



**Michael Christakis, Region II Director**  
**Report for the November Board of Directors Meeting**  
**November 2018**

**Leadership & Member Engagement**

**Regional Director's Report**

Since the Advisory Board's summer meeting, I appointed a work group charged with assessing and developing regional programs focused on mid-level managers. **Shadia Sachedina** and **Chris Conzen** have agreed to co-lead this group. I have asked Shadia and Chris to provide the Advisory Board with a preliminary report of their findings and recommendations by our December meeting in Albany with a final report at the Annual Conference in March. Given the number of mid-level managers in the Association, it is critical that we identify their professional development needs and provide programs that address those needs.

**Jodi Bailey** continues to work with colleagues in NASPA Region III on this summer's first-ever NASPA II/III Joint Conference & Symposium in Washington, DC June 4-7, 2019. The conference committee has been constituted and will meet in Washington, DC at the end of November.

The NASPA2 Advisory Board is actively providing feedback to on NASPA's strategic plan and we plan to spend some time during our winter Advisory Board meeting mapping the region's current strategic plan to the association's draft plan and identifying tactics to achieve an gaps that might exist between the two.

Finally, RD-Elect **Terry Martinez** and I are participating in monthly transition calls as terry prepares to assume her role as NASPA2 Regional Director this March.

**(1) REGIONAL EVENTS**

**Region II /III 2019 Joint Conference**

We are currently in the process of asking chairs for the joint conference to be a part of the committee. There are 8 from each region with the possibility of about two more. Almost all of the people who asked to be a chair are going to be one with the exception of two people whom I am going to ask to lead special projects. In all we received 53 applications for committees.

**Careers in Student Affairs**

*NASPA CSAC Attendance Numbers*

2016: 205 attendees at the 2016 conference.

2017: 211 attendees at the 2017 conference.

222 attendees after on-site registration at the 2017 conference

17% increase in attendees from previous year

2018: 246 attendees registered for the 2018 conference.  
264 attendees after on-site registration for 2018  
19% increase in attendees from previous year  
66 different institutions were represented across the 3 sites

## **(2) NASPA DIVISIONS**

### **Community College Division Representative**

- 2020 NASAPA Conference Leadership Committee – Austin, TX – 9/8-9/11
  - Part of the 2020 NASPA Conference Leadership Team
  - Co-leading Innovation Programming/Poster Sessions subcommittee
  - Will participate in monthly calls
- Community College Summit – NASPA CCD Board – Washington DC – 9/27-9/28
  - Met with CCD Board to discuss mission, vision, next steps as a Division
  - Proposed a Community College Symposium at NASPA Region II/III Conference for June 19<sup>th</sup> – more information will be provided in Dec Board meeting
  - Participated in discussion of redesigning modules for CC Symposium series
- Careers in Student Affairs Month – Columbia University – 10/26
  - Presented with Tania Velazquez, Director of Career Services – Suffolk County Community College, a program called “What can you do to make a difference: A career at the community college”
- Panelist for “The ‘Trump Effect’ and Undocumented and DACA students at Community College” Webinar – 10/30
  - Part of a webinar series with UCONN NEAG School of Education, UndocuScholars, and ASHE on undocumented and DACA Community College students.
- James E. Scott Academy
  - Participated in quarterly calls.
- Member Engagement
  - Identified lead for Community College Symposium at NASPA Region II/III Conference
  - Started to outreach regarding facilitators for Community College Symposium at NASPA Region II/III Conference
  - Identified CC members and MMI 2018 cohort to volunteer for NASPA Region II/III Conference
  - Identified CC members and MMI 2018 cohort to volunteer for 2020 NASPA Annual Conference subcommittee

### **Public Policy**

- Participated in regular Region II Board conference calls
- Participated in monthly PPD conference calls
- Published monthly Region II Public Policy newsletters tracking state-level policy
- Wrote September PPD Blog post that was elevated to the main NASPA blog
  - The Rise of Get Out the Vote Campaigns on College Campuses  
Published on October 4, 2018

### **Awards Chair**

The call for the Region II Award nominations went out in August. The deadline for nominations was Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>; however it was extended to Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm.

Communication about the awards included:

- Weekly emails from the Region
- Emails to the June 2018 Region II conference participants

Facebook posts on various pages:

- NASPA Region II
- Black New Jersey Student Affairs Professionals
- Student Affairs Moms
- Student Affairs Professionals involved with Leadership and Diversity Programs
- Black Student Affairs Professionals
- Women in Student Affairs
- Women of Color in Student Affairs
- NASPA Region 2 Grads
- MMI Alumnus
- NASPA Region II Gender and Sexuality KC
- NYU Alumni
- The Admin: A Place for Student Affairs Professionals
- Binders Full of Women and Non Binary People of Color on Academia
- African American Knowledge Community KC
- Student Affairs Professionals
- Student Affairs Mid Level Professionals
- Student Affairs Doc Students
- Black Women in Student Affairs
- ACPA Latin@/a Network

The committee (which consists of colleagues from NYU, Columbia, Pace, Baruch, Montclair, University at Buffalo, Stevens Institute and Guttman Community College) reviewed nominations the week of October 22. The final names will be given to NASPA on Thursday, November 1.

