



Illinois Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers

2024 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 24, 2024

Double Tree Hotel, Alsip, IL

1. **Welcome and Call to Order:** President Tiffani Robertson called the meeting to order at 12:55 pm. Tiffani welcomed everyone to this year's conference. Tiffani recognized the past Presidents present. Tiffani also recognized the seven conference sponsors. At the Bronze level were Micah's Printing, National Student Clearinghouse and Paradigm. At the Silver level were Coursedog and Namecoach. We had one 14K Gold sponsor, Validity.id, Inc. For our 24K Gold sponsor we had CollegeSource, Inc.

2. **Officer Reports**

Secretary

Tammy Thomas presented the minutes from the 2023 Annual Business Meeting.

Motion: It was moved by Dena Lawrence and seconded by Andy Kindler to approve the 2023 annual business meeting minutes. Motion was approved with no objections.

Treasurer

Geoffrey Glowacki shared we are in a good position with the budget. This year we had over 100 attendees at the conference with more than 50 new members.

Geoff asked for approval for the 2025-2026 Budget. No motion is necessary, all voted in favor of the new Budget.

Equal Education Opportunity Officer

Abby Schierer shared her role is not as defined for duties as other roles on the board are. Please reach out with any ideas of what you would like to see done.

Professional Activities Officer

Todd Kato shared the spring professional development had a good response. Todd recognized the District Chairs: Trinka Pape, Southern District. Trinka was instrumental in reviving the Southern District. Gina Modica and Sam Taylor, Central District had a program revolving around Artificial Intelligence. Stephanie DeCicco, North District also had a program revolving around Artificial Intelligence.

Todd also shared this is the first time in five years the Conference has Bright Ideas submissions. Please join our session and check them all out.

Archivist

Nathan McCoy was not present and did not share any updates.

3. President Reports

a. Past President – Katy Saalfeld

Past President Katy Saalfeld started by sharing this year's scholarship recipients. IACRAO awards two scholarships at \$1,000 each to students who attended a member 2-year institution and have transferred to a member 4-year institution this semester. The Leadership and Service award went to Claire Carr. Claire attended Lake Land College and is now attending Eastern Illinois University majoring in special education. The Leadership and Service for Underrepresented Students scholarship went to Chloe Scullion. Chloe attended Rock Valley College and is now attending Illinois State University majoring in accounting.

Next Katy shared the slate of nominees for the following positions opening this year on the Executive Board:

President-Elect – Angela Snow, Carl Sandberg College

Treasurer-Elect – Gina Modica, U of I System

Treasurer – Geoff Glowacki will remain as Treasurer

Communication Manager – Katy Saalfeld and Rebecca Yarita

Motion was made by Dena Lawrence and seconded by Sarah Paraino to accept the new slate of officers. Motion was approved with no objections.

Katy had no bylaw changes to propose.

b. President-Elect-Dr. Mark Mountain

Mark shared the main responsibility of the President-Elect is to coordinate the conference. We had 110 registered this year. We still have raffle tickets, these are to raise money for the scholarships that IACRAO sponsors. Thank you for the swag from all the universities and colleges. Thank you to our vendors. The sessions are great, but the social aspect is just as important. We have dinner and costume party yet this evening. There are QR codes for session evaluations. The slide shows will be made available to all. The conference evaluation is to be sent out through email. Honest feedback is appreciated. If anyone is interested in being involved, please just ask. The district meetings are a good start, a no cost professional development opportunity.

c. President-Tiffani Robertson

Tiffani shared her sincere appreciation to have had the opportunity to serve. This has been an interesting year both personally and professionally. I successfully defended my dissertation. I will begin a new position at Governor's State University, Director Academic Services. The year has been full of ups and downs, I want to focus on the ups. Be proud of what you have accomplished. I want to thank all the Board members for attending our meetings. I want to thank the district chairs for their service. We began using memberclicks to track events and membership. Thank you, PGeoff for overseeing the finances to make us succeed and for being willing to take on another year. I will have a large group of upcoming slate of officers to fill as Past President. I encourage you to say yes to IACRAO opportunities and volunteer. Thank you for having me as your president.

d. Awards

Awards were given to the following individuals:

Stephanie DeCicco, Northeast District Chair
Sam Taylor, East Central District Chair
Gina Modica, West Central District Chair
Trinka Pape, Southern District Chair
Abby Schierer, Equal Education Opportunity Officer
Todd Kato, Professional Activities Officer
Tammy Thomas, Secretary
Geoff Glowacki, Treasurer
Mark Mountain, President-Elect
Katy Saalfeld, Past-President
Nathan McCoy, Archivist
Angela Snow, Communications Manager

4. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

5. New Business

The 103rd Annual conference will be held October 22-24, 2025, in Bloomington-Normal.

6. Passing of the Gavel

Thank you for attending, please remember to stay engaged, if you're not already. Get involved by presenting, volunteering to be on the board. Get involved with AACRAO at the national level as well. Thank you everyone who has supported me in my role, in my journey to grow professionally and personally. It is a pleasure to pass the gavel to Dr. Mark Mountain, IACRAO President.

7. Adjournment

Motion was moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:35 by Dena Lawrence and seconded by Sarah Paraino.

AACRAO Report

Jacqueline Carter, the Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Manager at Washington University was present to share AACRAO updates. It has been a pleasure to be here as both your keynote speaker and presenter. As leaders have your own keeps: keep interested, keep informed, keep involved, keep excited. Jacqueline shared our membership community includes 2300+ institutions, 15,000+ professionals, 40+ countries. Jacqueline shared AACRAO's strategic plan and goals that are working to help meet challenges facing higher education today. Jacqueline ended her update by sharing upcoming AACRAO events along with resources available on the website for AACRAO members.