



RIASFAA Conference

June 14, 2017

Business meeting called to order at 9:08am by RIASFAA current President, Ed Maroney

Welcoming Remarks, Ed Maroney, President

- Thank you to URI for hosting the October 2016 conference
 - Silent Auction raised \$500 in the fall
- Introduction of RIASFAA board and thank you for their hard work
- Thank you to conference committee
- Member dues will be increasing from \$250 per year to \$300 per year
- Meet & Greet at Chelo's in Warwick was held June 1
 - Networking event
 - Hope to hold another event in Fall 2017
- FAFSA Completion Nights
 - Thank you to all who volunteered
- Thank you to the lenders/vendors for attending the conference
- Thank you to those who are running for positions
- Looking for more volunteers and more involvement from members in the coming year
- Motion: To approve President's report
- Vote: Motion carried

Treasurer's Report, Stacey Pettella, Treasurer

- June report and ending balances
- Member dues statements will be sent in July with a due date of October 1
- Scholarships increased to 4 \$500 awards
 - Thanks to silent auctions held at Fall meetings
- Motion: To approve budget and treasurer's report
- Vote: Motion carried

Secretary's report, Melissa Donahue

- Motion: To approve minutes from October 2016 conference
- Vote: Motion carried

New Members

- Introduction of all attending members to familiarize members with each other

New Business

- None

Old Business

- None

College Planning Center, Charlie Kelley

- Busier year round due to early FAFSA
- More early outreach being performed by the Center regarding FAFSA, Common App
- Statistics regarding completion rates around the state
 - Johnston 77%
 - Mt. Hope 70%
 - Middletown 81%
 - Rogers 35%
 - Paul Cufee School 100%

RI Office of Post Secondary Commissioner, Michael Joyce

- Update on status of awards and timing for 17/18
 - DCYF
 - College Crusade
- Former Rhode Island Promise Program
 - Finalize information from 16/17
- No update regarding the Rhode Island Promise tuition benefit proposed by Gov. Raimondo

EASFAA update, Wynette Zuppari, EASFAA Past President

- Thank you RIASFAA presidents for EASFAA participation
- Kristi Jovell is new EASFAA President
- Upcoming conferences
 - 2018 – The Saramore in Lake George, NY
 - 2019 – Portland, ME
- Upcoming Initiatives
 - More training
 - Expanding volunteer opportunities
 - Strengthen relationships with member states
 - EASFAA Leads
 - Online and in person trainings
 - Webinar Series called Tuesdays at 2
 - NASFAA Credential training
 - Will be in person for 17/18
- 17/18 training topic will be Conflicting Info & C Flags
- EASFAA Elections has 3 positions open
 - President Elect
 - Secretary
 - Vice President

Scholarship Announcements, Bonnie Saccucci, University of Rhode Island

- 2 Pell scholarships for \$500
 - Students from URI & RIC
- 2 Amaral scholarships for \$500
 - Students from RWU & URI

Nominations Committee, Sandra Oliveria, RIASFAA Past President

- Introduction of nominees
 - President Elect: Anne McDermott, Salve Regina University
 - Vice President: Monica Marcotrigiano, JWU
 - Treasurer: Megan Payne, JWU; Joanna Nagelhout, Brown

- Secretary: Melissa Donahue, University of Rhode Island
- Nominations from the floor is called
- No nominations from the floor
- Ballots passed out

Business meeting adjourned at 9:44am by current President, Ed Maroney

“Protecting your Financial Aid Infrastructure in Cyberspace” Matthew Wardle, Office of the Inspector General, Technology Crimes Division

- Financial aid data protection
- Personal data protection

Election Results

- President Elect, Anne McDermott
- Vice President, Monica Marcotrigiano
- Treasurer, Joanna Nagelhout
- Secretary, Melissa Donahue

Federal Update, Betsy Mayotte, ASA

- Predictions of what may be coming, changes based on current political climate

Event adjourned