Membership**

Institutional memberships increased by one this quarter.

- Decrease from Summer 2010 – Down 10 members, a 9.3% decrease
- This decrease will be a target item for the membership committee to assess and address over the next few months.

**Central Office Update**

A conference call is being scheduled for sometime in the next couple of weeks that will include all regional membership coordinators and three central office staff members including a new staff member named Rhoda.

**Region VI Membership Committee**

**Regional Membership Coordinator**
Marie Minnick
Assistant Dean of Students
University of San Diego
mminnick@sandiego.edu
(619)260-4600 x4590

**Northern California Membership Representative**
Currently Open
Dean Kennedy, NorCal Executive Chair is the contact person

**Southern California Membership Representative**
Currently Open
2. Treasurer Report submitted by Natalie Schonfeld

The Treasurer Report includes the following: Budget Allocations and Agreements, financial report, funding request form, and the check request form.

A. Budget Allocations and Agreements

Each year, the National Office deposits into our regional account a base amount of $12,000 as well as $12 per institutional member and $3 per individual member according to the membership numbers on July 1\textsuperscript{st} of the new budget year.

As a Board, we agreed to set aside funds to support the following efforts/initiatives:

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As a board, we agreed to collect the following minimum base fees at regionally/sub-regionally sponsored drive-in workshops:

- $20-student members
- $35-professional members
- $40-professional non-members

Effective July 2011, NASPA Region VI will allocate funds to each of the four sub regions based on their respective individual membership numbers.

This will serve two purposes:

1. ensure that each sub-region would have an infusion of funds yearly to be used for professional development initiatives, and
2. encourage sub-regional leaders to work actively to maintain and increase membership.
## NASPA REGION VI
### FINANCIAL REPORT
**Tuesday June 14, 2011**

### Account | Balance
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Region VI Account | $81,247.81
2011 Western Regional Conference (San Diego) | -$16,517.29
2012 Western Regional Conference (Hawaii) | -$4,093.25
Knowledge Communities | $1,008.58
Southern California Executive Committee | $357.53
Northern California Executive Committee | -$30.94
Hawaii Executive Committee | $4,914.99
Arizona Executive Committee | $11,385.66

**TOTAL Region VI Funds** | **$78,273.09**

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### National Allocations

$12,000 + $3 per individual member + $12 per institutional member

- 2009-2010 allocation: $16,980
- 2010-2011 allocation: $16,809

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### C. New Funding Request Form for NASPA Region VI

**Name:** ________________________________

*(Requestor must be a member of NASPA.)*

**Institution:** ________________________________

**Address:** ________________________________

**Telephone:** ___________________  **Fax:** __________________

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Email: __________________________

Requestor’s NASPA Knowledge Community/ other NASPA entity affiliation:

Describe the event/activity for which you are seeking financial support from NASPA Region VI (include the date, time, location, anticipated attendance numbers, etc.).

How does your event/activity benefit the NASPA Region VI membership?

*Please attach a detailed budget for your event/activity to be reviewed by the NASPA Region VI Board (please note if there are any other organizations who are sponsoring this event/activity.)*

Please submit this electronically to Natalie B. Schonfeld, NASPA Region VI Treasurer, at nschonfe@uci.edu. Please allow 2-3 weeks for funding requests to be reviewed.

If NASPA Region VI provides you with funding for your event, you will be expected to communicate our sponsorship to event/activity attendees and share information about NASPA.

D. Check Request Form For Region VI

*Requester fills in this section*

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Once this section is complete, attach receipt or invoice and please return to:
nschonfe@uci.edu / F. 949.824.1607 / Natalie B Schonfeld UCI, 2100 Student Services II, Irvine, CA 92697-5400

*Treasurer/VP approval*

| Account Name: | Department Name: |
Checking Account
to be Debited:

☐ Region VI – Regional
☐ Region VI – Conference
☐ Region VI – NorCal
☐ Region VI – SoCal
☐ Region VI – AZ
☐ Region VI – HI
☐ Region VI - KC

X

Treasurer/RVP's Signature

Once this form is signed, please return to:
Cmiller@NASPA.org / F. 202.446.0888 / 111 K Street, NE, 10th floor, Washington D.C. 20002-4409

3. Public Policy Report submitted by Kandy Mink Salas
   1. We have a new national Public Policy Coordinator Rebecca Mills, our wonderful colleague from Region V. The regional Public Policy Representatives, Rebecca, and our national office liaisons, including Gwen Dungy, hold a monthly conference call.

