



MASFAP May 2018 Communication

MASFAP Election Time!

It's MASFAP Election Time! The Nominations and Elections Committee is excited to announce an excellent slate of candidates who have agreed to run for an office! Please take a few minutes to read each of the candidacy statements. The committee thinks you will agree, making a selection will be difficult, and no matter the outcome, the future of MASFAP will be in good hands. Thank you to all of the candidates for agreeing to run!

We plan is to have the election go live on Monday, May 14 and close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13. An official notification will go out from our system to the voting member of your institution when the ballot is live. The ballot will be open for 30 days – so you will have some time to have discussions with your institutions on the candidates before the voting member casts your institution's ballot.

MASFAP Board Candidates

Here are the candidates for each position:

President-Elect

Crystal Bruntz (P.2)
Matthew Kearney (P.3)
Dena Norris(P.4-5)

Delegate-At-Large

Keri Gilbert (P.13-14)
Zach Greenlee (P.15)
Tony Lubbers (P.16)
Jim Myers (P.17-18)
Ashley Richardson (P.19)

Vice President

Kim Cary (P.6)
Alex Miller (P.7-8)
Scott Young (P.9)

Secretary

Ashlea Buntin (P.20)
Kimberly Meeker (P.21)
Jennifer Moore (P.22)

Treasurer-Elect

Bridgette Betz (P.10)
Jamie Davis (P.11)
Laurel Miller (P.12)

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Upcoming Training Opportunities:

It is not too late to register for the next Professional Development event on Wednesday, May 23 in Columbia, MO! Visit www.masfap.org to register and bring your hot topics to discuss at the MASFAP Town Hall!

MASFAP Town Hall
Wednesday, May 23
MOHELA Facility
555 Vandiver Drive
Columbia, MO
10 a.m.—3 p.m.

Register at www.masfap.org



President-Elect Nominee

NAME: Crystal M. Bruntz

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year private

CURRENT POSITION: Director of Student Financial Services

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 17 (including 4 as student worker)

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Avila University

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 7

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

Thank you for the opportunity and nomination to represent the MASFAP organization as President. I have served on numerous committees in various Financial Aid state and regional organizations and believe I have the necessary skills, experience and commitment to succeed in this role. Financial aid is my passion and the organizations like MASFAP are a significant reason that I'm still working in this field today. I would be honored to represent the membership of MASFAP as President and give back to a community of individuals that have already given me so much!

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Member 2011 to present
Archives Chair - 2012
Newcomer Chair - 2013
Vice President/Program Chair - 2014
Professional Development Chair - 2015, 2016
Site Chair - 2017, 2018

MASFAA:

Member 2011-present
Leadership Symposium Attendee - 2012
Program Committee Member - 2013
Program Committee Member - 2014
Program Co-Chair - 2015
Local Arrangements Co-Chair - 2016
Donor Development Chair - 2017
Delegate - 2018

NASFAA: Member 2005 to present

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

KASFAA Member 2005 to 2010
Early Awareness Committee Chair
Welcome Committee
Conference Planning Committee
RMASFAA Member 2005 to 2010
Summer Institute Entertainment Co-Chair
2008,2009

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

2017 - Medal of Honor Recipient, Avila University
2016 - MASFAA Committee of the Year, Local Arrangements
2016 - MASFAA Leadership Award
2015 - MASFAP Presidents Award
2014 - MASFAP Committee of the Year Award, Program



President-Elect Nominee

NAME: Matthew L. Kearney

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Director of Student Financial Services

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 8

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Southeast Missouri State University

