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Welcome Agents!

t is with great excitement and anticipation that we welcome you to the Lodge of the Four Seasons and the 2023 MASFAP Conference where we gather as "**Agents of Change**" to shape the future of financial aid in Missouri and beyond.

The financial aid landscape is constantly evolving, and it's our responsibility to be the driving force behind positive change. As "**Agents of Change**", we have the unique opportunity to empower students, institutions, and communities through our collective expertise and dedication to making education accessible to all.

Over the next few days, we have an exciting lineup of sessions, trainings, and discussions that will equip you with the knowledge and tools to drive change and create a more inclusive and equitable financial aid system. You'll have the chance to connect with fellow professionals, share best practices, and gain fresh insights into the ever-evolving world of financial aid.

As we embrace the theme of "**Agents of Change**," remember that each one of you plays a crucial role in shaping the future of financial aid. Your dedication, passion, and expertise are the driving forces behind the positive transformations we can achieve together.

We hope you leave this conference with fresh insights, a renewed sense of purpose, and a network of colleagues who share your commitment to change. Thank you for being a part of this exciting journey with us.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

#### NAME BADGES

Name badges are required for admissions to all conference sessions, meal functions, and activities. This helps with networking, knowing where someone is from, being able to identify those with the same responsibilities and (for those of us who are bad with names) it will help us remember your name when we visit. Lost your name badge? Go to the Registration desk in the Granada Foyer to obtain a replacement.

#### **CONFERENCE A**TTIRE

Attire for the conference is business casual. During evening activities please feel free to change to jeans.

#### MEETING ETIQUETTE

Sensitive to the concerns of our members, MASFAP affirms the right of all individuals to function in an environment free of offensive behavior.

- No talking during presentations and please refrain from having loud conversations directly outside of the meeting room.
- Silent all cellphones, watches, and any electronics during conference functions
- Use perfume or cologne sparingly, as others around you may be allergic



#### **Big Thank Yous!!!**

MASFAP would like to extend a special thank you to all our Corporate Support Companies for supporting MASFAP this year.

A very special thank you to Kathy Dixon and the staff at MOHELA for their contribution in the design of the MASFAP Conference program and all the Conference Materials.

### Presidents Welcome



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am excited to welcome you to the 2023 MASFAP Conference! It is always a great time for us to re-connect with our colleagues and friends, recharge our batteries having a few days away from the office madness, and re-learn everything we do (with thanks to the new "Better FAFSA...").

This conference will be unique among past ones we have attended because of the new FAFSA, the rollout of new terminology (Contributors, Consent, SAI,...) and new calculations for the Pell Grant.

The Program Committee has worked hard to organize this conference into one that is both educational and entertaining. Not only will we share and learn the latest on all of the new changes coming for 24-25, but we must work to build relationships with fellow financial aid professionals and Associate Members to present a united front in rolling out all of these exciting changes! I encourage you to make the most of what MASFAP will be offering at this conference, and you will not be disappointed!

In many ways, we are pressing "reset" on our professional lives and it is scary! It does not have to be, though, because we have each other, and so many other resources, to navigate these rough waters to become **Agents of Change**!

Tony Lubbers 2023 MASFAP President





# Check out the wonderful Silent Auction Baskets!

Breakfast Basket Pet Basket Family Game Night Travel Basket Snuggle Basket A Cozy Winter's Night Missouri Basket Fall in Love Taco Basket Trader Joe's Basket Campfire Basket Seasonal Fall Basket For the Love of Christmas Choclate Lovers Basket





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has been housing children for more than 20 years. Children, ranging from birth to 18 years old, come to Rainbow House due to circumstances beyond their control. They may be admitted by Children's Division because they have been removed from their home and will stay at Rainbow House until a foster placement can be found, or they may be admitted through our Crisis Care Program. This is truly a "prevention" service in that it gives the parent respite time to establish stability in their lives, possibly preventing abuse or neglect to the child. Through home-cooked meals, recreational outings and activities, and loving nurturing house parents we hope to return the feeling of family and stability to each child at the Shelter. This safe environment allows them to put side their troubling thoughts and just be kids again!



#### Child Advocacy Center (CAC)



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is a collaborative investigative partner of multidisciplinary teams from eleven counties in the mid-Missouri area. Together with law enforcement, juvenile court, Children's Division and prosecutors from Adair, Audrain, Boone, Callaway, Cole, Cooper, Howard, Macon, Monroe, Randolph & Shelby counties, we strive to provide a thorough investigation of child sexual and severe physical abuse cases, always putting the best interest of the child first. The CAC provides forensic interviews, Sexual Assault Forensic Exams, and advocacy for children and families.

