



Executive Board Meeting

September 22, 2021

3:30 pm - 6:00 pm (Pacific Time)

Hyatt Regency, Seattle, Room 505-Queets & Zoom

Board Members Present: Megan O'Rourke, Tony Minestra, Brian Hodges, Annette Braden, Angie Cooksy, Eric Ruiz, Josephine West, Derek Brinkley, Erin Updegraff, Josie Blasdel, Paul Welsh, Christian Brown, Kelly Dutmers, Becki Bellito, Sharon Williams

Board Members Not Present: Stacey Schlaud, Scott Lilly, Sylvia Hernandez

Guests: Erin Hoover, Shawn Wochner, Scott Hillman, Amy Herbert, Jill Homerding, Alex, Campos, Joe Freeman, Kara Dollaske

Call to Order/Introductions: (*T. Minestra*) Meeting called to order at 3:36 pm

Approval of March Board Meeting Minutes: (*J. West*)

E. Ruiz motioned to approve the June board meeting minutes. B. Hodges seconded.

Discussion.

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Eric Ruiz

	9/17/21	9/17/20
Checking Balance	\$469,641.89	\$386,062.82
Investment Accounts	\$552,652.96	\$384,378.61
Total Net Worth	\$1,022,294.85	\$770,441.43

Innovation committee open for members to join and the grants committee

Request for surplus funds will be decided by the committee

Reimbursement request- receipts need to be itemized, 1 alcoholic beverage per meal is approved

Membership Report

Christian Brown

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	& Change	TOTAL
Category 1 (Post-Secondary)	+2%	956
Category 2 (Secondary)	-15%	461
Category 3 (Related Education Services)	-12%	176
Total Overall IACAC Membership	-5.4%	1593

Membership renewal just went out

New structure is rolling out

Erin went over Team Account info and rollout- going pretty good so far

Angie asked what communication goes out to new members because of new tier structure

Chief Delegate Report

Annette Braden

Delegates still don't know what their jobs are. They did get a questionnaire on what they see as the Delegate role. Becki suggestion was that the Delegates are the voice of the affiliate, and the delegates find out what the affiliate is thinking and then represent the affiliate. Tony will share what he found out at Conference. Complimented by many affiliates on the strength of our convictions

President-Elect Report

Brian Hodges

In-person conference- can pivot if we need to?
Theme- **Be the Change You Want to See!**
What can you do to make a change!
This will be Donna's last year working on conference

Past-President Report

Megan O'Rourke

Elected APC (Affiliate President Council) Coordinator for NACAC- Congrats!
In charge of Nominations and Bylaws
Meetings today to talk about NACAC partnership- No understanding yet what positions there will be? Still does not know of there will be Delegates
NACAC is still gathering info- they had 12% of membership who actually voted

President Report

Tony Minestra

Leadership Development and how we are taking care of our own
Re-imagining the NACAC/Affiliate partnership
Worked with McKinley Advisors. 10 committee members (200 interested)
2 meetings so far, one more this week.

Focus of the organization:

- “Honesty and transparency”
- “Future-orientated design thinking” (not focusing on the past)
- “Structured conversations are guided by principles”

Was there a charge given to the committee members to engage with the affiliates? The answer is...” not yet”

Ideas coming from the chief delegate reports:

“Mobilizing” the delegates, serving as conduits of information between NACAC and affiliate memberships, more meetings, more often, with NACAC, regional delegate teams

NACAC is not in a position to make decisions on the delegate role - still quote “laying the groundwork” and “gathering feedback”

Questions they asked: “Where has NACAC benefited from the delegates’ input and experience?”
“What has been valuable in this relationship?”

Common theme in the room = frustration. Momentum and motivation are slowing and stalling.

The goal tomorrow is not to “operationalize the recommendations”

“NACAC is changing quickly” - that statement was challenged.

“What has NACAC done? What good are the suggestions? How far have we come in this conversation?”

“We haven’t gotten anywhere yet” - according to NACAC

Idea: delegates serve as the communication line between membership (ground level experiences) and the higher level NACAC mission/leadership team.

“Open-ended process” and “making sure the process is right and set up well.”

Our timeline is becoming unproductive. APC is frustrated with the lack of movement. NACAC is claiming transparency, but that is not how this feels to the affiliates. Lack of communication.

Idea: Imagining a strong leadership development component - delegates would lead that effort. Delegates paired with NACAC board members?

12% response rate to this year's NACAC vote.

What does tomorrow look like?

Information gathering.

That was challenged...didn't we already do that?