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 5 Weeks

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

It is an honor, a privilege, and humbling to have been nominated to run for the President of MASFAP. I have had the distinct pleasure of serving on the board over the last five years in multiple positions. MASFAP is special to me for several reasons, but mostly, because of the connections I've made with individuals across the state. Without this association, I can truly say I would not be where I am professionally today. If elected, I plan to continue moving us forward so that we remain one of, if not the, strongest state associations in the country. As president, I would look to continue developing our newer generation of professionals, while also working to keep those who've been in the field a while, connected to the association and the members. We are in a unique time in higher education where we are seeing a wide gap in the age of workers and soon, as many of those on the tail end of their careers leave, I want to be sure we don't lose the knowledge and the history they have. It was evident from the 50th anniversary celebration we had at the lake last year, we have a tremendous story to tell and to continue writing, and I truly want to be a part of our next chapter. I appreciate your time and hope, even if it's not a vote for me, that you let your voice be heard and vote.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Conference Planning Committee 2013-2016
Secretary 2014
Vice President 2015
Research Chair 2016
Delegate-At-Large 2016 - current

MASFAA:

Program Committee Member 2015
Site Planning Committee Member 2016
Road to Relevance Task Force Member 2017
Membership Chair 2018

NASFAA:

**OTHER (previous institutions, other states/
regions, other associations, etc):**

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

MASFAA Committee of the Year 2016
MASFAP Bob Berger Newcomer of the Year
Award 2014
MASFAP Committee of the Year 2014

President-Elect Nominee



NAME: Dena Norris

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 2 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Director of Student Financial Services

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 14 years

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Metropolitan Community College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 7 years

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am very honored to be nominated for the President-Elect position. It has been a pleasure serving on the MASFAP Executive board for the last several years and I welcome the opportunity to serve the board as president-elect.

I have worked at Metropolitan Community College for over 22 years and 14 years ago the marketing position I was in was eliminated and I was asked to start up the financial aid operation at our newest campus where financial aid services did not exist. I was completely clueless about financial aid but I stepped up to the challenge. Lucky for me, I was quickly introduced to MASFAP. I thank MASFAP's professional development opportunities, conferences and colleagues for helping me become the financial aid professional I am today. The support and friendship (both personally and professionally) have been a blessing and a key component in my career success.

It has been a pleasure serving in various roles on the MASFAP Executive Board and on several committees. The members of MASFAP have worked hard to continue to strengthen our organization by continuing to increase the knowledge of our financial aid professionals in the state (ultimately strengthening our service to students) and the commitment to the communities we serve. I understand the commitment and responsibility of the president-elect position and I believe my skills and leadership can help continue to make MASFAP the best state organization in the nation.

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President-Elect Nominee



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TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 2 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Director of Student Financial Services

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 14 years

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Metropolitan Community College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 7 years

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP

MASFAP Executive Board Member (2013-Present)
Budget & Finance Committee Chair (2017-Present)
Legislative Committee Member (2017-Present)
Treasurer (2016)
Association Governance Committee Member (2016)
Treasurer-Elect (2015)
Budget & Finance Committee Member (2015-2016)
Archives Committee Chair (2014)
Vice President & Program Committee Chair (2013)
Conference Program Committee Member (2011-2012)
Newcomer Committee Member (2010)
Missouri College Goal Sunday Co-Chair (2007-2009)

NASFAA:

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/regions, other associations, etc):

MDHE State Financial Aid Committee (2011-2016)
MDHE A+ Task Force Committee Member (2015)
Educational Opportunity Center Advisory Board Member (2011-present)
Kansas City Alliance for Economic Inclusion Member (2008-present)

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

MASFAA – Committee of the Year – Local Arrangement 2015-2016
MCC - Above and Beyond Award - 2007

MASFAA:

Program Committee Member (2018)
Honors & Awards Committee Member (2017)
Local Arrangements Committee Member (2016)
Program Committee Member (2014)
Local Arrangements Committee Member (2013)



Vice President Nominee

NAME: Kim Cary

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 2 year community

CURRENT POSITION: College Director of Financial Aid

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 18

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Ozarks Technical Community College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 2 ½ years

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

It would be a great opportunity to serve Missouri Institutions as your MASFAP Board Vice President. Through the many opportunities provided by this organization, I have learned so much from the leaders of the organization and the institutions that attend. Many mentors within each sector of our organization have helped me to develop my financial aid skills, leadership, and more importantly friendships. At a time when budgets are tight and travel is restricted, we still manage to connect. MASFAP is family.

