

**OASFAA
2012 Spring Conference
Final Agenda**

Wednesday, April 11th

**11:00-1:00 Registration desk open
Collections for Citizens Caring for Children**

1:00-2:00 General Session – Federal Update - Emerald Ballroom
Presenter: Megan McClean, Managing Director of Policy & Federal Relations, NASFAA
Moderator: Mendy Schmerer, OASFAA President

2:00-3:15 Registration desk open

2:00-2:15 Break

2:15-3:15 Breakout Sessions

Using NASFAA Tools to Assess Your Financial Aid Operations – Sapphire Room

NASFAA staff will present different strategies for using NASFAA's financial aid management tools to evaluate and improve your school's administration of Title IV and other student aid programs. Staff will demonstrate how to use the Policies and Procedures Tools, Program Eligibility Checklist, and Using Federal Tax Returns in Need Analysis to name a few. Staff will also demonstrate how two NASFAA assessment tools, the Standards of Excellence Review program and the Self-Evaluation Guide, can help you evaluate and improve your school's administration of Title IV and other student aid programs. The session will also highlight best practices and practical ways these user friendly tools can assist you to enhance daily aid office operations, collaborate with others on campus, and stay in compliance with federal regulations.

Presenter: Debra La Grone, Training Specialist, NASFAA

Advocacy and You – Emerald Ballroom

This session will touch on the main principals of successful advocacy strategies, and will also give an overview of how NASFAA enacts those strategies at the Federal level through relationships with Congressional staffers, the Department of Education, and the Administration. The session will also cover tips, strategies, and examples of how to successfully advocate at the grassroots level (state and regional).

Presenter: Megan McClean, Managing Director of Policy & Federal Relations, NASFAA

Income Based Repayment (IBR) for Student Loan Borrowers– Diamond Room

IBR is one of several repayment options available to student borrowers. IBR is designed to offer relief to borrowers who have a high debt burden relative to income. However, unlike other options, this repayment plan necessitates more understanding of specific requirements. This session will explain what IBR is all about – who can qualify, how to qualify, etc. and provide you with the necessary knowledge to assist your student borrowers.

Presenter: Ron Hancock, Regional Director – Partner Solutions, Nelnet

3:15-3:30 Break
Coffee, Hot Tea, Soft Drinks, Cookies

3:30-4:30 Sector Meetings

Sector meeting—4 year schools – Emerald Ballroom
Sector meeting—2 year schools – Sapphire Room
Sector meeting—State public career technology centers – Diamond Room
Sector meetings—Proprietary schools - Conference Center (2nd Floor)

4:45-5:30 General Session - Oklahoma’s Promise (Includes Q & A) - Emerald Ballroom
Presenters: Bryce Fair, Associate Vice Chancellor for Scholarships and Grants, Carol Alexander, Oklahoma’s Promise Scholarship Coordinator, and Irala Magee, Director of Scholarship and Grant Administration, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Dinner on your own

Thursday, April 12th

8:00-11:45 Registration desk open

8:00-9:30 Collections for Citizens Caring for Children

8:00-9:15 Breakfast Buffet

Omelet Station, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage Links, Biscuits and Gravy, Breakfast Potatoes, assorted muffins and bagels with assorted cream cheese, preserves and butter

9:30-10:30 General Session—Verification Changes for 2012-2013 – Emerald Ballroom

Presenter: Trevor Summers, Training Officer, United States Department of Education

10:30-10:45 Break

Coffee, Hot Herbal Tea, Assorted Soft Drinks and Assorted Pastries

10:45-11:45 Breakout Sessions

Starting Line to Finish Line: Direct Loan Update – Sapphire Room

This session reviews startup processing and system updates for 2012-13 Direct Loan processing in COD and Studentloans.gov. Additional topics include a review of DL year end closeout activities and an update on FSA’s Delinquency and Default prevention initiatives.

