

CAFAA Executive Committee and Board of Directors Meeting

December 22, 2008 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Arapahoe Community College

*In Attendance: Phil Schroeder, Elaine Redwine, Misti Ruthven, Cindy Hjel, Natasha Ambrose, Alan Ishida, Julia Alexander, Aimee Rogers, Shannon Schaeff, Thad Spaulding, James Broscheitt, Jerry Martinez, Kimberly McKay, Adina Chavez, Tammy Dybdahl, ,*

*Absent: Jen Sprinkle, Maureen Conners, Cindy Vadeboncoeur, Deena Guttridge, Karla Nash, Carolee Goldsmith, MegBrewer, Martin Somero, Deedra Albritton. Ezy Ulibarri, Ellie Miller, Rubie Rowe*

Call to order: Elaine greeted everyone

Approval of the minutes: Not enough voting members present. Theresa will email the minutes to Elaine and James to submit to the Board for a vote to approve.

Officer Reports:

President – Elaine Redwine

- Discussed transition: referred members to the web for job descriptions
- Thad and Jerry will be attending NASFAA Leadership Conference in March. Tammy may go as well, once the Treasurer Reports have been evaluated.
- Plan to meet every other month
- Discussion on budget will need to be tabled due to the fact that the budget report is not available at this time. Elaine requested that every one submit s their budget requests by mid-January

Past –President – James Broscheit

- Recapped 2008: budget challenges with changes in contributors; cost of conferences and training
- Enrollment growth and membership remained steady
- Encouraged volunteers, will pass on volunteer forms received at the conference to the committee chairs
- Conference for 2009 – the contract has been signed
- Enrollment growth
- May need to discuss the possibility of establishing new membership parameters with changes in political climate and rising budgetary concerns. Discussion was generated on including high school counselors.
- Discussed Contributor Form. Most contributors bought the package. Past – President – Phil Schroeder
- Seen a lot of change in the last 3 years. Will continue to contribute to CAFAA
- Ended year with about 15 sponsors (down from about 20 from the year prior). Anticipate losing some more. However, there may also be new opportunities arising.

President –Elect – Thad Spaulding

- As Past Vice President, he was kept busy on the Financial Aid Advisory Committee. With the many discussions of Amendment 58, The Colorado Department of Higher Education and FAAC have established many guidelines for potential future state scholarships. Thad will remain on the FAAC as a Community College representative (with Karla Nash). Discussion was generated on the need for more representation from various sectors, as well as CAFAA.

Vice-President – Cindy Hjel – No report at this time

Past Secretary – Theresa Clapham – No report at this time

Secretary – Natasha Ambrose – No report at this time

Past -Treasurer – Maureen Connors – Absent. No report at this time. Elaine will forward budget report via email.

Treasurer – Jerry Martinez – No report at this time.

Treasurer-Elect – Tammy Dybdahl – No report at this time.

#### Committee Reports

Past -Conference Chair -- Misti Ruthven

- Estimates approximately \$2,000 in the black. However, since budget report is not available, we do not have an exact number at this time.
- Total expenses around \$22,000 (budgeted \$30,000). Increase in registration fee was very beneficial.
- Will check in to the feedback on the new technical track and beginner track. May need to advertise the different tracks more in the future, in order to encourage other office attendance (admissions, Bursar, etc).
- CAFAA credit card will need to be re-issued to Jerry

Conference Chair – Meg Brewer – Absent. No report at this time

Conference Co-Chair –Ezy Ulibarri– Absent. No report at this time.

Past Professional Development – Shannon Shaeff. Call for new Chair

Professional Development - Position open at this time. James has a possible candidate to ask.

Financial Aid Awareness – Aimee Rogers – No report at this time

Past Newsletter -- Natasha Ambrose

- Has not heard from the new person, Ruby Rowe . May need to find another person to take over.

Membership – Cindy Vadeboncouer – Absent. No report at this time.

#### Sector Reports

Past -- 2 Year Public Representative – Carolee Goldsmith – Absent. No report at this time

2 Year Public Representative – Karla Nash – Absent. No report at this time

Past – Proprietary Representative – Tammy Dybdahl

Proprietary Representative –Mareen Connors-- Absent. No report at this time

Past-4 Year Public Representative – Meg Brewer – Absent. No report at this time

4 Year Public Representative – Absent. No report at this time

Past 4 Year Private Representative – Jen Sprinkle – Absent. No report at this time

4 Year Private Representative – Adina Chavez . No report at this time

Past-Vocational –Technical Representative – Kimberly McKay

Vocational—Technical Representative – Deena Guttridge –Absent. No report at this time

Past—Service Organization – Julia Alexander

Historian—Ellie Miller – Absent. No report at this time

Service Organization – Alan Ishida

- Requested CAFAA consider raising fees on contributor packages. Discussion was generated on the changing climate with schools pulling out of the FFEL program. Lending vendors may not be willing to pay increased fees. This could potentially place the burden on individual members

#### Other Items:

- Dallas Martin Endowment: NASFAA is requesting donations for internships in student aid. CAFAA will not push for contributions
- College Goal Sunday materials have already been distributed. Post cards are going to high school counselors for distribution to seniors (January 9, 2009).
  - Since NASFAA is no longer a sponsor, may need to discuss CAFAA role in future