Request was made to acknowledge the idea gathering - to know that the delegates were heard - to share the themes more broadly

Request was made for a firm timeline to be shared. What are the milestones? What are the goals? When are the deliverables due?

Angel Perez then spoke:

By law changes proposed came from a 2015 Ad Hoc committee's work

The move towards open voting was directly related to how the membership felt, and what was expressed.

"There is no hidden agenda" – "NACAC does not have a preferred path." "This relationship is deeply broken."

This board is admitting change is hard. Tackling this deep divide is hard. Angel is not on the committee, does not influence decisions

"Honor the past, but focus on the future"

"I hear you. I understand it is hard to sit in ambiguity"

In advance of Delegate meeting:

We need a timeline to be determined

Casual mentioning of "chapters"? Should that be in consideration? All Presidents in the class strongly opposed that conversation.

Structure is needed tomorrow.

Not just "what is the role of the delegate?" but what is the standing of the affiliate and NACAC relationship?

Does the delegate role become an educational role

Delegate's roles in other ACACs:

Created a project list - delegates took on roles to complete, and to collaborate with committees

Imagine Grant committee

Review of scholarship and grants

Lead the SIGs

Delegates serve as committee chairs

Represent particular counties/areas of the state - voice of the state

Unfinished Business

New Business

A. Scholarship Changes

Needs more volunteers

Thinking of revising the model for Scholarships

Updating the application

Make larger focus to awarding to lower income students

Streamline the evaluation process

How about making it renewable?

Give more money and have it Renewable? Retention?

*Add it to the Strategic Plan

This year's change will be need-based only

Kelly Dutmers

B. Innovation Fund**Erin Updegraff**

How do we identify what to do with the surplus and how to request it
The committee would meet to approve where the funds go
Can't spend the whole surplus in 1 year
How do we get the proposals? We did do this a few years ago
New fiscal policy created the Innovation Committee
Past Treasurer will chair this committee

C. AP/Ethics Changes**Shawn Wochner**

Congrats to Shawn for his change to Marian Catholic!
AP has been absent for a few years. No direct mission or what they were supposed to do?
No longer in the business of monitoring and compliance
Attend the NACAC affiliate AP calls where they have received zero guidance
They went to the Presidents- Sumer 2021 started to have conversations:
 Changing the name of the committee?
 Disbanding the AP (Admissions Practice) committee?
Meeting 2 weeks ago they were given direction on being the educational guidance for their affiliate
They will remain as a standing committee but possibly change the name- add education to it?
Take away terms- currently have 3-year term with option of reviewing for another 3 years
They want to move forward with being an education piece and get involved with committees

D. Equity and Access

Need to help Equity and Access work on their mission and get a co-chair-for next meeting

Committee updates**Committees/Chairs**

IAS-is going to look to do a White Supremacy in High Ed again this year, hoping to launch an open dialogue forum for members to talk about

District Seminars- don't know if they should go virtual or in-person, hybrid? Prequal to conference

Equity and Access- needs a co-chair, have not made much progress

Updates

Celebrate on Friday- IACAC and Elevate are Rising Award Winners right before the opening speaker
5 straight years of IACAC winning NACAC Rising Award Winners!

Call for Adjournment (T. Minestra)

B. Hodges motioned to adjourn; D. Brinkley seconded.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Josephine West, IACAC Secretary.

Membership

Members: Maddie, Josh, Chrissy

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

We just had a meeting this past week to talk about communicating the new membership model.

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

Our next meeting is Nov. 4th where we will be talking about outreach to people who have not renewed.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Grow our membership back to pre-COVID numbers.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

We are just trying to communicate the new model and looking at what we need to do for follow-up this fall.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

I think we are okay right now. We are in the process of reaching out to past members.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

Not at the moment.

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!

Erin has been awesome at getting everything behind the scenes and communication-wise together for the new membership model.

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

Tony, Brian, Erin, Linda, Donna -- we need to talk about how to do the roll out of "adding" their renewal of their IACAC membership for next year to the conference registration.

Transfer Advisory Committee

Members: Kristin Smigielski, April Ponte, Nick DeFalco

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

We meet Sept. 21st and will do a recap of 2020-2021 and start talking more about our subcommittees.

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

We need to figure out Transfer Summit--that's probably going to be the majority of our conversation this fall.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Make sure all committee members are actively engaging and helping the committee.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Transfer Summit---probably just guidance/advice once we have a plan in place.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

No, I think we are all good.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

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Retiree Committee

Members: BC Juettner, Kathy Holmberg

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

During the pandemic we have chosen not to meet to keep our members safe. We did have a Zoom cocktail hour with our retiree members a few months back.