#### **Clinical Programs**

at Rainbow House encompasses the therapy services and outreach programs that we provide to the families and children we serve. Rainbow House provides therapy to children through the Children's Emergency Shelter and Child Advocacy Center. The Children's Shelter offers therapy and resource assistance both while the child is in residence and after they leave our doorstep. The CAC provides therapy services and referrals to children and families post-forensic interview. Outpatient therapy for victims of sexual abuse (who have not had interviews at the CAC) is available on a limited and short-term basis for both individuals and families. We also assist families in connecting with other qualified therapists for long-term and out-of-county counseling needs. Our Family Advocate Program serves the child and nonoffending caregiver who have been victimized through child abuse and neglect. We are also actively involved in community education through parenting classes and creating community awareness.



#### **Rainbow House Mission**

The Mission of Rainbow House is to keep children safe and to support families in crisis through prevention, assessment and intervention in child abuse and neglect.



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#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH**

*Newcomer and Executive Board Breakfast:* Sliced seasonal fruits and berries, Fruit Yogurts, Assorted Cold Cereals, Scrambled Eggs, Apple-Wood Smoked Bacon, Sausage, Breakfast Potatoes, French Toast with Pure Maple, Skim and 2% Milk, Coffee, Tea, Orange Juice

*Lunch:* Variety of Boxed Lunches

*Dinner:* Chicken Oreganata or Honey-Garlic Glazed Salmon (chosen at the time of registration); House Garden Salad, Fresh Baked Rolls

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

*Breakfast:* Sliced seasonal fruits and berries, Fruit Yogurts, Assorted Cold Cereals, Scrambled Eggs, Apple-Wood Smoked Bacon, Sausage, Breakfast Potatoes, French Toast with Pure Maple Syrup, Skim and 2% Milk, Coffee, Tea, Orange Juice

*Lunch:* Fajita Seasoned Chicken with Corn and Black Beans, Fresh Pico de Gallo, Shredded Jack Cheese, Topped with Green Onions, Tortilla Strips and a Wedge of Lime, Fresh Baked Rolls

*Dinner:* Tender Roast Beef, Slow Cooked with New Potatoes and Root Vegetables, Pan Gravy; House Garden Salad, Fresh Baked Rolls

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

*Breakfast:* Sliced Seasonal Fruit and Berries, Assorted Scones, Fruit Danish Pastries, Assorted Scones, Assorted Bagels with Cream Cheese, Butter & Preserves

*Brunch:* Sliced Seasonal Fruits and Berries, Apple-Wood Smoked Bacon, Home Fried Breakfast Potatoes, Eggs Benedict, Scrambled Eggs, Assorted Fresh Baked Breads, Chicken Milanese, Blackberry Peppercorn Pork Loin, Omelet Station



# **MASFAP's**



Who's Making a Difference Scholarship

It is that time of year again when students are filing FAFSAs and applying for scholarships. MASFAP's Early Awareness is on the front lines helping complete FAFSAs, offering training to high school counselors and handing out scholarship money!

Last year we were able to award five students with a one-time \$1000 scholarship to use in the first year of post-secondary education in Missouri.

We are excited to be able to offer this opportunity again this year! We opened the *MASFAP Who's Making a Difference Scholarship* through My Scholarship Central in September. My Scholarship Central is an easy-to-navigate scholarship resource that students can use to find and apply for scholarships across Missouri.

The committee has narrowed the applicants down to the top ten, and now we need you to help us pick the top five (5).

### WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU, THE MEMBERSHIP:

- 1. Take a moment on Monday or Tuesday before 5:00 p.m. to read over the essays.
- 2. Locate your tickets: You should have received five blue tickets in your registration packet.
- 3. Vote for the five essays the applicants who you believe are the most deserving.