   2. In Region VI specific news, the Supreme Court declined to hear the challenge brought against the California law that allows undocumented students to attend state colleges. This is good news for those of us that support the rights of undocumented students to engage in higher education. Also, the California Assembly has passed legislation which will allow undocumented students to access some state-based financial aid. This bill next moves onto the state Senate. On issues of reaccreditation, WASC continues to respond to the expectations of the Department of Education and the expansion of for-profit education.

   3. The Public Policy Division continues to have conversations about programs at the national conference that address issues of immigration and undocumented students, in light of the Phoenix, AZ location and public policy issues in the state. We will be working with the Latino/a and API KC leadership on this.

   4. On the national scene, Alabama has passed legislation that will bar undocumented students from enrolling in state colleges. Alabama joins North Carolina with this policy. As of June 8, there are 5 states that forbid undocumented students from paying in state tuition and 13 that allow it (Source: USA Today). For states that have no laws in place, each campus can decide. There is a new federal funding opportunity for Hispanic Serving Agriculture Colleges and Universities. More information can be found on the HACU website (Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities).

   5. Rebecca Mills and I will be doing the Public Policy Update session again at the regional conference in San Diego.

4. Small College and University Report submitted by Jeanne Ortiz
• Through the NASPA Office, communicate with Small College and University Division representatives in Region VI to encourage submission of program proposals for the NASPA Regional Conference in November, 2011.
• University of La Verne, Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Loretta Rahmani, hosted a luncheon for senior student affairs officers from small colleges and universities in the Los Angeles area in January 2011.
• Vice President for Student Development, Dr. Phyllis Cremer, hosted a luncheon for senior student affairs officers from small colleges and universities in the Los Angeles area in April, 2011.
• Jeanne Ortiz submitted a program proposal for a small college and university roundtable at the NASPA Regional Conference to be held in November, 2011 in San Diego, CA.
• Participate and attend the Region VI Board Summer Retreat, June 15-16, 2011.

5. Southern California Executive Committee Report submitted by Kim Burdett and Jesse Ramirez

The Southern California Executive Committee had been inactive for about a year when we were asked to rebuild the committee in November, 2010. Over the next few months, we worked to recruit committee members in the various vacant positions that existed. We now have the following people in place:
• Co-Chair – Kim Burdett, UC Irvine & Jesse Ramirez, CSULB
• Vice-Chair – Alexandra Froehlich, LMU
• Secretary – Katie Peterson, Pitzer College
• Graduate Outreach Coordinator – Jean Bennett, UC Irvine
• Membership Coordinator – Marie Minnick, University of San Diego
• Professional Development Chairs – Dayanne Izmirian, University of San Diego and Erica Lovano McCann, University of Southern California
• Graduate Faculty Liaison – Dr. John Hoffman, CSU Fullerton
• CSAO Liaison – VACANT
• Member at Large – Steve Lerer, UC Riverside

Several committee members are working on developing a network of liaisons across Southern California campuses through each institution, while other are working to develop liaisons with graduate programs as well as graduate students. Additionally, we have re-established regular meetings and communication for the Southern California Executive Committee in order to move the work of the organization forward.
Professional development opportunities have continued in the area, to the credit of the Professional Development Committee Chairs of the past year (Dayanne Izmirian and Karina Viaud). With their committee, they organized a drive-in workshop entitled “Standing Out Above the Competition: Preparing for Job Search” at Chapman University on February 11, 2011. Additionally, they partnered with UC Riverside to sponsor George Kuh’s visit and program entitled “Inspiring Success on a Dime: Growing and Enhancing High Impact Practices and High Quality Opportunities While Maximizing Resources” on April 13, 2011. Karina Viaud has transitioned out of her role as Co-Chair of Professional Development, and Erica Lovanno McCann, who has been an instrumental member of the Professional Development Committee, has stepped into the role for the upcoming year.
The Southern California Executive Committee is enthusiastically looking forward to strengthening the membership and involvement for Southern California in the upcoming year.