Currently, I serve as your MASFAP Secretary and previously served as the Two Year Delegate 2007-2009. I would appreciate the opportunity to serve as your MASFAP Board Vice President.

Sincerely,

Kim Cary

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Member for 18 years
Board Member as Delegate at Large for 2 year
Institutions 2007-2009
Presenter and Moderator of informational
sessions

MASFAA:

NASFAA:

Employee of Member Institution

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

Ozarks Area Financial Aid Professionals, member
2000-Present
Missouri Community College Association,
member 1994-Present
MDHE – State Student Financial Aid Review
Policy Task Force, member 2018

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

Class of 2012 OTC Leadership Team
Class of 2014 OTC Chancellor's Academy



Vice President Nominee

NAME: Alexandria Miller

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year private

CURRENT POSITION: Director of Financial Aid

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 3 ½ years

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Stephens College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: Just Started

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I would be honored to be your 2019 Vice President and Program Committee Chair. Being in the current position, I have learned the ins and outs of how to build a successful program. I know what it takes to lead a committee to make sure the job gets done for our membership. MASFAP has helped me grow as an individual professionally but also personally. I wouldn't be where I am today without the help and support of this awesome organization!!

Born and raised in the Saint Louis area, my family found ourselves landing in mid- Missouri in November of 2012 for my husband's job. I transferred from UMSL to William Woods to finish my bachelor's degree. I graduated in 2014 with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. I was a work-study student in the Financial Services Office as I finished up my degree, this turned into a full time job after graduating. I immediately started in the master's program and graduated in 2016 with a Master of Business Administration Entrepreneurial Leadership. In addition, Financial Aid is my career and I could not be prouder.

Today I am submitting my candidacy to run for Vice President for the 2019 term. I am committed to serve this organization to the best of my ability and cannot wait to learn and grow as an individual from this amazing membership. I am ready to serve the next to the MASFAP President and make sure their goals for the organization are carried out. Please vote for me!!

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Vice President Nominee

NAME: Alexandria Miller

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year private

CURRENT POSITION: Director of Financial Aid

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 3 ½ years

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Stephens College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: Just Started

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Roles Served:

Early Awareness Committee (2015)
Early Awareness Committee and Program
Committee (2016)
Took over chair of Early Awareness in May of
2016 and currently serve as chair
Program Committee (2017)
Graduate of the Leadership Development
Program
Current Vice President and Program Chair

Activities:

Attended the 2015 and 2016 conference
Hill Day 2017
High School Counselor workshops (2015,
2016, 2017)
Built and offered the first ever MASFAP Early
Awareness Scholarship (2017)
Lead the Program Committee to build a
fantastic program for 2018

MASFAA:

Attended the 2016 conference
Membership Committee (2018)

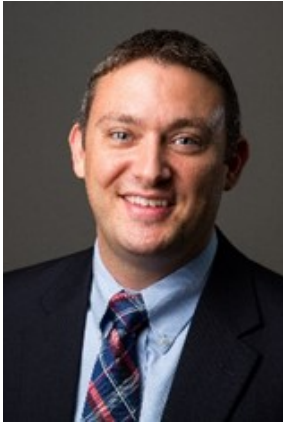
NASFAA:

Attending my first conference in June 2018

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

Presented at the 2016 and 2017 MOACAC
Conference
MSCA- member 2017

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:



Vice President Nominee

NAME: Scott Young

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Director

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 12

NAME OF INSTITUTION: University of Missouri – Kansas City

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 4

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am honored to be nominated for the position of MASFAP Vice-President and excited to accept this nomination. MASFAP has been a major part of my growth and professional development over the years. So many people who are a part of the association have taken time to invest in others and help them develop as a leader and financial aid professional. That has been my experience, which is why it has been a privilege to serve as a Delegate at Large for the current year. The experience has continued to challenge me to serve where there is a need and do the best that I can. If given the opportunity I will work diligently and focus on investing and developing others while supporting the efforts of our organization. Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to serving as Vice-President and contributing back to MASFAP.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Delegate at Large – 2018
Fall 2014 Conference Presenter
Spring 2014 Conference Panel Presenter