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

None at the moment

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

We hope that once it is safe to gather in person again, we will go back to having two informational meeting for our retirees, a social event, and a session at the annual conference if it is held in person.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

None at the moment

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

Rob Engleman has stepped down as a tri-chair and we were told someone might be interested in replacing him but never heard if this happened or not.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

No

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!:

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

Summer Tours

Members: Kara Dollaske, Paul Lichtenheld, Sarah McDougal

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

The committee met last month and has been in subsequent conversations trying to lock down dates for both the Plane O' Fun and Micro Tours for the summer of 2022. Committee chairs have also started contacting prospective schools to participate. We are also considering a Bike tour or Bike-ro tour option(s).

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

Still trying to lock down dates, including potentially moving the Plane trip from a Sunday through Friday schedule to a Monday through Saturday schedule. We're also trying to gauge the interest of Gonzaga toward being on the trip as that will dictate our flight destination.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Given the continued uncertainty regarding Covid and travel restrictions, we may consider putting off registration until later than usual. This also includes developing a back up plan of taking a bus and not plane trip should we need to pivot late in the planning process. Unofficially, interest appears to be very high among our usual attendees for this year's trip.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

At this point, we need to get confirmation from our proposed college partners that they are on board, willing to host us, and can assist us with our expenses. We've got it covered, but thanks.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

We have a very finite number of committee members due to specify roles while on these trips. We recruit certain individuals from previous trips to serve once they have demonstrated leadership and willingness to volunteer before being prompted. We are fully staffed at this point.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

N/A

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!

This is the greatest assembly of IACAC servants since the days of Kaz running the show. How could we pick just one? :-)

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

Thank you for supporting our request to reinstate the \$8000 grant we were granted pre-Covid! We will return any portion that is not used to the IACAC general fund.

Mentorship

Members: Kevin Coy, Jill Homerding, Lisa Winker

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

Co-Chairs just met on Sept. 7 to discuss roles and responsibilities, due to Margaret Jones stepping down & the addition of new Co-Chair, Jill Homerding

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

Meeting 1: September 29th @ 10-11:30 CT via Zoom

Meeting 2: November 9th, 12:30PM-2PM @ Homewood-Flossmoor HS

Meeting 3: January 20th, 10-11:30AM and 12-1PM (FB Live Event) @ Virtual/Zoom

Meeting 4: April 6th, 1-2:30PM @ Augie Regional Headquarters

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

MeetUp Collabs with other committees &/or CBO's, Include IACAC serves to do service within a couple MeetUps, to continue IACAC reads (via Kelly Dutmers), Construct a couple virtual MeetUps, include MeetUps throughout the state a few times a year, Match all mentees with mentors

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

1st in-person MeetUp (TBA soon) & FB Live on Jan. 20, 2022

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

We can always add more people to be mentors on all sides of the desk.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

Not at this time

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Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

Scholarship

Members: Lauren Yates, Jamie Newsome, Chris Merle

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

Changes to Scholarship format and evaluation process

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

Plan to meet after Seattle Meeting- Continued Evaluation and Changes being made to the current Scholarship Model

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

To establish a plan and begin executing needed changes to how we distribute and evaluate our High School Scholarship

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Same as above- and yes!

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

We will need a call for volunteers, but in changing the model, we do not know what that will look like at the moment

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

We will need to update the scholarship page with Erin once we edit the current year process

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!

Tony- you have started this ball rolling with us and having your oversight through this is helping tremendously as we navigate to provide a more meaningful impact for students across the state

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

None I can think of!

Illinois College Fair

Members: Sue Fowler, Anna Schuh, Omar Solomon

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

- Fall Committee Meeting (8/5/21) - committee expectations, IRCF calendar, facilitator management, virtual college fair, academic year timeline, assigned ICF liasions

- IACAC 6x6 Schedule Meeting (9/3/21) - sub-committee met to make assignments for virtual 6x6 fair

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

November 18th - fall ICF reviews, spring ICF liasion duties, survey updates (from fall fairs)

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Review college fair guidelines/policies and fair definitions; Review IACAC Leadership Manual to make sure it is correct/being followed

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Ongoing college fairs - no help needed

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

We are okay on numbers

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

No, Erin manages calendar updates/emails

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!:

Linda Haffner and Erin Hoover have been a huge help - thank you for continued support, advice, and assistance with questions, updates, and committee needs

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

New Counselor Institute

Members: Kenneth Guthrie, Rebeca Hernandez-Espinoza, Maira Rodriguez

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

Our committee meets monthly. We're so excited that we have 84 participants in New Counselor Institute. Our September NCI Session on Fall Travel was a success!