6. Northern California Executive Committee Report submitted by Dean Kennedy
Our Mission as NorCal NASPA is to be the voice of student affairs professionals in Northern California

Goals in line with our Mission
1. To provide professional development through the dissemination of high quality information and exemplary models of practice.
2. To provide leadership in higher education through policy development and advocacy for students on important National issues.
3. To promote pluralism, diversity, and internationalism in NASPA and the profession.
4. To provide leadership for promoting, assessing, and supporting student learning and successful educational outcomes.
5. To maintain, evaluate, and develop a high quality association infrastructure to meet current needs and anticipate future trends.
6. To provide recruitment, retention, and advancement through educational and networking opportunities

Executive Committee members: Nathan Finley (IT/Website), Laura Harrison, (Research/Scholarship), Dean Kennedy (Chair)
Vacant Positions: Membership/Secretary, Social Networking, Professional Development

Agenda
I. Updates
   a. Executive Board Positions
      i. Social Networking Coordinator
         1. Looking for someone
      ii. Secretary/Membership
         1. Looking for someone
      iii. Professional Development
         1. Looking for someone
   b. Knowledge Communities –Updates and Vacancies
      i. Below is our list of NorCal Representatives and individuals we have recommended to Sarah and Faraah.
      ii. Administrators in Graduate & Prof Student Services: __________________________
      iii. African American Concerns: __________________________
         1. Recommended: Miesha Biesley, St. Marys
      iv. Alcohol and Other Drugs: __________________________
         1. Recommended: Heather Dunn-Carlton - Pacific
      v. Asian Pacific Islander Concerns: Kevin Lee, Pacific
         1. Gearing up and moving forward
         2. Talking about separating identity groups & acknowledge groups
      vi. Assessment, Evaluation, and Research: Sabrina Kwist
         1. No update
      vii. Campus Safety: __________________________
      viii. Disability Concerns: Jess Miller, Mills College
         1. No update
      ix. Fraternity & Sorority Affairs: Collin Wallace, Pacific
         1. No update
      x. Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Concerns: __________________________
         1. Recommended: Marissa Boyce - Berkeley
      xi. Health in Higher Education: Gary Rodriguez, CSUMB
         1. No update
xii. Indigenous People: ___________________

xiii. International Education: Chetan Chowdhry - Berkeley
    1. No update

xiv. Latino/a Concerns: ___________________

xv. Men and Masculinities: Craig Elliott, Samuel Merritt
    1. No update

xvi. Multiracial: ___________________

xvii. New Professionals and Graduate Students: Siobhan Byrne
    1. No update

xviii. Parent and Family Relations: ___________________
       1. Recommended: Linda Dempsey, University of the Pacific

xix. Spirituality and Religion in Higher Education: ___________________
     1. Recommended: Joanne Sanders, Stanford

xx. Student Affairs Development & External Relations: Alyson Satterland, CSU-Sacramento
    1. No update

xxi. Student Affairs Professionals Working In and With Academic Affairs:
     1. Recommended: Bill Oye, Dean of Student Life, DVC

xxii. Student Leadership Programs: Ankita Rakhe & Mitchell Friedman
     1. Survey to collect information on programs offered by member schools

xxiii. Sustainability: ___________________
     1. Recommended: Fiona Kelley, Pacific

xxiv. Technology: Silvina Sousa-Ransford, Pacific
     1. No update

xxv. Veterans: ___________________
     1. Recommended: Jon Hess, Pacific
     2. Recommended: Ross Laughton, Pacific

xxvi. Women in Student Affairs: ___________________
     1. Recommended: Christine Erickson, CSUMB

c. Professional Development Opportunity
   i. Working with CCPA to plan something during Fall term
   ii. Working with CCPA to receive funds from January 2011 Drive-in Conference
       (they are having difficulties within CCPA getting access to funds)

d. NorCal Social Networking Opportunity
   i. Working with CCPA to plan something during Fall term

e. Next Regional Conferences
   i. Hard Rock in San Diego 2011
      1. Looking to have sub-regional meeting times/rooms (business meeting,
         open meeting, and social – if possible)
   ii. Hawaii in 2012

f. Mock Placement and Professional Development Drive-In
   i. January 2012
   ii. 2 Tracks
      1. Mock Placement
      2. Professional Development Track
   iii. Wine Tasting

