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A message from our President

Rhonda Bryant

Dear KASFAA Colleagues!

Spring is a time for new beginnings, renewed hope for the future, and finally, an in-person KASFAA Conference! We invite you to join us in recognizing “Not All Heroes Wear Capes” April 13-15 at the Clarion in Lexington. Beth Mitchell and Roxanne Lewis, Program Co-Chairs, and Program Committee members, have been working hard on our spring conference. There will be many opportunities for training and professional development and time to become reacquainted with old friends and discover new ones. Be sure to go online to www.kasfaa.com for more information and register for the conference!

Members of the Training Committee are to be commended for their determined efforts to fulfill the training needs of our association at every level of experience! They have utilized both virtual and in-person formats to provide guidance on pertinent topics. They have succeeded in engaging current and attracting new members. Thank you for your efforts!

Vendor Sponsors deserve our gratitude for their continued support of KASFAA during the past two years! Please remember to visit the Vendor Sponsor while you are at the conference to chat with them.

The Nominations Committee did a great job selecting this year’s slate of candidates! The board appreciates the nominees’ willingness to run for office. I encourage all members to exercise their right to vote when the polls open.

I have enjoyed many opportunities to serve the association in various roles throughout my career. This service has rewarded me both personally and professionally. Please consider serving KASFAA next year by completing a volunteer form on KASFAA’s website. Volunteering is a truly gratifying experience.

I look forward to seeing you in Lexington!

All the best,

Rhonda Bryant
KASFAA PRESIDENT 21-22

upcoming events

April 13 – 15

KASFAA Spring Conference
Clarion Hotel, Lexington

May 12

Doing a hand calculation
Virtual Webinar

June 1 – 3

KASFAA Board Meeting/
Transition Meeting
General Butler State Park
Carrollton

From the editor

We encourage letters to the editor, original articles, photographs, announcements and reports. Items of interest are gladly accepted and can be given to any member of the newsletter committee:

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NASFAA U's Returning!

Sandy Neel
Vice President for Training

When the pandemic hit in the spring of 2019 and everything shut down, so did our ability to offer NASFAA U sessions to our membership. NASFAA requires the NASFAA U session to be taught live and in-person. We were able to teach one NASFAA U this past fall when we hosted a live one-day New Aid Officer's Workshop which was very successful!

Thankfully, this spring, at the KASFAA Conference, NASFAA U's are returning!

There are four NASFAA U credential pre-conference sessions being taught for the low price of \$30 per session. You have the opportunity to register for two of those sessions. The NASFAA U sessions are all on Wednesday, April 13th, 2022.

Beginning at 9:00 AM and running until 11:00 AM, the morning offerings include:

- **SAP** taught by Theresa Lowder, Berea College and Daniel Donner, Pikeville College
- **Student Eligibility** taught by Mark Messingschlager, Thomas More College and Sean Campbell, Spalding University

Afternoon sessions run from 12:30 PM until 2:30 PM and include:

- **R2T4** taught by Keith Clark, Jefferson Community and Technical College
- **Professional Judgment** taught by Runan Evans, Bluegrass Community and Technical College and April Tretter, Bellarmine University

An IMPORTANT reminder!

All Pre-Conference and New Aid Workshop attendees must bring their NASFAA ID to sign in to the sessions. You can find your NASFAA Individual ID by logging into the NASFAA website, www.nasfaa.org, and you will see your "Individual ID" in the myNASFAA profile section.

We look forward to seeing you at the Spring Conference and enjoying these NASFAA U opportunities!

In addition to the NASFAA U credential sessions, we will be hosting our New Aid Workshop. If you are new to the financial aid profession, you will not want to miss this opportunity to gain some knowledge on financial aid by seasoned professionals. In addition to various topics that are important to know as a new aid administrator, participants will have the opportunity to sit in on a NASFAA U course on The Application Process free of charge and prepare to take the credentialed test.

The New Aid Workshop runs from 8 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. with lunch provided. Beth Mekus, University of Kentucky, has put together an excellent training day!

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University of Kentucky Financial Aid Office Announcements:

PROMOTIONS:

Laura Beth Peters was recently promoted from FA (Financial Aid) Counselor to Assistant Director of Verification and Eligibility. Laura Beth has been a FA Counselor since 2019 and worked in Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority's verification unit prior to UK. She is also pursuing a BA in Liberal Studies. Congrats LB!

David Taylor has been promoted from Federal Work-Study Program Liaison to FA Counselor. David joined OSFAS 3 years ago. He is a UK grad and is currently working on a MA in Counseling degree. David is looking forward to training his FWS Liaison replacement!