### Executive Board Members

**Tony Lubbers, President** Director of Student Financial Assistance University of Central Missouri

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# Program Committee

Valerie Jensen (Chair), Washington University in St. Louis Alexandria Miller, Missouri Scholarship and Loan Foundation Amy Hager, Moberly Area Community College Anita Radcliffe, Washington University in St. Louis Brice Baumgardner, Hannibal-LaGrange University Cassandra Hicks, Southeast Health College of Nursing and Health Sciences Charissa Davis, University of Central Missouri Charles Mayfield, Northwest Missouri State University Dan Dick, Washington University in St. Louis Dena Norris, Metropolitan Community College Ginny Burns, MOHELA Hannah Masters, Cottey College Hannah Smith, Saint Louis University Jamie Davis, University of Missouri Janice Barnes, Saint Louis University Julie Loftin, Ozarks Technical Community College

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#### Access MO Ad Hoc - April Mason

Senior Assistant Director, Student Support Services, University of Missouri

Access MO Ad Hoc - Leroy Wade Deputy Commissioner of Higher Education, Missouri Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development

Archives - Becca Diskin Director of Financial Aid, Missouri Southern State University

Association Governance and Legal Concerns - Cassandra Hicks

Director of Financial Aid, Southeast College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Awards - Jason Enright Assistant Director of Financial Aid, Stephens College

**Communications – Melissa Findley** Executive Director, Missouri Scholarship and Loan Foundation

**Corporate Support – Ginny Burns** Director of Loan Servicing, MOHELA

Early Awareness – Cherelle Washington Director, College Access and Career Readiness, Missouri College and Career Attainment Network

**Early Awareness - Taylor Grimm** Program Manager, Missouri Scholarship and Loan Foundation

Leadership Development - Amy Hager Director of Financial Aid, Moberly Area Community College

**Legislative – Zach Greenlee** Director of Student Financial Services, Missouri Baptist University

#### Legislative - Will Shaffner

Director Business Development and Government Relations, MOHELA

Membership - Krissy Loenneke Financial Aid Specialist, Southeast College of Nursing and Health Sciences

Mentorship Ad Hoc - Cassandra Hicks Director of Financial Aid, Southeast College of Nursing and Health Sciences

**Newcomer – Charissa Davis** Assistant Director of Financial Assistance, University of Central Missouri

**Newcomer – Julie Loftin** Financial Aid Advisor, Ozarks Technical Community College

**Professional Development – Dena Norris** Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Financial Services, Metropolitan Community College

**Professional Development – Kaley Williams** Associate Director Student Financial Aid, Kansas City University

**Research – Anna Plattner** Financial Aid Administrator/Marketing Coordinator, Grand River Technical School

Site – Alexandria Miller Scholarship Program Manager, Missouri Scholarship and Loan Foundation

**Technology – Hannah Masters** Executive Director of Financial Aid and Student Accounts Cottey College





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## Keynote Speaker

Jeff Lanza Retired FBI Agent Keynote Speaker



Jeff was an FBI Special Agent for over 20 years, during which he investigated cybercrime, organized crime, human trafficking, and terrorism. Jeff has lectured at Harvard and Princeton Universities and written two highly reviewed books. He is featured in a Netflix documentary about the FBI and he often appears on national television news programs where he talks about the growing threat of cybercrime.

#### More information about Jeff:

Jeff was chosen as the best speaker in the 50-year history of Kansas City's prestigious Plaza Club. He is a professional speaker who has provided over one thousand presentations on the topics of cybercrime, leadership, crisis communication, ethics, identity theft, body language and more. His clients include 20thCentury Fox Entertainment, UBS, Merrill Lynch, Morgan Stanley, Nationwide, Citigroup, The Young Presidents Organization, American Century, Hallmark, H & R Block, Hess Oil, Standard and Poor's, Financial Executives International, U.S. Bank, Wells Fargo and others. He developed and presented a program on identity theft prevention which was used to educate a nationwide audience of Citigroup employees. His program on the topic of leadership integrity has been certified for education credits across the United States. Jeff was a headline keynote presenter at an international cyber security conference in Dubai in 2022.

Jeff was head of operations security for the Kansas City FBI and a graduate of the world-renowned John E. Reid School of Interviewing and Interrogation. He is a certified FBI instructor and has trained numerous government agencies and corporate clients on how to interpret and project body language for more effective interpersonal communication.

In addition to his latest book on the topic of cyber security, Jeff authored speeches for FBI executives and has been published in The Kansas City Star, Ingram's Magazine and on the FBI National Web site.

Jeff consulted for academy award winning director Ang Lee during the production of "Ride with the Devil", and he has provided regular consulting services for television and movie production in Hollywood at Steele Films and Granfalloon Productions. Jeff was a major contributor and appeared on camera in a recent episode of The History Channel's, "America's Book of Secrets". He was featured in the companion documentary to the major theatrical release "Runner -Runner", which stars Ben Affleck and Justin Timberlake. Jeff has been featured in television commercials on the topic of fraud prevention.