II. Wrap-up: Questions, Comments, Thoughts, Concerns
   a. Please contact Dean Kennedy at dkennedy@csumb.edu or 831-582-3865

7. Community College Report submitted by Kate Mueller
~ Hosted a Community College Reception at 2010 Western Regional Conference
~ Planning a Community College Reception for 2011 Western Regional Conference
~ Participated on two panel presentations and presented one workshop at 2011 NASPA National Conference
~ Assisted with and co-presented a half-day workshop on SLOs at NASPA Assessment Conference in June 2010; also presented a workshop on SLOs and Program Review
~ Facilitated a Student Services Institute at Ivy Tech on SLOs and Program Review in January 2011
~ Actively encouraged/ing colleague to nominate people for regional and national awards; personally nominating 2-3 people for 2011 regional awards.
~ In February 2011 I served on a panel presentation and also presented a workshop at the Association of California Community College Administrators (ACCCA) national conference in February 2011; both presentations included NASPA as a resource and professional development option
~ Mentoring fellow deans and NASPA members (unofficially, but actively)

8. Nominations and Awards Report submitted by Rebecca Gutierrez Keeton

2011 Awards - The deadline is Wednesday, August 31, 2011.

Thank you to 2010 committee members

Arizona:  LeAnne Jones Wiles left the region, so we need a new representative from AZ.

Hawaii:  Lori Ideta, University of Hawai‘i, West Oahu

No. CA:  Laura Harrison, Stanford University

So. CA:  Dyrell W. Foster, Mount San Antonio College

Award Budget Summary

Award Plaques for Regional Conference $1,101.97
Imperial Awards Inc. 10661 West Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90064
(310) 475-2090 or (800) 590-5055

Eleven (11) Ag581 Octagon Rosewood Piano Fin. $60 each $660
Laser Engraving $309.90
Tax $94.57
Shipping with $900 insurance $37.50
Total $1101.97 (Paid with Region VI Visa Card).

Regional Award Costs $1,800

- Undergraduate Rising Star $250 (submit check request) + Complimentary Regional Conference Registration for the Conference $150 (student) $400
- Graduate Rising Star $250 (submit check request) + Complimentary Regional Conference Registration for the Conference $150 (student) $400
- New Professional $250 scholarship (submit check request) + Complimentary Regional Conference Registration for the Conference $250 (early bird) $500
- Knowledge Community Achievement Award for Collaboration and Visibility $500
One change for next year: At the conference, I’ll give the recipient instructions and the check request paperwork necessary to gain access to the funds.

**Set-aside funding for Awards Luncheon Tickets $100**

*This year, each person attending the luncheon was either registered for the conference or had a nominator that was willing to pay for their luncheon registration. I think that the committee should have a few dollars set aside to offer to pay for the luncheon ticket for an award winner, in the event of a “sensitive situation.”*

**Regional awards website**

I have a phone meeting scheduled with Jesse Ramirez (562) 985-5515, jram@csulb.edu to update the site. The site has award winners, from 1997 – 2010, listed two ways.

**By Year**

- **2010** Portland, OR
- **2009** San Jose, CA
- **2008** Long Beach, CA
- **2007** Las Vegas, NV
- **2006** San Francisco, CA
- **2005** Tucson, AZ
- **2004** Boise, ID
- **2003** San Diego, CA
- **2002** Boise, ID
- **2001** Maui, HI
- **2000** Monterey, CA
- **1999** Monterey, CA
- **1998** Santa Barbara, CA
- **1997** Las Vegas, NV

9. **Knowledge Community Reports submitted by Faraah Mullings and Sarah Wibe-Norris**