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

October 6th: Prep for NCI Financial Aid Session

November 3rd: Prep for NCI Application Review Session

December 8th: Prep for NCI Meet Up Opportunity

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Continue to be a resource for our NCI participants as they navigate their first year in this field.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

October's NCI Session (10/12/21) - the topic is Navigating Financial Aid. At this time, we should be good. Thanks!

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

Not at this time.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

Erin is the best and has set us up with a Zoom account for New Counselor Institute since most of our programming is virtual.

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!

Erin and Linda are rockstars!! We are so thankful for them! They managed the NCI registration process and did all the marketing for the program. We reached our participation goal and we are so excited to have 84 participants in NCI!

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

What do you need from us to officially change our committee name to New Counselor Institute? Thank you for all you do!

Admission Practices

Members: Shawn Wochner, David Boyle, and Allegra Giulietti-Schmitt

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

We met with the President's Cycle last week and now have a clear direction of where we will be taking this committee in the post compliance era.

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

The co-chairs will meet later this month to finalize committee make up as well as strategically plan what we can accomplish this year while planning for the bigger picture.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Our primary goal for the year has already been achieved, we've found our purpose and defined our mission. Now we will begin to plan how we will be the education arm of the association.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

This will be answered at our co-chairs meeting but we would like to reactivate our committee and figure out where we can present information on the new NACAC Guide.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

I don't think we will need any new members this year, but we may be looking to expand the committee in the future.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

We will update our mission statement and purpose on the website once we meet.

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!

We appreciate the guidance and assistance from the President's Cycle and our liaison Angie Cooksey.

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

Government Relations

Members: Mary Alice Berg (completing form), Emily Tabeek, Luis Narvaez

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

Two out of three chairs and Paul met recently to select a fall meeting date and discuss David Boyle's email regarding Illinois State Scholars award still requiring test scores. Mary Alice will work on a draft of an email to ISAC suggesting that they consider a test free option for this award. We will share with David, Presidents and GRC chairs for review moving forward.

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

We are planning a committee meeting for October - still waiting for confirmation on date from our last GRC chair.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

We look forward to returning to an in person Advocacy Day (tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, February 16th) and will continue to look for opportunities to collaborate with ISCA.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Our next big event/action item will be Advocacy Day in February but until then we will be monitoring the fall Illinois legislative session for education related activity as well as keeping an idea on federal items that may be of interest to IACAC.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

After our first committee meeting we will have a better handle on our committee size and if we need more folks.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

We do not have any digital needs right now.

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!:

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

HB1719 passed the IL House and Senate on 7/30/21 - It replace the terms "school guidance counselor" and "guidance counselor" with the term "school counselor". ISCA and IACAC completed witness slips for this bill and both groups are thrilled that it passed!

Middle Management Institute

Members: Wendy Downing, Ashley Brown, Robert Olivieri

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

We've recently finalized our last co-chair, and we co-chairs met last week to discuss moving forward. We are in the process of finalizing our committee for the upcoming year, and then we'll begin planning for MMI 2022.

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

Exact meeting date TBD. We plan to start discussing locations/dates for MMI 2022. We are planning to be in person, and we will revisit virtual/in person in January.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

No new initiatives currently other than planning for the upcoming event.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Our big event is Middle Management Institute 2022, tentatively planned in mid-June. No, we don't need leadership assistance at this time.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

Based on last year's committee and volunteers from this summer's MMI, we should have a great committee this year. We are reaching out to individuals this week.

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

Yes, can we remove the MMI dates on the web page and say more information on 2022 coming soon. We will share as soon as we have dates and more info.

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!:

Robert Olivieri is a great addition as an MMI co-chair! He served on our committee this past year, and we're excited to have him in this role.

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

Chicago National College Fair Committee

Members: Scott Carlson, Rejeannda Robinson, Jennifer Stroh

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

No Updates - Virtual for Fall NACAC, waiting on information for Spring

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

No Updates - Virtual for Fall NACAC, waiting on information for Spring

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

No Updates - Virtual for Fall NACAC, waiting on information for Spring

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Hoping to be in-person for Spring, so will need help with advertising once we receive the announcement

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

As of right now no, but if in person for Spring we will need volunteers/committee members

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

No

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Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

Media Communications

Members: Traci Flowers and Luis Alarcon

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

First committee meeting scheduled September 15 - no members could attend, will reschedule ASAP

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

n/a - future meetings will be set shortly.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Maintain/increase participation in the new IACAC Membership Portal/Forum

Increase social media presence on our accounts (FB, IG, Twitter)

Increase readership and increase member submission to the Admission Essay

Establish rules of engagement on Forums - work in progress

Increase Additional communication from committees - including but not limited to - admission essay articles and membership spotlights.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

n/a

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

Area of future focus: Continue to partner with government relations to maintain consistent communication with local state and federal legislators educating all on the issues surrounding student access, funding, counselor training, as well as the importance of college counseling within our schools.