Cole Grannis has been promoted to Assistant Director of Compliance and Athletic Aid. Cole joined the staff almost 9 years ago and has served as Pell Grant Coordinator and R2T4 Coordinator. He cares deeply about students and makes sure we do our best for them. His colleagues agree that he was born to be a FAA. Congratulations Cole!

NEW ADDITIONS:

Denzel Patterson and **Chassidy Rice** will begin their new positions as FA Counselors on January 24th. Denzel is currently pursuing his undergraduate degree at UK in Community Leadership and Development with a minor in vocal performance. He also speaks Spanish! He comes to us from the Graham Office of Career Management in Gatton B&E. He shared that he is "looking forward to being a FA counselor because I want to connect more with students having that one-on-one interaction; and represent as a counselor that can relate and is here to help in the best way possible."

Chassidy Rice is a lifelong Kentuckian originally from Whitesburg. She holds a UK bachelor's degrees in both History and Sociology; and is currently working on her Master of Arts in Teaching through the University of the Cumberlands. Chassidy has worked in Financial Planning at Sullivan University for almost 5 years. She

said, "I love working with students and helping them achieve their dreams and goals of higher education."

Mollie Nave began her role as FA Counselor on January 5th. She graduated from UK in December 2021 with a Bachelor of Science in Information Communication Technology and a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management. Before financial aid, she worked as a student employee for transformative learning as a desk attendant for The Study! Mollie shared, "I am so excited to be a part of the financial aid team! I have a passion for helping students succeed, and I am so grateful I can help students reach their higher education goals through financial aid." Welcome, Mollie!

RETIREMENTS:

Sherry Rowe retired in February after 30 years in financial aid. Sherry's first served as a receptionist but quickly moved on to the data entry area, then counselor, verification specialist, counselor in College of Medicine Financial Aid, then back to the main campus as a counselor. Sherry helped countless students and trained numerous colleagues over the years. She will be remembered for her dedication, patience and love of chocolate!

Janet Graham Jones retired in February after 38 years in financial aid. Janet served in various roles over her tenure, coordinating the SAP process for over 20 years. She had a keen eye for identifying student workers who would work well in our office. Janet was our office's world traveler. It was hard to name a place she had not visited. We will miss her tales of adventure (and misadventure) in far-flung places.

KASFAA's Day at the Capitol

Erin Klarer — Government Relations Committee

KASFAA Day at the Capitol was a great success with members meeting with elected officials and catching some of the day's legislative action. Erin Klarer, Vice President of Government Relations for KHEAA, was delighted to play tour guide after the COVID-19 pandemic kept everyone at home and online last year. Joining the group were several staff members from KHEAA and advocates from the Kentucky Smart on Crime Coalition.



Left: Kevin Lamb, Sandy Neel, Stephany Blaney, Bob Fultz, Michelle Standridge and Charles Aull. Right: Erin Klarer, Toni Wiley, Shelton McElroy, Amanda Hall and Alaina Combs.

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The Kentucky Lottery wants to take a moment to thank student financial aid advisors for all the hard work you do to help students each and every day!

We need your help!

The Kentucky Lottery is looking for students who receive a lottery-funded scholarship or grant* who wouldn't be able to attend school without it. We'd love to share their story of how the scholarship/grant is making a difference in their life.

Do you know someone? Please email Sara.Westerman@kylottery.com. Thank you!

*KEES, CAP, KTG, Dual Credit Scholarship and Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship



Representative James Tipton, Chair of the House Budget Review Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education, shared with the group his concerns about the future of KY Lottery Revenues and the demands of the state scholarship programs for the future. He has proposed House Concurrent Resolution 54 establishing a Lottery Trust Fund Task Force to discuss trends and funding needs with various policymakers and stakeholders. He also shared his concerns about the toll the COVID-19 pandemic has had on students at all grade levels. KASFAA and KHEAA staff shared their recent experiences dealing with students and parents filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Senate Education Chairman Max Wise also joined the group to discuss Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) legislation. Numerous bills have been circulating for several years involving expanding the program either to students or schools that are not currently participating or

who are prohibited from utilizing their awards. As a former admissions counselor and current college professor, Senator Wise expressed his understanding of how important it is for financial aid to work together with other aspects of higher education policy.

The group also had a meaningful conversation with Senate President Pro Tempore, David Givens, regarding removing barriers to educational opportunities for people that have either been convicted of felonies or are currently incarcerated, as addressed in Senate Bill 163. Senator Givens is keen to understand the mechanics behind KEES, the College Access Program (CAP) grant, and the Kentucky Tuition Grant (KTG) and encouraged those advocating for second chances to continue to tell their transformational educational stories.