Jeff was recruited by the FBI from Xerox Corporation, where he was a Computer Systems Analyst. He has an undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice from the University of New Haven (Connecticut) and a Masters Degree in Business Administration from the University of Texas.

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### **Special Guests**



#### BRAD BARNETT | Associate Vice President for Access and Enrollment Management/Director of Financial Aid & Scholarships | James Madison University

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 member/chair, and elected officer.

A past president of VASFAA and SASFAA, he has also served NASFAA on the Board of Directors, Financial Affairs Committee, as Treasurer, as Conference Chair, as a Standards of Excellence (SOE) Reviewer, and as a SOE Assessment Leader. Brad is also the 2022-23 NASFAA National Chair.

Brad received the VASFAA Excellence Award, VASFAA Life Membership Award, SASFAA Distinguished Service Award, NASFAA Regional Leadership Award, and NASFAA Allan W. Purdy Distinguished Service Award. In addition to these activities, he teaches personal finance courses (on-line and in person) at JMU and provides financial counseling services on a professional basis outside of his role with JMU.

Brad and his wife, Sara, have two sons. The oldest graduated from the University of Mary Washington and the youngest graduated from James Madison University. This has given him the unique perspective of going through the "college process" as a parent, as well as an administrator.



### ALEX DELONIS | Associate Dean for Enrollment Management & Director of Financial Aid | Wabash College

Alex DeLonis, FAAC, currently serves as the Associate Dean for Enrollment Management & Director of Financial Aid at Wabash College in Crawfordsville Indiana. Before arriving at Wabash, he served as the Director of Financial Aid Processing at Ivy Tech Community College and began his financial aid career at two different community colleges in Illinois. Alex has been active in state, regional, and national financial aid associations for more than 15 years. He currently participates on NASFAA's FAFSA Simplification Working Group and is a NASFAA FAFSA Simplification Community Influencer. He was also a subject matter expert

on the College Cost Transparency Initiative which looks to improve aid offers and is a former participant of NASFAA's Diversity Leadership Program. In addition to being the current Treasurer of NASFAA, Alex currently serves as the President-Elect of ISFAA & the Indiana State Representative on the MASFAA Board.

### Special Guests

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#### PAM ENGEBRETSON | Director of Financial Aid and Scholarships | Century College

Having more than 35 years of financial aid experience in Minnesota public colleges, I am excited to represent the Minnesota Association of Financial Aid Administrators and join our Missouri colleagues for their conference. I began my career as the loan certifying specialist forever ago and eventually became the financial aid director. I have worked in the two public MN higher education systems serving students and adapting to change. Changes in our world are constant and I have seen many financial aid changes over my years, but the FAFSA Simplification will be, by far, the most sweeping changes we have seen. I love that we get to support the educational and career dreams of our students, support the staff who help finance those dreams and have state, regional and national organizations who support the work that we do. On a personal level, I farm with my spouse, live in rural Minnesota, have two adult children and love being a grandparent.



#### MEG KREJCI | Wellness Consultant for Mindfulness & MBSR

Meg comes from a background in Accounting, Management Information Systems, and International Business. As a result of life challenges and related stress, she sought out training in mindfulness through Jon Kabat-Zinn's Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction program at the Center for Mindfulness – UMass Medical School. Inspired by her experience, Meg founded and directed Masterpeace Studios; a nonprofit organization servicing the St. Louis and Midwest region teaching skills of mindfulness for health and well-being. For the last 25 years, Meg has been guiding individuals of all ages in stress reduction strategies in numerous sectors including education, healthcare, and corporate. In 2016, Meg joined

Washington University in St. Louis as a Mindfulness Consultant. There she offers the Move into Mindfulness program which is modeled on this evidenced-based curriculum. Meg is passionate about sharing the benefits of practicing mindfulness to help individuals and teams reduce stress and anxiety, improve health and mental well-being, and achieve greater adaptability and appreciation in life.



#### CHAD OLSON | Director of Student Financial Aid | Iowa State University

Chad Olson is the Director of Student Financial Aid in the Office of Student Financial Aid at Iowa State University. Chad has worked in the financial aid profession at Iowa State for 21 years. He has served both MASFAA and IASFAA as president and has been on many committees in both organizations. Chad is proud to currently serve both MASFAA and IASFAA as Site Committee Co-Chair.

Chad lives in Gilbert, IA, with his wife Emily, and his 13 year old boy/girl twins. His 23 year old son works in Admissions at the University of Iowa.

