

Fall 2023 VASFAA Business Meeting
10/30/2023
Zoom

Attendees:

(Quorum requires minimum of ½ of Active Membership)

Active Members

VSAC

CCV

Goddard

Norwich

OAI

UVM

VTSU

Not in Attendance: SIT

Associate Members

Inceptia

Sallie Mae

Call to order: 9:34am Tanner Matchus, President

Quorum counted by Chris

VASFAA Board (Board):

President - Tanner Matchus

President-Elect - John Lanzetta

Treasurer - Miranda Roth

Treasurer Elect - Jennifer Tosi

Secretary - Chris Barry

President's Update: We're all in this together and we're doing well sticking together as we move forward. We're all here to help each other!

Welcome John Lanzetta as President-Elect and Jennifer Tosi as Treasurer-Elect! We now have a full Executive Committee.

- We have been meeting monthly and staying engaged on VASFAA needs.
- We completed the 3-year review of the P&P.
- Our website is nearly up-to-date with only a few minor updates needed at this time.
 - Please let Tanner or Lynda O know if you have any web updates.
- Our training committee has fallen a bit to the wayside; Tanner would like to reinvigorate. This committee has been retired - welcome our new Membership Engagement Committee!
 - Marie J, Lisa T, Jeani S, and Joey C.
- Conference Committee C0-chairs are Linda Thatcher and Judy Buxton!
 - Special message of advanced thanks!

- Special thanks to ALL VASFAA volunteers!!!

EASFAA Council Update:

Danetta (EASFAA President) wants to focus on training and PD. Hoping to expand collaborative training opportunities across the region. Including DEI. See email about scholarship opportunities from EASFAA to attend their conference!
 EASFAA’s 2025 conference will be at Foxwoods Casino.
 Shout-Out to EASFAA Connects program (mentorship program) - Tanner has been a participant and spoke highly; expand your network!

Secretary Update:

Approve Business Meeting Minutes from Summer 2023

Motion to Approve by	Marie Johnson - UVM
Second by	Ryan Dulude - CCV
All voted	All voted. All in favor.
Any Discussion	None.
No abstentions	None

Treasurer Update:

VASFAA Budget 2023

Motion to Approve by	Marie Johnson - UVM
Second by	Ryan Dulude - CCV
All voted	All voted. All in favor.
Any Discussion	None.
No abstentions	None.

Reviewed budget breakdown.

Committee Chair Updates:

Conference Committee: 2023 Conference was a success and we’re going to continue that plan with a one-day conference in June 2024, shooting for CCV Winooski again. Please share ideas

for sessions or general ideas! Standby for more as we reach out soon for volunteers and updates.

Membership & Engagement Fall 2023

- Committee – Marie Johnson & Lisa Talbot Co-Chairs, Tanner Matchus, Joey Catania, Jeani Stella-Devani
- FAFSA Simplification Town Hall
- VASFAA/NHASFAA Collaboration on Special Access Programs
- Upcoming – Credential Workshop – Student Eligibility by Anne McDermott EASFAA Past President, Salve Regenia, RI December 8th, UVM Waterman Building, 85 South Prospect St. 9-11 but light breakfast and networking starting at 8:00.
- December (TBD) FAFSA Simplification Town Hall #2.
 - Looking for other workshop ideas
 - Any additional volunteers for our committee?

Old Business:

We updated the By-Laws not too long ago, but there was an update omitted that should have been voted on. As such, we need to vote to add to Article IV, Section 1 to add an Associate Member Representative added to the Executive Committee. This will expand our reach and involvement with our business partners.

Open for discussion: NONE

Motion to Approve: Marie Johnson.

Seconded By Kim

No further discussion

All in favor. No opposed.

Motion to amend the by-laws to include an Associate Member Representative is APPROVED.

Final reminder for folks to volunteer!

Meeting Adjourned at 10:13am.

Minutes Documented by Chris Barry, VASFAA Secretary

Special Call to Attention, clarifying that: "Elected Officers, with the exception of the Associate Members Representative, must be institution/agency representatives as defined in Article III, Section 2. The Associate Member Representative must be a representative of an associate member institution." This article prohibits an associate member from running for VASFAA President.