Presenter: Patrick Kennedy, Federal Loan School Support Team, United States Department of Education

Using Social Media in Higher Education – Conference Center (2nd Floor)

Presenter: Ann White, Interactive Marketing Coordinator, Oklahoma Christian University

SAP Panel – Diamond Room

Panelists: Lori Perry – Rose State, Susan Prater – UCO, Jonna Raney – OBU, Nancy Moats - USAO

12:00-1:45 Lunch – Emerald Ballroom

South of the Border Buffet – Chicken/Beef Fajitas, Rice, Vera Cruz Chicken Breast, Mini Bean Burritos, Black Beans w/ Tomatoes, Roasted Corn and Peppers, Chips and Salsa, Cheesecake

Featured Speakers

Michelle Landes – Development Director, Citizens Caring for Children

Chris Allen – Mentor, Citizens Caring for Children

OASFAA Awards and Recognition

2:00-3:00 Breakout Sessions

Administrative Capability: A Campus Wide Compliance Requirement! – Conference Center (2nd floor)

This session will take a look at facilitating campus-wide participation in administrative capability compliance. Is your financial aid office adequately staffed? Is your campus in compliance with the requirements for the separation of functions aspect of administrative capability? How is information shared within the institution? NASFAA staff will review and address the importance of understanding compliance issues related to administrative capability throughout the campus community.

Presenter: Debra La Grone, Training Specialist, NASFAA

R2T4- Unscrambling the Mystery – Sapphire Room

Do you have questions about the changes to R2T4 and modular sessions? Join us to unscramble this mystery.

Presenter: Wilma White, Assistant Bursar, Oklahoma State University

Oh, Magic 8-Ball, What can OCAP Do For Me? – Diamond Room

The Oklahoma College Assistance Program (OCAP) can help with research assistance regarding higher education regulations and legislation, both current and on the horizon. Also learn about the college planning products and services OCAP provides for Oklahoma’s high schools, middle schools and parents of young children.

Presenters: Kelli Kelnar, Outreach Specialist and Matt McCreary, Policy Analyst, Oklahoma College Assistance Program

3:00-3:30 Break - Collections for Citizens Caring for Children

Coffee, Hot Herbal Tea, Soft Drinks, Cookies

3:30-4:30 Breakout Sessions

ATB, Auto-Zero EFC, Pell Aggregate – Emerald Ballroom I

Presenter: Trevor Summers, Training Office, United States Department of Education

Leading with the Heart, Mind, and Spirit – Diamond Room

Leading with the heart, mind and spirit provides a framework for what it means to be an effective leader. Leadership is not about a title but about whether you CHOOSE to lead. It requires a long-term commitment to transforming yourself and others. It’s not about power, but about authority. That authority can come from your previous experience, your knowledge base and your ability to focus on the task at hand as well as the people you are leading. During this session you will discover what it takes to be an effective leader and answer questions about your motivation to serve and help others, regardless of your role on campus.

Presenter: Lisa Blazer, Assistant Vice President – Financial Aid and Enrollment Services, University of Texas San Antonio

How to Move from Two Year to Three Year Cohort Default Rates & Take the Lead in Default Prevention – Emerald Ballroom II

Learn about how cohort default rates are calculated for both two and three years. Join in the discussion of how this transition may affect your institution. Learn about collaborative strategies, new tools and resources you can use to strengthen your default prevention efforts. Successful default prevention requires teamwork!

Presenters: Mary Heid, Director for Policy Compliance and Training & Chris Grillo, Systems Application Analyst, Oklahoma College Assistance Program

Combating Fraud in the Title IV Programs – Sapphire Room

The OIG has criminal investigators nationwide who conduct investigations of fraudulent schemes targeting ED funds and/or programs. The presentation will provide each participant information regarding ED/OIG investigations of individuals and organizations that have defrauded the Title IV programs through various schemes.

Presenter: Neil Sanchez, Office of the Inspector General, United States Department of Education

6:00-8:00 Evening Activity
Dinner, Bowling, and the Conclusion of Citizen’s Caring for Children drive “Up the Alley”

Friday, April 13th

8:00-9:00 Breakfast – Emerald Ballroom
Omelet Station, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage Links, Biscuits and Gravy, Breakfast Potatoes, assorted muffins and bagels with assorted cream cheese, preserves and butter

9:00-9:15 SWASFAA Update
Lisa Blazer, SWASFAA President

9:15-9:45 OASFAA Business Meeting
Mendy Schmerer, OASFAA President

9:45-10:00 Break

10:00-11:00 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education Update
Presenter: Bryce Fair, Associate Vice Chancellor for Scholarships and Grants and Irala Magee, Director of Scholarship and Grant Administration, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education

Conference adjourns