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n/a

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How do we engage membership in the membership platform/forum? Questions are often left unanswered. if the IACAC board could be mindful of members post and if no one answers- maybe provide guidance in the right direction so no member is left with no responses from the forum. Since the platform is still new - hopeful that all leadership could be mindful of responses that go unanswered. we will look to address this as a committee in the future.

Professional Connections

Members: Kathryn Hankamp, Lisa Steve, Meghan Chrum

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

We met for our first meeting in early September to meet new committee members and discuss our three goals.

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Goal 1: Professional Collaboration

We want to collaborate with other organizations to establish working relationships, creating more connections with high school counselors and college admissions representatives throughout the state with the hope of improving collaboration and leadership within IACAC from the entire state.

Goal 2: Graduate Program Outreach

Reach out to graduate school counseling and admissions programs in Illinois to introduce and explain the benefits of being an IACAC member, and to discuss the importance of postsecondary counseling in graduate program curriculum.

Goal 3: Speaker's Bureau

The Speaker's Bureau houses a form on the IACAC website whereby members and non-members needing live speakers (either virtual or in-person) can make requests and then receive speaker contact information. We also partner with StriveScan to link to their library of recorded presentations.

In addition to these three goals we will be continuing the counselor challenge to award deserving, underrepresented counselors with the opportunity to attend conference and join IACAC.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Counselor Challenge which will take place in the spring

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

We are all set

Does your committee have digital needs right now? Webpage? Communication? If so, please share:

no

Bonus Question - Shout out any of your outstanding Committee members here! Who's doing amazing work, and who deserves IACAC wide recognition?!:

HSCPD

Members: Andrea Rusk, Amy Herbert, Erinn Murphy

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

September Meeting - Back to school, 4 Camp plans for the year, brainstorm speakers for October event (Supporting Special Populations) 16 members attended

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

none

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

4 events (Virtual Counselor Camps) planned

October - Supporting Special Populations

December - Partnerships

February - Tech Tools

May - Temperature Check (In person?!)

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Oct 6 Camp - just reminders through portal/Erin Hoover magic

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

We are good - always happy to have new members/voices

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We are good - Erin is amazing!

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Lauren Yates; always present, always engaged, always ready to help/participate!

Chance for open response...please share any thoughts/changes/advice/perspective here that we might have missed!

All is well! Thanks!

College Awareness and Preparation

Members: Faye Ikner, David Hess, Melissa Ramirez

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

College Navigators- Debrief from summer 2021 program

College Explorers- tentative lunch in the end of Fall 2021/Spring 2022

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

Monthly meetings during the second week.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

We are discussing the possibility of returning our events to in-person for the Summer 2022. We don't have more information yet, but will prepare for both scenarios in person or virtual.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Not at this time.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

Not at this time.

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N/A

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District Seminar

Members: Sarah Hartman, Josie Blasdel, Matt Sheahan, Rebecca Popelka

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

Discussed pros/cons of virtual vs. in-person. Possible host sites if we can do in-person. If we do virtual how do we want to do this, all in one week? Once a week we feature a certain district? More thoughts to come!

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

We will meet again in October after the Exec Board meeting.

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

Have a successful District Seminar! Our hope is to at least have all of our dates/times and topics figured out by December so that save the date info can go out in January.

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

Josie is going to talk to the Exec Board to see how we should proceed regarding virtual DS for Spring.

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

We are always looking for volunteers to help out with individual district committees. Feel free to send interested volunteers our way!

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Inclusion Access and Success

Members: Sara Espinosa, Diana Mondragon, Chevonne Totten-Garner, Scott Hillman

Committee Meetings Completed Recently - Recap Topics Covered:

n/a

Planned Committee Meetings Upcoming - Any Hot Topics on the Agenda?

10/8, will discuss programming for 2021-22 year

Committee Longer-Term Goals for the Year Ahead:

establishing programming and working groups based on area of interest

What's the next big event/action item on your committee's radar - do you need IACAC leadership help?

potentially working on an event series that we may want participation from IACAC leadership

Committee Roster Situation - Do you need more voices/volunteers on the team? If so, how can IACAC leadership help with this?

we do not

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we do not

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