MASFAA:

Local Arrangements Committee Member 2015-2016
Communications and Electronic Initiatives Committee Member 2016-2018

NASFAA:

**OTHER (previous institutions, other states/
regions, other associations, etc):**

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

MASFAA Committee of the Year 2016
MASFAA Committee of the Year 2017



Treasurer-Elect Nominee

NAME: Bridgette Betz

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Director

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 13

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Missouri University of Science and Technology

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 5

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am honored to be nominated for the MASFAP position of Treasurer-elect. My financial aid career began almost 13 years ago at the Missouri University of Science and Technology (formerly University of Missouri-Rolla). I have worked my way through each job in the financial aid office and now serve as the Director for the Missouri S&T Student Financial Assistance Office. I first joined MASFAP in the year 2005 and have found a tremendous community of dedicated and passionate financial aid professionals and I would be incredibly proud to continue to serve.

I have been directly involved with MASFAP board for the last few years; as Secretary in 2017 and Technology Committee Chair in 2015 & 2018. I also participated in the inaugural class of the Leadership Development Program in which our class focused on introducing new members to serve in MASFAP as well as to challenge the Financial Aid Directors in the state to become more involved and encourage their staff to be more involved. I thoroughly appreciate the time I have had with both the Leadership Development Program and the MASFAP board. I believe that I have gained a more broad understanding and appreciation of MASFAP through my current time of service.

This organization has given me (and many others) the gift of 'community' and I would truly welcome the opportunity to continue to serve MASFAP as Treasurer-elect.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Technology Committee Chair - 2018
Secretary - 2017
NASFAA/MASFAP Cash Management Credential Training - June 2017
Technology Committee Chair - 2015
Leadership Development Program class of 2015

MASFAA: Diversity & Inclusion Committee - 2014 - 2017
Access/Family Educational Concerns Committee - 2015

NASFAA: Not Applicable at this time.

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

UM System Administrative Leadership Development Program Class of 2010
Missouri S&T Staff Council - Secretary (2010), Vice Chair (2011), Chair (2012)
Oracle/PeopleSoft Financial Aid Product Advisory Group - Communications Chair (2011), Vice Track Chair (2012), Track Chair (2013)

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS: Not Applicable at this time.



Treasurer-Elect Nominee

NAME: Jamie Davis

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year private

CURRENT POSITION: Assistant Director of Operations

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 7

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Columbia College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 1

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am excited and honored to seek the position of MASFAP Treasurer-Elect. I have been an active member of MASFAP since 2011 and love how passionate and dedicated everyone in this organization is to helping our students continue their education. Financial Aid is my passion and I love being able to serve and give back to an organization that has given me so much. The past seven years I have served MASFAP in numerous ways, from Vice President to Newcomer chair, and currently a member of the Program committee.

I understand the commitment and responsibility needed for this position, if given the opportunity, I promise to put forth the same level of hard work in helping maintain and manage the financial records. I want to thank you for taking the time to vote and I would be absolutely thrilled to serve as your Treasurer-Elect.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

MASFAP 2011-Present
Vice President-2017
50th Anniversary committee 2017
Newcomer Chair 2016
Program Committee 2012-Present
Awards Committee 2015
Leadership Development 2014-2015
Newcomer Committee 2011
FANG Co-Chair 2014-Present

NASFAA:

Member 2011-Present
Credentials in Packaging, Verification and Student Eligibility

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

Bob Berger Newcomer Award recipient 2016



Treasurer-Elect Nominee

NAME: Laurel Miller

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: Private

CURRENT POSITION: Associate Director of Financial Aid

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 15 years

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Logan University

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 4 Years

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

My name is Laurel Miller and I have been in financial aid for 15 years. I started off my career as a Tuition Planner at a proprietary school. From there I moved in to the role of Financial Aid Advisor and then had the opportunity to become a director in 2006. I was a director for 2 years and then was promoted to a Regional Financial Aid Director and was in that role for 4 years. That was such an amazing opportunity and gave me so much experience in dealing with different student situations. It also gave me the opportunity to travel. I eventually landed at Logan University, as the Associate Director of Financial Aid.