Collectively the region received a healthy number of nominations (60 total) for the following awards.

Region II Scott Goodnight Award for Outstanding Performance as a \*Dean (14)

Region II Robert H. Shaffer Award for Academic Excellence as a Graduate Faculty Member (2)

Region II Rising Star Award (4)

Region II Outstanding Graduate Student Award (8)

Region II Outstanding Contribution to Student Leadership Programs Award (2)

Region II Outstanding Contribution to Literature or Research (1)

Region II Outstanding Contribution to Higher Education (2)

Region II New Professional Award (9)

Region II Mid-Level Student Affairs Professional Award (10)

Region II Fred Turner Award for Outstanding Service to NASPA (1)

Region II Distinguished Excellence in Diversity Award (5)

Region II Community College Professional Award (2)

**\*\*There were no nominations for the Presidents Award\*\***

### **Faculty Council Representative**

The Emerging Faculty Leader Academy applications are open. Applications are due November 1, 2018. The application can be found at: [http://apps.naspa.org/cfp/evt\\_frm\\_user.cfm?event\\_id=963](http://apps.naspa.org/cfp/evt_frm_user.cfm?event_id=963)

The [Faculty Resource Library](#), a joint project facilitated by NASPA's Faculty Division/Council and ACPA's Commission on Professional Preparation, now includes a Journal and Publication Opportunities Section.

Resources being collected include:

- Proposal Forms
- Supervisor Evaluation of Students Forms
- Student Evaluations of Site Forms
- Handbooks for Supervisors and Students

You can either send a link to your materials (if it available online) or send copies as an attachment to an email. Please send your submissions to [FacultyResourceLibrary@gmail.com](mailto:FacultyResourceLibrary@gmail.com).

Members of NASPA's Faculty Council and the ACPA's Commission on Professional Preparation are working to identify and develop additional resources to make available through the Library. If you would like to suggest resources to include or materials to post, please send your suggestions to: [FacultyResourceLibrary@gmail.com](mailto:FacultyResourceLibrary@gmail.com).

To access the Library, visit <http://bit.ly/FacultyResourceLibrary>

At the Region II Conference in New York City, Dr. Vivienne Felix presented on the regional study on graduate preparation faculty who teach diversity courses. The presentation was well received and Sherry Early and Vivienne Felix are working with Chris Carey on supplemental initiatives in support of the strategic planning document.

### **(3) STATE INITIATIVES**

#### **New Jersey**

- Continue to send welcomes to new members within NJ, offering to answer any questions about NASPA and encouraging involvement in the Region.

#### **Pennsylvania**

- Submitted conference proposals for NASPA 2019 with fellow board member. Unfortunately, the proposals were not selected. We will try again for the Region II Conference.
- Nominated for Region 2 award.
- Working with DVSAC planning committee on a NASPA 2 sponsorship that is in line with our strategic priorities.
- Serving on the DVSAC planning committee

### **(4) KNOWLEDGE COMMUNITIES**

## **(5) ALL OTHER**

### **Strategic Initiatives**

- Participant in Mid Managers Working Group
  - Contributed to creation of a survey and created the survey on Baseline through Temple University's account.
  - Will conduct a focus group utilizing the questions created by the working group at Temple University

### **NUFP Coordinator**

- 50 Total Current Number of NUFP Fellows after September 2018 Application Review Cycle in Region II
- 9 NUFPs were Renewals (returning NUFPs)
- 15 NUFPs were Spring applicants (May 2018)
- 26 NUFPs were Fall Applicants (September 2018)
  - 4 additional conditionally accepted fellows from Fall 2018 application cycle
- 3 NUFPs were applicants after the CSAC application cycle (October 2018)
- Total NUFP applications for all regions for Fall 2018 cycle: 151
  - Region II applicants were 29% of total Fall 2018 applicants with a total of 33
  - Fall 2018 Region II accepted applicants up from 24 accepted last Fall 2017
- 7 NASPA recognized Regional Campus Coordinators: SUNY Cortland\*, NYU, SUNY Old Westbury, Penn State, Syracuse\*, Towson University\*, and Lehman College
  - \*Increase by 3 campuses since June 2018
- 28 institutions hosted NUFPs
  - Down by 6 institutions

#### Anticipated/Reported Graduation of Current 50 NUFPs

- 35 are May 2019 Graduates
- 3 are December 2019 Graduates
- 9 are May/June 2020 Graduates
- 2 are May/June 2021 Graduates
- 1 is a December 2021 Graduates

### **Marketing**

- Email Campaigns:
  - NASPA REGION II Awards Promotion (weekly on Friday's)
  - NASPA REGION II Careers in Student Affairs Conference (weekly)
  - NASPA REGION II NY State Rep Emails (bi-weekly)
  - NASPA REGION II NJ State Rep Emails (1x a month)
  - NASPA REGION II Public Policy Update (1x a semester)
- Social Media Updates:
  - Working with Jonathan Freifeld of University at Buffalo who is assisting me with Social Media blasts.
  - Posted MMI Photo Album to Facebook
  - Posted CSAC Photo Album to Facebook
- Developed Email Template Form to ensure consistent and professional messaging across the region.

