Western Association of Financial Aid Administrators

NAFAA Business Meeting Minutes

John Ascuaga’s Nugget - Reno, NV
April 2, 2006

1. President Baker called the meeting to order - 10:05am

2. Approval of Agenda
   Christina Twelve’s move to approve the agenda. Tina Holcomb seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from November 9, 2005 - Business Meeting
   Minutes will be emailed to membership in April and on the agenda for approval at the next business meeting in November at the Nafaa conference. Any corrections should be submitted to Shawn Claxton.

4. Treasure’s Report - Jake Elsen
   Jake stated that the financial state of our organization is very strong. Organizations in other states in the region have a reserve account. Christina Twelve’s will work with Jake on instituting a reserve account for Nafaa.
   Ending balance for March 31, 2006 - $21,391.56.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Bylaws - changes to the bylaws would allow changes to be made quicker. Changing the dues structure is a possibility. Wasfaa is also reviewing the structure of dues. Pros to changing dues - membership would increase; Cons to changing dues - an increased number of the membership would be needed to change the bylaws. The question was raised, if there should be a member cap per institution.

Conference

Scholarships - Scholarships were awarded
Nafaa awarded Scott Nielson from GBC and Molly Orheim from TMCC
Wasfaa awarded Diane Van Wee of Le Cordon Bleu
The next scholarship will be awarded to Summer Institute 2006

Nominations and Elections - 1/3 of the membership voted during the past election. It was recommended that the election committee think of ways to increase voting. The president-elect will make sure that elections are conducted in a timely fashion.

Technology - This individual will keep information updated for the Nafaa webpage. They will also be responsible for sending information to our web service provider.

6. Update Incorporation Plans
   Jake is working with a Las Vegas attorney on the incorporation plans. The end of summer 2006 is the target date for completion.
7. **New Banner**
The new banner for Nafaa was unveiled.

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8. **2006 Conference**
2006 Conference will be held in Las Vegas, NV @ the Suncoast Hotel. Tina Holcomb and Heather Lester will co-chair the conference. Committee chairs are still for various committees. Currently we Nafaa 9 standing committees, 4 are inactive. Volunteers to serve on committees are need. A list of those who have already volunteered will be available in the next couple of weeks.

9. **Outgoing President and Officers**
The meeting was turned over to incoming President, Christina Twelve’s. Christina thanked President Renee Baker for her contributions to Nafaa. Renee was presented with a picture collection of Nafaa and Wasfaa.

10. **Preliminary Goals**
Incoming Chair Twelve’s provided the following preliminary Goals for 2006-07
- Nafaa History 101: Where have we been? Where are we? Where are we going?
- Foster camaraderie amongst the NAFAA Membership
  - How? With the help of ideas of everyone
  - Luncheons, pre-training socials
  - Newsletter: Content?
- *Early Awareness Community Project.* Work with one Northern and one Southern elementary school to educate students that going to college is important and attainable
  - Theme
  - Current Publications available
  - Piggy banks: Saving for College
- Collaborate with our regional and national organizations, Wasfaa and Nasfaa, to become more active in legislative issues

11. **Adjournment**
Tina Holcomb moved to adjourn the meeting. Sue Stokes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.