Throughout my years in financial aid, I have always been a member of MASFAP and attended the conferences. My positions have not always allowed me to get involved at the level that I had wanted to, but now I am able to do so. The role of Treasurer has always intrigued me. Maybe it's my love of math and numbers! I believe that this would be a good position for me to try as I expand my leadership and involvement in MASFAP. I have some wonderful individuals who have preceded me and I know I will have a lot of support if chosen for the role of Treasurer.

I hope to provide confidence and accuracy as Treasurer. I know this role is vital and MASFAP members rely on this position for each role in which they serve, from President to member. I hope to gain more confidence in this role which encourage me to run for different positions within MASFAP. This would give me chance to expand my leadership abilities and allow me to give back to MASFAP.

There are many great candidates so no matter what I am thankful to all who have nominated me and encouraged me to run. I wish everyone the best of luck!

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

2017 Leadership Development Program graduate,
2018 Awards Committee Chair

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

Previous institution awards: P.A.W.S Award
(Positive Attitudes Will Succeed); Going the Extra
Mile Emerald Award Winner, Circle of Excellence

Recipient

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

MASFAP: 2008 Bob Berger Newcomer Award
winner

Previous institution awards: P.A.W.S Award
(Positive Attitudes Will Succeed); Going the Extra
Mile Emerald Award Winner, Circle of Excellence
Recipient



Delegate-At-Large Nominee

NAME: Keri Gilbert

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Assistant Director

YEARS IN PROFESSION: Three

NAME OF INSTITUTION: University of Missouri-Columbia

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 0.25

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am honored to run for the position of Delegate-at-Large! The most striking (as well as my favorite!) thing about MASFAP is its awesome membership. The people that make up this great association not only bring knowledge and skill, they showcase passion, commitment, and an open-arms attitude that sucks people in. As your delegate, I would ensure the opinions and ideas of this great body of membership are heard by the Executive Board. I will advocate for you, as I advocate for my students; YOU are the reason we are here, YOU are the life of the association, and I would be honored to be your representative. Thank you for the opportunity to serve MASFAP!

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

- Membership Committee Member (2018)
- Program Committee Member (2018)
- Association Governance Committee Member (2018)
- Attended the 2017 Annual Conference in Lake Ozark, Missouri
 - Co-presented session titled *Advocacy: It Shouldn't Take an Act of Congress*
- Legislative Committee Member (2017-2018)
 - Co-Chair (2018)
- Taught National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) Credential Course on Satisfactory Academic Progress (2017)
- 50th Anniversary Committee Member (2017)
- Selected for the 2017 Leadership Development Program
- Attended the 2016 Annual Conference in Lake

Ozark, Missouri

Co-presented session titled *Troubleshooting the FSA ID*

- Newcomer Committee Member (2016)

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Delegate-At-Large Nominee

NAME: Keri Gilbert

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Assistant Director

YEARS IN PROFESSION: Three

NAME OF INSTITUTION: University of Missouri-Columbia

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 0.25

MASFAA:

- Communications and Electronic Initiatives Committee Member (2017-2018)
- Professional Development Committee Member (2017-2018)

Faculty member at 2017 Summer Institute in Normal, Illinois

Taught National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) Credential Courses on Federal Pell Grant, Direct Loans, Need Analysis and Federal Methodology, and Packaging and Notification of Awards

- Attended the 2016 Summer Institute in Normal, Illinois

NASFAA:

- Rapid Response Network Member (2017-2018)
- Advocacy Network Member (2017-2018)
- Earned NASFAA Credentials in Administrative Capability, Application Process, Campus-Based Programs, Cash Management, Consumer Information, Cost of Attendance, Direct Loans, Need Analysis and Federal Methodology, Federal Pell Grant, Packaging and Notification of Awards, Professional Judgment, Return of Title IV Funds, Satisfactory Academic Progress, Student Eligibility, TEACH Grant, and Verification.