### Special Guests



#### EMILY OLSON | Assistant Director of Student Services | Iowa State University

Emily is an Assistant Director of Student Services in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Iowa State University. Emily has worked in academic advising for 18 years. As a low-income, first-generation student she recognizes the challenges that face many of our students and is committed to supporting students as they navigate their way through high education. Her goal is to always have students leave her office feeling better than when they came in, or at least better understanding their situation and knowing someone believes in them and is there to help. While persevering and enduring the process to have her student loans forgiven though PSLF, her proudest financial aid moment was beating her husband, at the

time the Past-President of MASFAA, in MASFAA trivia. Emily lives in Gilbert, IA with her husband Chad, 13 year old twins Catherine and Carter, and their dogs April and Cooper. Her 23 year-old step-son Connor lives in Iowa City and works in recruitment at the University of Iowa.



#### CRAIG SLAUGHTER | Director of Financial Aid | Kenyon College

Craig Alan Slaughter, Kenyon College – In 2017, Craig Slaughter returned to Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio to serve as Director of Financial Aid. He previously worked for Kenyon as an Associate Director from 2000 to 2005. During the intervening years, Craig served as Director of Financial Aid for the University of Redlands, in southern California, and also in the same role at DePauw University in central Indiana. Craig is Past-President of the Midwest Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and is a previous MASFAA Vice President and Secretary. He holds the FAAC<sup>®</sup> (Financial Aid Administrator, Certified) Designation and has held various volunteer and presenter roles with the College Board, ISFAA, WASFAA (the

Western regional association) and the National Association - including serving on the NASFAA Board of Directors as a Rep at Large, the 2018-2020 Diversity Officer and chair for the CFAA Commission. Craig received a Bachelor of Music degree from the Eastman School of Music and a Master of Science in Higher Education Administration from Indiana University. In his free time, Craig enjoys rehearsing and performing in the tenor section with symphony choruses. One particular highlight was being part of the choir that performed with Madonna in the 2012 Superbowl halftime show at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis. A truly memorable experience!



### Monday

8:30 – 9 a.m.	Newcomer Registration Open (Lobby)
9 a.m. – noon	Exhibitor Set Up (Granada)
9 a.m. – noon	MASFAP Board Meeting (Seachase)
9 – 10:30 a.m.	Newcomer Breakfast with Board (Marbella A)
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Newcomer Orientation (Marbella B)
Noon – 4 p.m.	Registration Open (Granada Foyer)
12 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Exhibit Area Open (Granada)
12:30 p.m.	Boxed Lunches Available (Granada Foyer)
1 – 1:50 p.m.	Leadership Integrity (Marbella B)
1 – 2:30 p.m.	NASFAA Credentialing – Verification (Theater)
1 – 2:30 p.m.	NASFAA Credentialing – R2T4 (Valencia)
2 – 3:15 p.m.	Directors' Roundtable (Seachase)
2:30 – 3 p.m.	Break (Granada)
3 – 4:30 p.m.	NASFAA Credentialing – Verification (Theater)
3 – 4:30 p.m.	NASFAA Credentialing – R2T4 (Valencia)
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	Simple Safeguards: How to Stay Safe from Cybercrime and Identify Theft (Marbella B)
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Associate Member Mixer with Board (President's Suite)
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.	Dinner, President's Welcome, Charity Introduction, and Keynote Speaker (Granada)
7:45 p.m.	Casino and Game Night (Marbella)

6:30 – 7:30 a.m.	Walking Group (Meet in Lobby)				
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast (Granada)				
7:30 a.m. – Noon	Registration Oper	n (Granada Foyer)			
7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Open (Granada)				
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	General Session 1	– Preparing for FA	AFSA Simplification on	Your Campus (Gra	inada)
9:40 – 10:40 a.m.	A Taste of	Professional	SAI and Tuition	Return to	Hungry to
	Mindfulness	Judgments	Promise	Repayment	Learn Part 1
	(Valencia)	(Seachase)	(HK's Club Room)	(Marbella A)	(Theater)
10:40 – 11:15 a.m.	Break (Granada)			•	
11:15 – 12:15 p.m.	College Cost	Calculating Pell	Building a Hybrid	Student	Hungry to
	Transparency	Grant Awards	Workplace	Centered.	Learn Part 2
	Initiative	(Seachase)	(HK's Club Room)	Student	(Theater)
	(Valencia)			Success	
				(Marbella A)	
12:15 – 1:20 p.m.	Lunch, MASFAA l	Jpdates, State Excl	nange & Business Mee	ting (Granada)	
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	General Session 2	2 – FAFSA Simplifica	ation: More Than Just	SAI! (Granada)	
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Break (Granada A	/B/C)			
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Connecting	Scholarship	Leadership	My Hat Rack is	Cost of
	with Gen Z:	Provider Panel	Development	Full: How to	Attendance
	Effective	(Seachase)	Program: MASFAP	Prioritize	(Theater)
	Communication		Is Creating Agents	Compliance at	
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	Financial Aid		(HK's Club Room)	(Marbella A)	
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	Community	Tech/Trade	(HK's Club Room)	Public	Associate
	College	(Seachase)		(Marbella A)	Members
	(Valencia)				(Granada)
5:00 – 6:00p.m.	Current and Incoming Board Mixer (President Suite)				
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.	Dinner, Awards & Special Recognition (Granada)				
7:45 p.m.	Talent Show and closing of Silent Auction (Thirst)				