Thank you to everyone that participated, and we look forward to doing it again next year!

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Spring Conference Charity

Submitted by Audrey Price, Charity Committee

CASA advocates are unique. Unlike lawyers and social workers, who are required to consider the parents' or family's interests, the CASA advocate focuses solely on what is best for the child(ren). Often throughout the child's case, the foster parents, social workers, schools, towns, and everything else in the child's life will change many times due to placement. One of the goals of CASA is to minimize these changes, both by providing continual monitoring and advocacy for the child and by being a stable and constant person in this child's life.



CASA advocates are everyday people with a passion for helping children. Our CASA advocates are appointed by judges and trained to advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children. CASA advocates stay involved with each child until that child is placed in a safe, permanent home. For many of these children, the CASA advocate is the one constant adult presence in their lives.

There are several (easy) ways you can help!

1. Donate your time and talent by joining the charity committee and
 - Work a shift (or two) at the charity table selling raffle tickets
 - Assist with collection and organization of raffle and silent auction donations
 - Contact businesses and organizations for donations for raffle or silent auction
 - Email [Audrey Price, acprice@campbellsville.edu](mailto:AudreyPrice@campbellsville.edu) to join the committee
2. Donate money to CASA of Lexington by:
 - Donating prior to the conference through PayPal (More info to come)
 - FIFTEEN tickets for every \$10 donated by April 1st (Pick up your raffle tickets at registration)
 - Donate at the conference in exchange for raffle tickets
 - 1 ticket for \$1, 6 tickets for \$5
3. Donate items or themed baskets to be raffled during the conference
4. Donate items or baskets for silent auction
5. Donate requested items below from the list provided by CASA of Lexington. (2 raffle tickets per item) Items can be dropped off at the charity table during the conference.
 - Reams of 8.5 x 11 white copy paper
 - Rolls of Paper Towels
 - Toilet Paper
 - Tall Kitchen Drawstring Trash Bags
 - Napkins
 - Boxes of Tissues
 - Liquid Hand Soap Refills
 - Disinfecting Wipes
 - Any new children's toys
6. Donate items through Amazon Wish List and forward the confirmation page to acprice@campbellsville.edu. Pick up three tickets per item donated at the charity table during the conference.
7. Purchase bingo cards during the social on Thursday night!

I look forward to working with everyone to raise money for a great cause. Talk to you soon!

KASFAA Election

April Tretter, Nominations

SLATE OF CANDIDATES

Thank you to all the candidates that volunteered to serve our organization.

Below is the slate of candidates for 2022-2023.

President Elect – Michelle Standridge

Vice President of Training - Stephany Blaney and Sarah Cowan

Secretary - Lindsay Driskell and Amy Smith

2- Year Public Representative – Christina Bowen

Proprietary School Representative – Hazel Baker

KASFAA election polls will open on April 7th, 2022 at 12:00 AM and close on April 14th, 2022 at 4:00 PM.

PRESIDENT ELECT

Michelle Standridge

EDUCATION:

Bachelors of Art, University of Louisville; Bachelors of Science in Accounting, Spalding University; Master of Science in Business Communication, Spalding University



STANDRIDGE

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Director of Financial Aid: 2015 – Present, Spalding University; Financial Aid Counselor: 2010-2015, Spalding University; Enrollment Services Coordinator: 2009-2010, Spalding University

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Member since 2010; High School Counselor Workshop Chair 2013-2015; Diversity Chair 2015-2016; Treasurer 2017 – 2019; Recipient 2011 KASFAA Professional Development Scholarship; NASFAA U Presenter (Student Eligibility, Cash Management); Conference Presenter; KET Call-In Show Phone Team 2018; President Elect 2018-2019; President 2020-2021; Past President 2021-2022

SASFAA SERVICE:

Member since 2010; Program Committee Member 2018-2019 and 2021-2022; Global Issues committee member 2015-2016

NASFAA CREDENTIALS:

Administrative Capability; Campus-based Programs; Cash Management; Consumer Information; Cost of Attendance; Federal Pell Grant and IASG; Packaging and Notification of Awards; Professional Judgment; Return to Title IV; Student Eligibility