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/regions, other associations, etc):

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

- Recipient of the 2017 MASFAP Bob Berger Newcomer Award
- Recipient of the 2017 MASFAP Committee of the Year Award (50th Anniversary Committee)
- Recipient of the 2017 MASFAA Outstanding New Professional Award
- Recipient of the 2017 MASFAA Committee of the Year Award (Communications and Electronic Initiatives Committee)
- Recipient of the 2017 NASFAA 50th Anniversary Scholarship-Midwest Region
- Recipient of the 2016 MASFAA Conference Scholarship



Delegate-At-Large Nominee

NAME: Zach Greenlee

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year private

CURRENT POSITION: Director, Student Financial Services

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 7

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Missouri Baptist University

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 2

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

It is an honor to be put forth to our association as a Delegate-at-Large candidate and I am thankful to those who felt I was worthy of nomination in this role. If elected, it would be my privilege to represent the viewpoints and concerns put forth by the members of our association to the MASFAP President and other board members over the coming years. Our association has many talented leaders who carry big visions and ideas forward. In this role, I would dutifully execute the goals of our future presidents and contribute my personal best to realizing their visions through the responsibilities with which they task me. MASFAP has greatly benefitted me, both professionally and personally, and I look forward to a new opportunity to give back to our association.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

2016 Leadership Development Program,
2015 Legislative Chair, 2014 Legislative Committee
Member

MASFAA:

2014 Federal Issues Committee Member
2015 Federal Issues Committee Member

NASFAA:

**OTHER (previous institutions, other states/
regions, other associations, etc):**

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:

2015 Bob Berger Newcomer Award



Delegate-At-Large Nominee

NAME: Tony Lubbers

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Director, Financial Aid

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 21

NAME OF INSTITUTION: University of Central Missouri

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 0.5

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

WHILE I HAVE NOT BEEN A MEMBER OF MASFAP FOR VERY LONG, I FEEL I HAVE A LOT OF EXPERIENCE WORKING WITHIN THE FINANCIAL AID FIELD AND SERVING AT THE STATE/ REGIONAL/NATIONAL ASSOCIATION-LEVELS WITH THE GOAL OF STREAMLINING THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS WHILE LOOKING OUT FOR THE INTERESTS OF OUR STUDENTS. I WORKED AS A FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR 16 YEARS AND THEN AS A DIRECTOR FOR 5 MORE YEARS AND HAVE DEVELOPED A SOUND KNOWLEDGE BASE IN THAT TIME. AS MY SUMMARY BELOW DEMONSTRATES, I AM PREPARED TO ANSWER THE CALL WITHIN OUR INDUSTRY TO SERVE NOT ONLY STUDENTS, BUT MY COLLEAGUES, IN WHATEVER CAPACITY THAT IS NEEDED. AT THIS TIME, THAT CAPACITY IS DELEGATE-AT-LARGE!

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP: N/A (SO FAR...)

MASFAA: N/A (SO FAR...)

KASFAA (KANSAS): Government Relations Committee Chair (2017), Association Governance Committee Chair/Past President (2016), President (2014), Conference Planning Co-Chair/President-Elect (2013), Electronic Resources Committee Chair (2012), Finance Committee Chair (2009), Spring Conference Closing Keynote Speaker on Leadership

NeASFAA (Nebraska): Conference Closing Keynote Speaker (2014)

RMASFAA (Rocky Mountain): Conference Planning Committee Co-Chair (2017), Vice President (2015), Kansas State Delegate to

RMASFAA Board (2014), Conference Opening Keynote Speaker on Leadership/Professional Development (2016)