### Wednesday

6:30 – 7:30 a.m.	Walking Group (Meet in Lobby)
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Quick Start Breakfast (Granada)
8:45 – 9:45 a.m.	NASFAA Update (Granada)
10:00 – noon	Brunch, State Update, Scholarship Drawing, Passing of Gavel (Marbella)

# Monday

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	NEWCOMER REGISTRATION	Lobby
9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon	EXHIBITOR SETUP	Granada
9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon	MASFAP BOARD MEETING	Seachase
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	NEWCOMER BREAKFAST AND PRESENTATION	Marbella A
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m	NEWCOMER ORIENTATION	Marbella B
12 Noon – 4:00 p.m.	REGISTRATION OPEN	Granada Foyer
12 Noon – 4:30 p.m.	EXHIBIT HALL OPEN	Granada
12:30 p.m.	BOXED LUNCHES AVAILABLE	Granada Foyer
1:00 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	Leadership Integrity Presenter: Jeff Lanza – Retired FBI Agent Moderator: Kaley Williams Description: Jeff Lanza draws on his years of experience in investigating whit crime to create an engaging and informative presentation on why people stee the line. Moreover, it is about the role of leadership and what leaders can do ensure these factors don't affect them or the people they lead. Real FBI case the audience understand the root causes of unethical behavior and to help the the achievement of goals with morality and integrity intact.	ep over to examples help
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	NASFAA Credentialing: Verification (Part 1) Presenter: Charles (Buddy) Mayfield – Director of Financial Assistance (Northe State University) Description: Must attend both parts of the instruction portion. Attendees will voucher for the NASFAA exam. Voucher must be redeemed within 45 days of	receive a
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2: 30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	BREAK/EXHIBIT HALL OPEN	Granada
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	NASFAA Credentialing: Verification (Part 2) Presenter: Charles (Buddy) Mayfield – Director of Financial Assistance (Northe State University) Description: Must attend both parts of the instruction portion. Attendees will voucher for the NASFAA exam. Voucher must be redeemed within 45 days of	receive a



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4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	ASSOCIATE MEMBER MIXER President's Suite
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	DINNER, PRESIDENT'S WELCOME, CHARITY INTRODUCTIONGranada AND KEYNOTE
7:45 p.m.	CASINO AND GAME NIGHT



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7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	EXHIBIT HALL OPEN	. Granada
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	BREAKFAST	Granada
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	General Session: Preparing for FAFSA Simplification on Your Campus	Granada

Presenter: Alex DeLonis – Director of Financial Aid (Wabash College) Moderator: Matthew Kearney

Description: Join us as we begin the conference with an update on FAFSA Simplification. This session will go over the latest news on the changes to 2024-25. We will see how one school used NASFAA's SAI modeling tool to advise campus leadership, take a look at the impact of FAFSA Simplification on policies and procedures, and go over frequently asked questions and concerns. We will also highlight what schools are doing to navigate the delayed FAFSA release.

#### 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. A Taste of Mindfulness

Presenter: Meg Krejci – Employee Wellness Consultant (Washington University in St. Louis) Moderator: Kevin McNamara

Description: An introduction to mindfulness concepts, a personal experience of practice, tools to help reduce fatigue and burnout, respond vs react in the heat of the moment, tips for difficult conversations, ideas for a welcoming and stress free office for you and your students. Compassionate breathing.