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am honored to accept the nomination for the position of KASFAA President-Elect. I am thankful for the opportunity that would allow me to serve KASFAA at this level for a second time. In 2019, when I accepted the nomination for President Elect for the first time, I never could have imagined what was to come. COVID-19 brought a new remote world that presented challenges that I hope we will never face again. I seek the opportunity to lead KASFAA through a time that is not remote and would allow me for the continued rebuilding of our community and the supporting learning opportunities that allow us all to better serve the students and families of Kentucky. When I started in financial aid 13 years ago, I took a leap of faith not having had any experience in the field of financial aid. The KASFAA community assisted in my growth as a professional and confirmed that the decision I had made was the correct one. Thinking back to my first KASFAA conference and the warm, welcoming group of people who made me feel part of a community who cares, I am compelled to ensure that the KASFAA vision and mission are continued for many years to come. The support, guidance and training that I have received through the years from those I now consider mentors and friends is immeasurable and drives my desire to ensure that every person who joins KASFAA feels that sense of community and support.

At Spalding University, we have a high demographic of first generation students so I see on a daily basis that the guidance and support that we can offer to our students truly is life changing. Knowing that we as financial aid professions played a part, no matter how large or small in assisting individuals attain their dream of a degree fuels my passion to serve. I hope through my dedication to serve and my focus on lifelong learning that KASFAA can continue on the amazing trajectory that has been set by so many amazing leaders before me and that it continues to be rich source of information through communication and collaboration. Thank you for the confidence that you have in me and if elected, I promise to serve you and KASFAA to the best of my abilities.

VICE PRESIDENT OF TRAINING

Stephany Blaney

EDUCATION:

Masters of Arts in Organizational Leadership, Western Kentucky University (2021); Certificate in International Student Services, Western Kentucky University (2020); Bachelors of Arts in Child and Family Studies, Business Administration Minor, Berea College (2014)



BLANEY

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Manager of Technology & Communications, Financial Aid, Berea College (2021-present); Coordinator, Technology and Communications, Financial Aid, Berea College (2019-2021) Financial Aid Specialist, Berea College (Dec 2015- Jan 2019); Admissions Counselor, Berea College (2014-2015)

KASFAA SERVICE:

Member since 2016; Outreach/Communications/ Historian/Archivist Committee Chair (2020- present); Diversity Committee (2016-2017)

NASFAA CREDENTIALS:

Administrative Capability; Application Process; Consumer Information; Cost of Attendance; Federal Pell Grants and IASG; Need Analysis; Professional Judgement; Return of Title IV Funds; Satisfactory Academic Progress; Student Eligibility

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am very honored to be nominated for KASFAA Vice President of Training. KASFAA has provided me with mentors, leadership skills, resources, and opportunities to serve the association and students better. My current role has allowed me to lead training and help others develop professionally in the past couple of years. I enjoy learning about ways to improve as individuals and how we can serve others. Supporting others brings me joy, and it is gratifying to see how our training impacts our colleagues and students. Serving in the Vice President of Training position would be such an honor. If elected, I would like to continue elevating the great work our colleague, Sandy Neel, has put so much thought and dedication towards ensuring the membership has opportunities for training across the region. I hope to bring new personal and professional development opportunities for all administrators. Given the past couple of years and the never-ending changes in financial aid, I will strive to meet the training needs our association needs to recharge and excel in the work we do. Thank you for the nomination, and I look forward to continue serving KASFAA!

Sarah Cowan



EDUCATION:

Master of Arts in Higher Education & Student Personnel, University of Mississippi (2015); Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, University of Louisville (2008)

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Galen College of Nursing (2012 – present): Associate Director of Operations (2019 – present), Campus Operations Training Manager (2017 – 2019), Regulatory Affairs Coordinator (2015 – 2017), Financial Aid Manager, Louisville Campus (2014 – 2015), Financial Aid Enrollment/Document Specialist (2012 – 2014); ATA College (2011 – 2012): Financial Aid Advisor (2012 – 2012), Administrative Assistant (2011 – 2012)

KASFAA SERVICE:

Long Range Planning Committee (2020-2021); Fall Conference Chair (2020); Program Committee (2019-2020)

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SASFAA SERVICE:

SASFAA Leadership Symposium (2020-2021)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

It is an honor to be nominated for the position of Vice President of KASFAA. Throughout my career in higher education, my passion has centered around training and professional development. Seeing my colleagues learn and grow in their own careers brings me joy and satisfaction. Watching them take what they have learned and provide an elevated student experience is my driving purpose. Similarly, the training and development I have personally gained from KASFAA has allowed me to become a better advocate for both our students and staff. It would be an honor to support the legacy that KASFAA has set forth through this role. I appreciate your consideration.

SECRETARY**Lindsay Driskell****STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:**

Driskell began her career in higher education as a Financial Aid Assistant at Transylvania University in Lexington in 2004. In 2006, she began working in the Student Financial Aid Office at the University of Louisville as a Financial Aid Advisor. While at UofL, she also worked as a Scholarship Program Manager and an Assistant Director responsible for federal aid packaging, Satisfactory Academic Progress, and the Federal Work Study and Federal Direct Loan programs. She worked at UofL until 2018 when she transitioned into a position of Assistant Director at Bellarmine University where she worked with many different aspects of Financial Aid. Lindsay is currently the Financial Aid Director and Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs at Jefferson Community and Technical College. Driskell served as KASFAA Treasurer for 4 years, KASFAA Secretary for 2 years, and has been an active member of past program committees.

She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Transylvania University in 2004 and her Master's in Higher Education from the University of Kentucky in 2007. I am proud to be a candidate for the position of Secretary of KASFAA in the 2022-2023 election and hope to have the opportunity to continue to serve this organization and the Kentucky Financial Aid community.

**DRISKELL****Amy Smith****SMITH****EDUCATION:**

Master of Science in Conflict Management, Sullivan University (2015); Master of Science in Human Resource Leadership, Sullivan University (2010); Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Leadership, Sullivan University (2004)

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Compliance Officer, Sullivan University (December 2017 – Present); Senior Director of Financial Planning Services, Sullivan University (2015 – 2017); Quality Assurance Specialist, Sullivan University (2014 – 2015); Associate Director of Financial Planning, Sullivan University (2008 – 2014); Financial Planning Coordinator, Sullivan University (2000-2008)

KASFAA SERVICE:

Member Since 2002; Proprietary Sector Representative (2020 – Present); KET Call-in Show (Various Years)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

It is an honor to be nominated for the position of Secretary for KASFAA. I have loved working with everyone at KASFAA. Although I have been a member of KASFAA for over 20 years, I never became really involved until I became the Proprietary Sector Representative. KASFAA is a great network of colleagues where I know I can reach out to them anytime to ask for thoughts and ideas on various financial aid topics. I've enjoyed my time working as the Proprietary Sector Representative and would love the chance to serve in another capacity on the board.

2-YEAR PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE

Christina Bowen

EDUCATION:

Master of Business Administration, Morehead State University (2014); Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership, Northern Kentucky University (2009); Associate in Arts, Hazard Community and Technical College (2007); Associate in Applied Science (Business Administration), Hazard Community and Technical College (2005)



BOWEN

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Director of Financial Aid, Bluegrass Community and Technical College (2020-present); Assistant Director of Scholarships and Financial Aid, Bluegrass Community and Technical College (2017-2019); Financial Aid Coordinator, Bluegrass Community and Technical College (2010-2017)

KASFAA SERVICE:

Website and Technology Committee Chair (2021-2022)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am honored to be nominated for the Two-Year Public School representative. While my service to KASFAA is very new, I have benefited from the hard work of each of the individuals who have served KASFAA and the financial aid community throughout the long history of KASFAA. I have always recognized the importance of KASFAA to support financial aid administrators throughout the state of Kentucky. I am proud to be a member of KASFAA and look forward to serving the association in this role if given the opportunity. If elected into this role, I will be proud to serve those in the two-year public sector with information and concerns unique to our colleges. My entire professional career has been for the KCTCS community at both Bluegrass Community and Technical College and Hazard Community and Technical College serving students in various roles. I know the unique concerns of both my peers and our students and would be proud to serve in this role not only to bring any concerns of our sector, but to encourage participation in KASFAA. Thank you so much for the opportunity and consideration for this role.

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PROPRIETARY SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE

Hazel Baker

EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Science, Psychology,
University of the Cumberlands
(2016); Associate of Arts, ECTC
(2000)

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Financial Aid Manager, Online
Campus, Galen College of Nursing
(April 2017 – Present); Financial Aid
Specialist, Main Campus, Galen College of Nursing
(March 2012 – April 2017); Financial Aid Advisor, ATA
College (April 2008 – February 2012)

SERVICE:

Member of KASFAA, SASFAA, and NASFAA since
2008.



BAKER

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am honored to be nominated for the position of Proprietary School Representative on the KASFAA board. While I have been a member of KASFAA for many years, this would be my first role with the KASFAA board, and I am excited for the opportunity to represent the proprietary school perspective and to meet new colleagues across Kentucky. I will do my best to learn as much as possible from everyone on the board, while asking questions and speaking on behalf of all proprietary schools, and anyone else I can assist along the way. Thank you so much for considering me for this role.

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