# SASFAA Update

EARTH'S MIGHTIEST HEROES

Michael D. Morgan, 2022-23 SASFAA President Celena Tulloss, 2020-22 SASFAA President Daniel T. Barkowitz, 2023-24 SASFAA President

Spring Conference



### Who is SASFAA?



- SASFAA is the preeminent regional association of financial aid administrators
- We represent employees and colleges and universities, technical schools, and business partners who work and/or live in the region
- We have more than 1300 members
- We are proud of our 9 states and the geographic region that we represent



## Welcome from SASFAA Executive Board

- Your SASFAA Board is made up of representatives from all of our 9 states
- Elected officers and voting members include:
  - o President
  - o Past-President
  - o President-Elect
  - o VP of Training
  - o Secretary
  - o Treasurer
  - o 9 State Presidents
- Appointed committee chairs and leadership of any special task-force make up the rest of our board





### 2023 SASFAA Conference

### CONFERENCE CHAIR STEPHANIE MILLER

Welcome to the SASFAA 60th Conference in beautiful Chattanooga, Tennessee!

The Conference Committee and SASFAA Board hope you have had safe travels and





#### Justin Draeger, President & CEO, NASFAA

Justin is president and CEO of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. He serves as the primary voice of NASFAA and as the liaison between the association members, the U.S. Congress, federal agencies and the media. Most of Justin's career has been devoted to assisting disadvantaged populations achieve their educational goals and better their communities. Since 2002, Justin has been engaged in either administering, interpreting, communicating, or



### Dana Kelly, VP of Professional Development & Institutional Compliance, NASFAA

Dana Kelly currently serves as the Vice President of Professional Development and Institutional Compliance for the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA). In this role she oversees all products and services assigned to the Training and Regulatory Assistance and Certification and Credentialing departments, supervises DC-based and remote training staff, manages the annual Leadership & Legislative Conference &

### Arva Thomas, Training Officer, FSA Training and Information Services Group, Federal Student Aid

Before joining Federal Student Aid's (FSA) Training and Information Services Group in 2020, Arva Thomas held various positions throughout FSA working with students, schools, and federal, state, and local stakeholders for more than 20 years. She spent 10 of those years working with FSA's Program Compliance team conducting program reviews, resolving deficient audits, processing recertifications, changes in ownership and mergers, and providing training and technical assistance to schools before she bean



### Brad Barnett, MS, AFC®, CPFM, FAAC®, NASFAA National Chair

Brad Barnett is an Accredited Financial Counselor, Certified Personal Financial Manager, and Certified Financial Aid Administrator who works as the Associate Vice President for Access and Enrollment Management/Director of Financial Aid & Scholarships at James Madison University. Closing in on three decades of experience in the financial aid profession, Brad has been active in state, regional, and national financial aid associations as a presenter, committee







### Raised \$5000





# Caroline's Cause

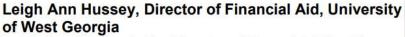
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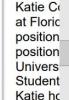


### 2023 SASFAA Elections



Leigh Ann Hussey is the Director of Financial Aid at the University of West Georgia and currently serves as SASFAA's Vice President. She received both a Bachelor's

Katie Conrad, Sr. Associate Director of Financial Aid, Florida International University



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Education arding experiences in my thirty two years of working in the Certarricular SASFAA, is the group of friends I have made in ession. Not only have I made friends, I have also gained s, mentors and mentees. I have learned so much by es and boards and attending workshops and conferences. e tag on the ability to pick up the phone, text or email about a pressing question or regulation interpretation. s provided by SASFAA must always be cost-effective and irer's role to ensure our members receive the best training breaking the bank in the process. I have served on boards

es and know first -hand how our association can thrive











# June 4-9, 2023 Wofford College Spartanburg, SC









### 2023-24 SASFAA Plans

- Monthly webinar series will begin in July with topical and current information for all regarding FAFSA Simplification changes and other important news.
- Regular updates via email as we hear from our Federal and NASFAA partners
- In person Fall Workshop in October focused on Enrollment
  Management and Leadership in a time of tumultuous change in
  our profession
- Annual conference from February 25 to 28, 2024 at the Wyndham Grand Orlando Resort Bonnet Creek which is conveniently located on Walt Disney World property near Lake Buena Vista.
- Many other surprises and exciting events to come in our SASFAA 2023-24 year!





# Join us!

- Annual dues are only \$35 and will enable you to be a part of our online training events at no additional cost
- If you are interested in volunteering to help on a committee, look for our call for volunteers coming in early July!
- SASFAA looks forward to being your connection point between your state association and our national profession
- There is lots of change coming, but never forget...

TOGETHER, WE MAKE DREAMS COME TRUE...