#### 9:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. Professional Judgment Panel Discussion

Presenter: Becca Diskin – Director of Financial Aid (Missouri Southern State University) Tony Lubbers – Director of Student Financial Assistance (University of Central Missouri) Dena Norris – Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Financial Services (Metropolitan Community College) Moderator: Dena Norris

Description: With the upcoming Better FAFSA changes, new guidance has been issued for Professional Judgment, now referred to as Special Circumstances and Unusual Circumstances. This panel will discuss these changes, and what FAAs can do to address issues with student FAFSA applications. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and concerns as we navigate this new change.

#### 9:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. SAI and Tuition Promise

Presenter: Charles (Buddy) Mayfield – Director of Financial Assistance (Northwest Missouri State University) Moderator: Laura Schultz

Description: What impact does SAI have on other need-based aid programs? Attend this session to hear how one school evaluated the potential impact on their promise program, a program covering any remaining gap in tuition/fees after federal, state, and certain institutional grant aid. What if the program becomes too expensive? What if family finances have not changed, but a student is no longer eligible? Learn what adjustments they already made for 2023-24 and what adjustments they plan to make for 2024-25.

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#### 9:40 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. Return to Repayment

Presenter: Will Shaffner – Director of Business Development and Government Relations (MOHELA) Moderator: Heather Gaumer

Description: You can't afford to miss this discussion on how you, your office, and your role on campus is more crucial now than ever in supporting students and graduates. We will discuss the current environment surrounding loan payment and repayment, as well as your critical role in this process. Join your colleagues to determine if you, your office/campus are prepared, to support our students and borrowers in maneuvering the payment of their Public and Private education loans.

#### 9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. Hungry to Learn (Part 1)

Presenter: Taylor Grimm – Program Manager (Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation) Jessica Tabbert – Financial Aid Advisor (North Central Missouri College) Moderator: Ron Hancock

Description: Join us for an exclusive screening of Hungry to Learn, a documentary about the devastating hunger crisis unfolding on college campuses – addressing what we can, and should, be doing about it. Following the film, we will engage in a group discussion and provide an opportunity to share personal experiences and learn from colleagues about best practices for supporting students facing food and housing insecurities.

10:40 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**BREAK** ......Granada

#### 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. College Cost Transparency Initiative

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Presenter: Alex DeLonis – Director of Financial Aid (Wabash College) Moderator: Craig Poleman

Description: The goal of the CCTI is to improve the clarity, accuracy, and consistency of student financial aid offers by producing a set of guiding principles and minimal standards to be used when developing aid offers. This will ultimately ensure students can easily understand how much postsecondary education will cost and make it easier to compare aid offers from various schools. Attend this session to get an update on the progress and learn what you can do to help.

#### 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.Calculating Pell Grant Awards

Presenters: Bridgette Betz – Director, Student Financial Assistance (Missouri S&T) Kimberly Meeker – Director of Financial Aid (North Central Missouri College) Dan Dick – Manager of Compliance and Awarding (Washington University in St. Louis)

#### Moderator: Julie Finn

Description: This session will discuss the transition from EFC to SAI, and from time status to enrollment intensity. With the changes to how Pell awards are calculated, we will discuss how schools will be interpreting the current guidance on how students will earn Pell in 2024-2025. Be prepared to discuss and complete hand calculations!

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#### 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Building a Hybrid Work Place

Presenters: Chad Olson – Director of Student Financial Aid (Iowa State University) Emily Olson – Assistant Director of Student Services (Iowa State University) Moderator: Rob Smith

Description: Building a functional hybrid team can look very different, even at the same institution! Emily Olson, Assistant Director of Student Services, Iowa State University, and Chad Olson, Director of Student Financial Aid, Iowa State University, will share their experiences with hybrid team building. Despite working at the same institution, they have very different processes and policies in place, which illustrates the many ways to make your hybrid workplace a success!

#### 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Student Centered. Student Success

Presenters: Daniel Gutierrez – Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs (Ozarks Technical Community College) Jordan Schreiber – College Director of Student Success (Ozarks Technical Community College)

Kim Cary – College Director for Financial Aid (Ozarks Technical Community College)

Moderator: Stephen Garman

Description: In 2022, Ozarks Technical Community College turned the traditional student advising model inside out. From start to finish, each student now has their personal onestop shop – a highly-skilled advocate whose job goes far, far beyond academic advising. Are students better off? What was the impact on staffing? On morale? What could this mean for retention? Hear from OTC administrators who were central to the transition and understand how the Student Success model could lift up your school.