NASFAA: Re-examining Paradigms of Campus-Based Aid Task Force (2017), Annual Training Task Force (2015), Public Service Loan Forgiveness Task Force (2014), Political Advocacy Pipeline Visit to Capitol Hill (2014), Leadership and Legislative Conference (2013)

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc): FRIENDS UNIVERSITY (1996-2017): SERVED AS FINANCIAL AID COUNSELOR, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, AND DIRECTOR

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS: KASFAA HALL OF FAME RECIPIENT (2012)



Delegate-At-Large Nominee

NAME: James A. Myers

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year non-for profit

CURRENT POSITION: Associate VP for Enrollment Management & Director of Financial Aid (2012-present)

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 21

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Webster University

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 6

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am interested in the Delegate-At-Large position because it would be an honor to serve as a representative of the membership and contribute to the formulation of policies and practices of the organization. Over the last 20 years, I have been an active member of three state associations, CASFAA, ILASFAA, & MASFAP and would appreciate the opportunity to become more active with MASFAP again. As you know, the financial aid field is forever changing and can seem overwhelming at times, which makes the contacts we gain through the organization even more important. I feel our organization and the training it provides are vital to the financial aid community in Missouri. I am fully committed to MASFAP's mission and if elected, I promise to serve you and MASFAP to the best of my abilities.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

2006 Summer Institute Committee
Current member (2006; 2012-Present)
Conference volunteer

MASFAA:

Member of Conference Corporate Sponsorship Committee 2007
Current member (2006-Present)

NASFAA:

2003 Session Co-presenter
Current member (1999-Present)

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

Previous Institutions:

Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO – Financial Aid Graduate Assistant (1997-2000)
Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ – Financial Aid Counselor (2000-2001)

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Delegate-At-Large Nominee

NAME: James A. Myers

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CURRENT POSITION: Associate VP for Enrollment Management & Director of Financial Aid (2012-present)

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 21

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Webster University

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 6

Chapman University, Orange, CA – Financial Aid Counselor; Assistant Director of Student Accounts (2001-2005)
McKendree University, Lebanon, IL – Director of Financial Aid (2006 – 2012)

Illinois Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (ILASFAA) 2006-2012

Conference Program Committee Co-Chair (2012-13)
Conference Program Committee Member (2011-2012)
Membership Committee Member (2010-2011)
Presenter at the 2012 Conference

Kentucky Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (KASFAA) 2006-2012

National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO) 2004-Present

California Colleges & Universities Loan Administrator Association (CCULAA) 2004-05

CHUGADUG (Datatel Regional User Group), 2003-

04 Executive Committee member

CHUGADUG 2004 Conference, Thousand Oaks, CA, presentation organizer

Datatel User Group (DUG) 2004 Conference, Washington, DC

CASFAA High School Relations Committee Co-Chair 2003 & 2004

NASFAA annual conference 2003, Salt Lake City, co-presenter

California Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (CASFAA) 2002-2004

Western Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (WASFAA) 2001-2004

Arizona Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (AASFAA) 2001

Cape Girardeau Chamber of Commerce 2000-2001

The Educational Society for Resource Management (APICS) 1999-2000

Strategic Enrollment Management Committee 1999-2000 Southeast Missouri State University

National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) 1999-2000

North American Management Society Conference Paper Reviewer 1998



Delegate-At-Large Nominee

NAME: Ashley Richardson

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: College

CURRENT POSITION: Financial Aid Advisor

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 2

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Saint Louis College of Health Careers

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 2

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I would like to be considered for the position of Delegate-at-Large. I have not been in this profession very long and I would bring a new perspective to what the profession requires. I am apt at learning and shadowing the 3 ladies at our campus to bring a sense of history to a vision for the future. They have allowed me to grow and learn in a safe nurturing environment and I would like to offer the same to the membership. I am open to opinions and excited by discerning the needs of history and future.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Archives Committee, 2016-present.
Legislative Committee, 2018-present.