### **Graduate Student Representative**

- Co-hosted a webinar with Region 3 Graduate Student Representative Shelby Todd called "How to Make the Most Out of Your Graduate Assistantship" on October 8, 2018. There were

approximately 18 students on the webinar. A special thank you to Sherry Earlys and Ruth Ann Roberts for presenting!

- I reached out to the NASPA Graduate Associates within Region 2 introducing myself and advertised the webinar.

## Professional Development & Events

### **(1) REGIONAL EVENTS**

#### **Region II/III 2019 Joint Conference**

Events: The conference is well underway. We have had two site visits with a third planned for late November, hopefully the 29<sup>th</sup>. The MOU has been signed between the regions and there are weekly calls between the RIII Chair and me. Things are going very smoothly. We are currently in the process of working on a save the date for the web.

For the future conferences: I spoke with the hotel reps from Delaware and am reaching out to Niagara. Hoping to do a site visit for Niagara in November and Delaware in the spring. Current conference schedule:

2019: DC

2020: Niagara Falls

2021: NYC

2022: Possible joint or Delaware?

#### **Careers in Student Affairs**

Held at 3 Sites: Columbia University's School of Professional Studies, New Jersey City University, and University of the Sciences. Unfortunately due to low registration numbers and overall challenges with the planning team, we had to cancel the University of Maryland - Eastern Shore site. We also funneled folks who were in the more northern regions of NY State to the CSPA Conference as they had a pre-con geared toward young and new professionals the week prior.

### **(2) NASPA Divisions**

#### **Community Colleges Division**

Network for College Success – Speaker

CUNY Central – August 2, 2018

Aspen Visit – Kingsborough is a finalist for the Top Community College

Kingsborough CC – October 2-3, 2018

LatinX Reception in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month

Gracie Mansion – NYC City Hall – October 9, 2018

CUNY Chief Student Affairs Officers Retreat

CUNY Graduate Center – October 11, 2018

CUNY Service Corp Reception for Puerto Rico

CUNY Graduate Center – October 11, 2018

Assessment of Administrative, Educational, and Student Support Units Workshop

Hostos Community College – October 23, 2018

ACCT Community College Congress – Volunteer

Mariott Marquis, NYC – October 24-26, 2018

### **Faculty Council Representative**

As an adjunct responsibility, I am working with Faculty Council co-coordinating the On Demand faculty learning series with Amy French, the Faculty Mentoring Program with Susana Hernandez, and the Faculty Institute at the conference in Los Angeles.

### **Small Colleges and Universities**

The Small College and University Division is publishing blog posts regarding opportunities and challenges facing small colleges and universities. Below is the remaining blog post schedule:

November – Jesse Grant (Topic TBD)

December – Darrien Davenport, The Power of Giving, Supporting Lower SES Students

January – Danielle Laban, Work-Life Balance for a New Year

February – SCU Division Conference Preview

March – Highlights from LA Conference

### **State Initiatives**

#### **New Jersey**

- Teamed up with NYC rep to offer a mentoring program targeting mid-managers. In total, we matched up approximately 30 professionals from the area.

#### **(2) Knowledge Communities**

#### **(3) All other**

### **Strategic Initiatives**

- Follow up call with Dr. Sherry Early and Dr. Vivienne Felix to discuss research presented on diversity in higher education programs at NASPA Regional Advisory Board meeting in June 2018. The plan moving forward will be to offer learning opportunities for programs to share how they are adjusting to current climate and students to teach diversity in higher education. A particular focus will be placed on an online learning opportunity as well as a session at the joint regional conference since there may be program administrators attending to promote their graduate programs.
- Next steps for upcoming month
  - Outreach to Jacqui Rogers to determine regional support for graduate students going to TPE and/or for those who cannot afford the trip to L.A.
    - Potentially connect with state reps to consider other networking opportunities for those who will be looking for jobs

### **NUFP Coordinator**

Region II Goal: Increase the number of NUFP participants in Careers in Student Affairs Conference as we closely realign NUFP, graduate programs and faculty to the conference.

- Work with CASC co-chair Thea Zunick to review and reallocation of Region II NUFP budget for potential scholarship opportunity for conference registration to 2018-19 NUFPs. The funds were used for the distribution of Graduation Stoles to May NUFP Graduates in past fiscal years.
  - Update on goal:
    - 2 NUFPs took advantage of the scholarships offered to participate in the Careers in Student Affairs Conference. Both attended at Columbia University conference site.

## **Marketing**

- Careers in Student Affairs Conference
  - Hosted conference at Columbia University
  - Developed Logo for Event
  - Hired a photographer to capture event
  - Designed templates for schedule, PowerPoint slides, email campaigns

## **Advocacy & Scholarship**

### **Careers in Student Affairs**

- 2 NUFP Fellows received a full scholarship to attend CSAC