#### 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Hungry to Learn (Part 2)

Presenter: Taylor Grimm – Program Manager (Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation) Jessica Tabbert – Financial Aid Advisor (North Central Missouri College) Moderator: Cherelle Washington

Description: Join us for the conclusion of the screening of Hungry to Learn, a documentary about the devastating hunger crisis unfolding on college campuses – addressing what we can, and should, be doing about it. Following the film, we will engage in a group discussion and provide an opportunity to share personal experiences and learn from colleagues about best practices for supporting students facing food and housing insecurities.

#### 12:15p.m. – 1:20 p.m. LUNCH, MASFAA EXCHANGE, BUSINESS MEETING ………Granada

Presenter: Tony Lubbers, MASFAP President

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Presenter: Candice Shea – Assistant Director of Financial Aid (Columbia College) Moderator: Sara Edwards	Valencia			
Description: Financial Aid Professionals are tasked with a unique challenge - effectively communicating complex information about financial aid to Generation Z. Born after 1997, Gen Z has distinct characteristics, preferences, and behaviors that require a tailored approach. Join us as we explore the world of Gen Z, exploring their preferences and expectations when it comes to communication. We will emphasize the need for authenticity, personalization, and a mobile-first approach in our interactions.				
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Moderator: Amy Hager

Description: MASFAP is committed to building, supporting, and empowering leaders and agents of change for the future of the organization. Join us to learn more about MASFAP's Leadership Development Program and gain a better understanding about what MASFAP is doing to prepare leaders and agents of change for the future. The six participants from the Class of 2023 will share their perspectives and experiences from the past year (and hopefully encourage others to consider joining the program in the future).

#### 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. My Hat Rack is Full: How to Prioritize Compliance at a Small School

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Presenters: Alex DeLonis – Director of Financial Aid (Wabash College) Keri Gilbert – Director of Financial Aid (Stephens College)

Moderator: Taylor Grimm

Description: While all financial aid directors wear many hats, those at small schools are often tasked with processing financial aid, fielding office e-mails, and being their own systems expert. Without dedicated compliance staff, these directors must make time to ensure a compliant office. With so much to do, how does a director prioritize and create an office culture of compliance? Hear from two directors of small schools on how they keep current with compliance when they have so many hats to wear.

#### 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Cost of Attendance

Presenters: Sarah Williamson – Associate Director of Financial Aid (North Central Missouri College)

Melissa Harper – Assistant Director of Operations (Southeast Missouri State University) Colleen Brown – Director of Financial Aid (Columbia College)

#### Moderator: Melissa Findley

Description: Effective with the 2023-24 award year, rules and guidance related to cost of attendance (COA) change in significant ways. The FAFSA Simplification Act, which was enacted into law as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 gives the U.S. Department of Education the authority to regulate COA, starting in the 2024-25 award year. This discussion will focus on how three schools have approached COA changes related to realistic budgets, disclosure of COA elements, living expenses, and meals.

#### 4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Birds of a Feather – Community College

#### Moderator: Angel Mefford

Description: Spend this session with your colleagues who are also working at Community Colleges across Missouri discussing hot topics, networking, and sharing ideas. Make sure to bring your business cards to share contact information.

4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Birds of a Feather – Tech/Trade

#### Moderator: Anna Plattner

Description: Spend this session with your colleagues who are also working at Technical and Trade Schools across Missouri discussing hot topics, networking, and sharing ideas. Make sure to bring your business cards to share contact information.

4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Birds of a Feather – 4-Year Private

#### Moderator: Jennifer Wright

Description: Spend this session with your colleagues who are also working at 4-Year Private Institutions across Missouri discussing hot topics, networking, and sharing ideas. Make sure to bring your business cards to share contact information.

#### 4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Birds of a Feather – 4-Year Public

Moderator: Emily Haynam

Description: Spend this session with your colleagues who are also working at 4-Year Public Institutions across Missouri discussing hot topics, networking, and sharing ideas. Make sure to bring your business cards to share contact information.

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8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	NASFAA UPDATE Presenter: Brad Barnett – 2022-23 NASFAA National Chair; Associate Vice Pr Access and Enrollment Management/Director of Financial Aid & Scholarshij Madison University) Moderator: Will Shaffner	

10:00 a.m. – 12 noon BRUNCH, STATE UPDATE, SCHOLARSHIP DRAWING, Marbella AND PASSING OF THE GAVEL Moderator: Erik Anderson



### FOR ATTENDING THE 2023 MASEA CONFERENCEL

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The Program Committee hopes you were able to gain some valuable life knowledge to take back to your office. We hope that you have been able to network, expand your knowledge on topics, and enjoyed our time back together.

We will see you again next year!

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