I. **KC Highlights from the 2011 National Conference in Philadelphia:**

- African American Concerns KC Region VI Rep, Kevin Dougherty presented at the Annual Conference.
- Disability KC has improved access and accommodation at NASPA national conference.
- Disability KC Region VI Rep met with the region V Disability KC representative at the NASPA Conference in Philadelphia and discussed data management systems for Disability Offices.
- Disability KC: Met with KC members who attended the NASPA National Conference in Philadelphia during the formal KC meeting as well as outside of scheduled meetings and received feedback on needs and directions for the KC nationally and Region VI.
- The Disability KC welcomes two new co-chairs of the KC, Mary Lee Vance and Neal Lipsitz. A productive business meeting was held at the NASPA National Conference in Philadelphia and a follow up conference call was held in May. New goals for the coming year are in development and publications, partnerships with other organizations, and support of a growing Disability KC membership are all being addressed.
- Fraternity and Sorority Affairs KC created publications and resources for job searching at the Annual Conference and The Placement Exchange.
- Region VI members participated in the Panel of Listeners Program at the Annual Conference.
Region VI members participated in the Knowledge Communities Fair.

Spirituality and Religion KC Region VI Rep Matt Calfin participated in the organizing of a sacred space at the Annual Conference and The Placement Exchange.

II. Examples of Generation of Knowledge since January 2011:

• Disability KC has had increased traffic on newly created Disability KC Facebook page, and improved access and accommodation at NASPA regional and national conferences.

• Health in Higher Education KC: planning a fall 2011 Region VI HHEKC is in the process of planning a drive-in conference for Southern and Northern California. The Southern Cal drive in will focus on the following:
  • Mental Health and the LGBT community; related to students who are questioning; making the choice to come out or stay in the closet while in college. We will collaborate with experts as well as related KC’s.
  • The Northern Cal drive in conference is still being developed but may focus on a thread of public health.

• Latino/a KC sent an update in April informing their membership on the following topics: LKC Region VI Events, LKC National Co-Chair Election Results, 2011 Western Regional Conference Proposals Needed, ACPA-NASPA Consolidation, North Cal and Hawaii Sub-Regional Representatives still needed.

• NPGS: Created a facebook page and offered two resources/presentations for the job search/interview process.

• Spirituality KC published an article in the Regional newsletter.

• Sustainability KC created the sustainable vendor network and remained very active nationally and regionally.

• WISA KC: Panel of Listeners Program at the Western Regional Conference - In Progress.

• National Conference for College Women Student Leaders - Leadership for Today and Tomorrow – “Leading Lives of Purpose through Ethical and Spiritual Leadership” — University of Maryland College Park – presenting on June 3, 2011. WISA KC proposed this presentation for the national conference and it was accepted. Young women will learn about WISA, its purpose and goals as well as ways to lead through ethical and spiritual values.

• Latino/a KC: “The Only One in the Room” Drive In Conference. Saturday, June 25, 2011. 10:00 am to 4:30 pm, Claremont University Consortium – Tranquada Student Services Center. It will be a day of professional development workshops and a panel discussion on the roles our multiple identities play as professionals in Student Affairs. Attendees will engage in dialogues on the struggles and advantages of being a Latino/a in higher education.
  • Our panel of NASPA Knowledge Community Representatives will discuss how they've successfully navigated those challenges and opportunities. Our presenters will range from graduate students to SSAOs.
  • March Women’s History Month Event, “Our History is our Strength”. LMU co-sponsored event with the Committee of Status of Women at Loyola Marymount. Knowledge communities – WISA KC (Josie Alquist) and Health in Higher Education KC (Gail Buck). We had about 60 participants.
  • WISA KC co-sponsorship with Latino/a Knowledge Community for a possible pre-conference at the 2011 Western Regional Conference. Title: Latina Anthology – sharing experiences in student affairs work.
  • Veterans: CSULB’s VET NET Ally program which raises awareness and helps establish a network of allies for student veterans on college and university campuses.

III. KC Co-Coordinator Accomplishments as of June 1, 2011

• Began recruitment in January 2010 o Regional e-mails, article in Student Affairs West newsletter, outreach at NASPA
Annual Meeting in Chicago, outreach to Region VI Advisory Board and Executive Committees, outreach to National KC Chairs and Western Regional 2011 Conference Planning Committee

• Appointed 52 KC Reps
  o 23 Regional Representatives
  o 29 Sub-Representatives
• Processed appointment letters
• Updated Region VI KC Leadership Manual
• Conducted KC Leadership Orientation and Conference Calls
  o Have scheduled Conference Calls with KC Leadership for rest of the year
• Updated Regional Listserv with appointed KC Reps
• Attending and/or participating in 2011 Conference Planning Committee meetings
• Maintaining regular communication with NASPA National Office and KC Director
• KC Representatives have submitted program proposals for Western Regional Conference in San Diego
• KC Representatives have registered to serve as Program Reviewers
• Collaborating with Region V KC Coordinator to prepare for Western Regional Conference in San Diego
• Continue to process KC Quarterly Reports

IV. KC Co-Coordinator Goals of June 1, 2011
-Filling all vacant Regional Representative and Sub-Representative positions
Orientations for appointed KC Representatives to mission, purpose and duties
-Update Region VI KC Leadership Manual
-KC Regional Representatives to identify a project to be completed every six months
-In Quarterly Reports identify or provide updates on best practices, current research and other opportunities for their membership to be informed of developments related to the KC
-Encourage KC Regional Representatives to submit nominations for Regional Awards
Create a process to record and remind KC Leadership to nominate
-Create a log online of what members are doing
-Call for awards submission every quarter with KC Report
-Create opportunities for KC Representative to take the lead on projects
Opportunities within Region VI
-Delegating tasks to Reps in preparation for Regional Conference
-Promoting opportunity for involvement in the Region
  o Advisory Board, Executive committees, conference planning committee and sub-committees, Program Reviewers, Program Proposals submission)
  ▪ Utilize the Western Regional Conference an opportunity for passing the torch
  ▪ Action: Create a transition packet for those exiting (exit survey or report). Also, encouraging KC Sub-Reps to step up to serve as KC Regional Reps
-Collaborate with Region V KC Coordinator in preparation for Western Regional Conference
-Correspondence regarding
  ▪ KC Leadership Lunch
  ▪ KC Communities Fair/First Time Attendee/Newcomers Reception
  ▪ KC Meetings
  ▪ Night Out on the Town

V. KC Goals for 2011-2012
• African American Concerns KC will (1) work on increasing visibility regionally and nationally. (2) Increase communication with AAKC members bridging the gap between conferences. (3) Identified initiatives to complete such as a name change for the KC- dropping “Concerns” and simply calling the KC –African American Knowledge Community, professional development opportunities throughout the year, article submissions to NASPA publications, a mentorship programs for new professionals and working with LKC in a supportive stance against SB1070.
• Disability KC will (1) create a new Disability Resource publication for NASPA that is currently being drafted by the Disability KC. (2) Volunteer positions are being identified and drafted for the KC that will allow members to assume responsibility for specific online content
such as Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube channels.

- Health in Higher Education KC: Our goals align with the national Health in Higher Education Knowledge Community. We strive to provide learning opportunities for student affairs professionals, campus administrators, faculty, and students. We will intersect health and learning by addressing innovative topics that are dynamic and fluid. Our goal is to collaborate as often as possible and adopt / develop best practices.

- Latino/a KC will (1) Coordinate more effective communication amongst the LKC Region VI membership. These efforts will be met by holding regular phone conferences, socials across the state(s) spread amongst specific regions in each state. (2) The development of the Latina/o Report Card, an opportunity for the region to collect data, articles and research that are specifically focused on the Latina/o population in our represented region. What issues of access, equity and retention are impacting the Latina/o community when it relates to higher education. (3) We will host educational sessions that will be open to the entire region regarding SB 1070 and the DREAM Act.

- International Education KC will (1) Actively recruit professionals in region VI working with IE programs to join NASPA and the IEKC. (2) Encourage presentation submissions focused on IE from region VI members for the regional and national conferences. (3) Find connections between the work of other knowledge communities and the IEKC, and seek collaboration. (4) Facilitate discussions among members of the IEKC electronically about hot topics in IE such as assessment of IE educational outcomes, preparation programs for IE, and establishing partnerships between U.S. and international colleges and universities.

- NPGS KC will (1) review the leadership curriculum and assess needs for the revised curriculum for 2011-2012. (2) Re-evaluate the past NPGS scholarship and creating a new process for the upcoming Western Regional conference. Will have set dates/deadlines for use in future years. (3) Working on a membership survey.

VI. Hot Topics

- AAKC: Black student entitlement; responding to AA concerns; exploration of methods to get AA students involved with campus centered programming and recruiting, retaining and successfully graduating AA students.

- Disability KC: Serving emerging student populations, including students on the Autism Spectrum and Veterans. Accessibility of online education, Accessibility of NASPA materials online and at regional and national conferences. Improving communication with ACPA and AHEAD.

- Latino/a KC: Arizona State Bill 1070, we will attempt to inform members of the region about how this state bill is affecting members of our community, specifically students, in Arizona. The LKC has provided a formal response to SB 1070 and its impact on us as practitioners and the students we serve.

- Spirituality and Religion in Higher Education KC: Interfaith White House Summit. The impact of faith on college campuses in the light of cultural, political and economic events in our nation and abroad.

- WISA KC: Knowledge Community “Operations”: Budget/funding for more events. How do we offer that event 1-3 times per year, offered at other universities in other areas of Region VI, as well as Southern California/LA.

- Veterans KC topics is the student veterans report completed by researchers at Utah University’s National Center for Veterans Studies, excerpted below. The research project surveyed student veterans who were aligned as members of the Student Veterans of America nonprofit student group at campuses across the country. “Although consistent with our original hypothesis, we were quite surprised by both the frequency and severity of psychological symptoms and suicide risk in this sample, with almost 35% of the sample experiencing “severe anxiety”, 24% experiencing “severe depression” and almost 46% qualifying for a diagnosis of
PTSD. Of particular concern, there are significant numbers of participants thinking about suicide (46%), with 20% having a plan, 10.4% thinking about suicide “often or very often”, 7.7% making an attempt, and 3.8% believing that suicide is either “likely” or “very likely”. These numbers are alarming, not only in comparison to the modal college or university student, but also in contrast to VA clinical populations (e.g., Jakupcak et al., 2010; Pietrzak et al., 2010). Current results would appear to indicate that large numbers of student veterans are experiencing significant psychiatric symptoms, with a considerable number at heightened risk for suicide. It would also appear that PTSD is a particularly significant factor, with 82% of those making a suicide attempt qualifying for diagnosis.”

VII. KC Co-Coordinator Upcoming Meetings:

- KC Co-Coordinators held Region VI Knowledge Community Leadership conference calls on February 8, 2011 and May 4, 2011. We will have email updates over the month of June and July. We will hold conference calls in August and October of 2011 as we prepare for the Western Regional Conference.

VIII. KC Western Regional Conferences Updates:

- Disability KC has improved access and accommodation at NASPA regional conference.
- Collaboration between Region V Latino/a Knowledge Regional Representative, Joel Perez and Women in Student Affairs Representative, Amber Garrison Duncan. The title is “Weaving an Anthology: Latina Women in Student Affairs” we are hoping it gets approved.
- NPGS KC: contacted the Co-Chairs for the New Professionals & Graduate Students Institute and offered assistance from the NPG KC; awaiting their response.
- Panel of Listeners Program at the Western Regional Conference - In Progress. Phone meetings have been scheduled to discuss website, panel of listeners for our regional and logistics for the event.
- Spirituality and Religion in Higher Education KC: Matt Calfin volunteered to be a program reviewer for the upcoming regional conference and hope to have program accepted at the regional conference.
- KC Coordinator Updates: Both Faraah and Sarah have participated on the 2011 NASPA Western Regional Conference Planning Committee. We are currently working on the following:
  - Transgender Inclusion: check the website for details, ask us, as a reminder.
  - KC Visibility at the conference.
  - KC Leadership Luncheon- have an off site lunch recommendation, finalizing details and agenda.
  - Newcomer's Welcome Reception
  - KC Meetings
  - KC Night out on the town- have off site recommendation, still working on volunteers, transportation and advertising.
  - Advertising of KC events on conference schedule
  - Website- KC events, panel of listeners, program sessions
  - Panel of Listeners
  - Collaborating with Region V.

IX. Other (Awards and presentations)

- Veterans KC, developers of the VET NET Ally program, will be receiving an award from UC Irvine for supporting their efforts to start a Veterans awareness program.

- Maria E. Grandoné WISA Co-Rep, lead presenter at the National Conference for Young Student Leaders – Maryland University in June 3, 2011.

End of NASPA VI June 2011 Report