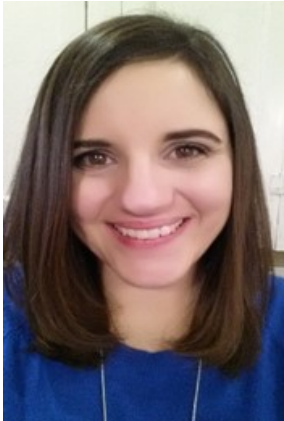
MASFAA: N/A

NASFAA: N/A

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

Christian Legal Society

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS: N/A



Secretary Nominee

NAME: Ashlea Buntin

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year private

CURRENT POSITION: Associate Director of Financial Aid

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 5 years

NAME OF INSTITUTION: William Jewell College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 5 years

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

Recently I celebrated my five year anniversary working in financial aid. During this time I have worked as Associate Director for both a public 2 year institution and now a 4 year private institution. I also celebrated 12 years of marriage, the birth of my fourth and fifth children, and survived an ED program review. I have had the opportunity to meet and work with many of you through the MDHE default prevention grant, VA School Certifying Official training, as well as a variety of conferences, credentialing sessions, and other training events.

The learning opportunities and networking available through MASFAP have been a cornerstone to my growth and success in this industry. I have volunteered on the Membership Committee the past three years and am seeking the opportunity to give back more as MASFAP Secretary. I consider service to our organization as Secretary an honor and privilege to which I will gladly contribute my time and energy. I look forward to this opportunity to serve MASFAP as it begins its next great 50 years.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Member 5 years; Conference Attendee 5 years;
Membership Committee member 3 years

MASFAA:

Member 5 years

NASFAA:

Member 5 years; Conference Attendee; 7 NASFAA
credentials completed: Direct Loans, Pell,
Campus Based Programs, Return to Title IV,
Application Process, SAP, Cost of Attendance

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/ regions, other associations, etc):

Current
Association of Veterans Education Certifying
Officials (AVECO) member 3 years, AVECO
Conference Attendee 1 year; Former Associate
Director of Financial Aid at North Central
Missouri College; Former member Missouri
Community College Association (MCCA) 4 years

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:



Secretary Nominee

NAME: Kimberly Meeker

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 2 year public

CURRENT POSITION: Director of Financial Aid

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 6

NAME OF INSTITUTION: North Central Missouri College

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 2

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

Hi! My name is Kimberly Meeker and I have been with the North Central Missouri College Office of Financial Aid for six years; serving as the Director for the past two years. I currently serve on the MASFAP Early Awareness Committee, as well as the Program Committee and value the experiences and relationships I have gained through serving on these committees. I am honored to have been nominated for the Secretary position and look forward to future professional growth within the organization. My MASFAP mentor suggested I state, "I'm pretty awesome and that is why you should vote for me!" So, if elected Secretary, I will prove to the organization I am just as awesome as my mentor believes I am!

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP: 2017/18 Early Awareness Committee, 2018/19 Early Awareness Committee, 2018/19 Program Committee

MASFAA:

NASFAA: 7 NASFAA Professional Credentials

OTHER (previous institutions, other states/regions, other associations, etc):

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS:



Secretary Nominee

NAME: Jennifer Moore

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: 4 year private

CURRENT POSITION: Assistant Director

YEARS IN PROFESSION: 4

NAME OF INSTITUTION: Fontbonne University

YEARS IN CURRENT POSITION: 4

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

I am very excited for the opportunity to serve as Secretary on the MASFAP board. I am currently the chair of the membership committee and I was part of the MASFAP Leadership Development Program in 2017. I have been an Assistant Director at Fontbonne University for 4 years. I began attending the conference and trainings when I started, and I am honored to be an active member of the association. Through the Leadership Development Program and as a committee chair, MASFAP has helped me grow professionally and meet so many amazing people. Thank you for this opportunity, I look forward to continuing to serve on the board.

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

MASFAP:

Current Chair of the Membership Committee
(2018)
MASFAP Leadership Development Program
(2017)

MASFAA:

NASFAA:

**OTHER (previous institutions, other states/
regions, other associations, etc):**

HONORS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS: