

## NEACAC eBlast November 2011

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### Nomination Process Open for 2012 NEACAC Officers

The NEACAC Nominating Committee is pleased to announce that the nomination process for new officers and NACAC Assembly Delegates is open at [www.neacac.org](http://www.neacac.org) and will be available through November 15.

Nominations are available for the following positions:

President-elect (from the college side)

Treasurer- elect (1 year term followed by a 2 year term as Treasurer)

NACAC Assembly Delegates (3 year terms from the college and secondary school side)

The ideal candidate(s) include College admission and secondary school counseling professionals who have:

- Served on a NEACAC committee as member or in a leadership capacity;
- Attended and participated in several NEACAC programs and events over a number of years;
- Been actively involved as a member or leader in another professional association related to the college transition process.

Please consider nominating yourself, a fellow NEACAC member, or someone who has relevant professional leadership experience in your state or in our region. For more information you may contact Nominating Committee Chair David L. Hautanen, Jr, at [d.hautanen@neu.edu](mailto:d.hautanen@neu.edu).

To submit a nomination, visit [www.neacac.org](http://www.neacac.org), log into the *Members Only* area, click on the *Governance* tab, and then the *Call for Nominations* link.

### Apply for a NACAC Imagine Grant TODAY

Application Deadline: December 1, 2011

NACAC Imagine Grants offer financial support to individuals or NACAC affiliates that assist students in the transition to college. These grants are intended to support new and innovative programs and/or to provide assistance to individuals who might otherwise be unable to participate in professional development opportunities. Projects and programs funded by a NACAC Imagine Grant are those that can serve as models for other organizations and institutions.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must assist students in the college transition process.
- Affiliate associations may request funds to support innovative local programs to serve students and/or the profession.
- Applicants must design a new program, spearhead a new initiative, or be a first-time attendee of a professional development activity. Only in rare cases will grants be awarded for the same purpose, to the same individual(s) or affiliate(s) multiple times.

- Applicants must be members of their Affiliate association.

Grant Funds May Be Used For:

- Membership Dues for either NACAC or Affiliate membership.
- Registration Fees, travel, lodging (double occupancy) and conference fees related to attendance at NACAC and Affiliate professional development programs including annual conferences (meals or other expenses may not be included.)
- Expenses associated with the development and implementation of special projects such as design, printing and postage, as well as for event expenses such as food, venue rental and audio-visual equipment, transportation, etc.

Additional Information:

- This grant cycle is only for events and projects that will take place in 2012. No proposals are being accepted for projects or events taking place in 2011.
- Grant decisions will be made in February 2012 and are for funding awards through November 1, 2012.

For additional information please visit the [Imagine Grants](#) section of the NACAC website.

For more program information, contact Yanecia Green, Assistant Director of Membership and Affiliate Relations.

This program is sponsored by the Imagine Fund—to contribute, visit [www.nacacnet.org](http://www.nacacnet.org).

## Apply for a Grant through the Make a Difference Fund

Application Deadline: January 1, 2011

The Make a Difference Fund is entering its second cycle of awarding grants to professional members of NEACAC. Grants awarded from the Make a Difference Fund are designed to support and encourage collaborative relationships and provide professional opportunities for all members.

The purpose of the Fund is to provide monetary support for: innovative pilot programs, ideas or services, and other professional development opportunities that benefit NEACAC members and the constituents they serve; matching grants to attend NACAC or NEACAC conferences, as well as other professional development workshops.

To learn more, go to the *Resources* tab on NEACAC's website (<http://www.neacac.org>) and in the drop down menu click on *Make a Difference Fund Grant Application*.

## Margaret Addis Memorial Scholarship Nominations

The IDEA committee is seeking nominations for the *Margaret Addis Memorial Scholarship (MAMS) Program* for this year's Annual Meeting at the University of New England in Biddeford, ME. *MAMS* recipients also qualify for a year's free membership to NEACAC.

If you or someone you know meet the criteria (information is available on the NEACAC webpage) and would accept this opportunity, if offered, please take a few moments to apply or nominate the person. Please note that you may also nominate yourself. A link to the application can be found under the *Awards* section on the NEACAC main webpage.

Both applications and nominations are strongly encouraged. Nominations are due Monday, December 5th.

If you would like to learn more about this program, or if you have questions, please visit the NEACAC webpage or contact Anne Goodeve, IDEA Committee Member, at [agoodeve@spfldcol.edu](mailto:agoodeve@spfldcol.edu). The direct link to the nomination form is [https://www.neacac.org/awards\\_addis\\_nom.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/awards_addis_nom.cfm).

## National Coalition Seeks to Save Student Aid

Our nation is at a turning point on federal financial aid funding. While the economic crisis has created an historic need for student aid, federal and state governments have decreased support for financial aid programs. School counselors and admission officers are very familiar with the challenges that students and families face in financing the cost of college, but members of Congress are not.

This week, the Student Aid Alliance (<http://studentaidalliance.org/>), a coalition of higher education organizations including NACAC, is calling on professionals who work with students to sign a petition that asks federal legislators to protect student aid funding. The petition can be found on their website at <http://action.studentaidalliance.org/5371/save-student-aid-statement-support/?src=campus>.

Please take a minute to consider joining college presidents, administrators, and students in adding your name to the statement of support for federal student aid programs.

## New Timeline for Bids to Host the Annual Meeting and Conference

Is your institution considering a bid to host the 2014 Annual Meeting and Conference? Don't miss this opportunity to highlight your institution for NEACAC's largest event!

Keep an eye out this winter for the application. The bid application process to host the 2014 Annual Meeting and Conference will be open from January 10, 2012 to April 11, 2012. For a more detailed timeline of the process, please visit: [https://www.neacac.org/am\\_host.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/am_host.cfm).

Any questions on the bid process can be directed to Andrew Rosabianca, AMC Committee Chair, at [a.rosabianca@neu.edu](mailto:a.rosabianca@neu.edu).

## 2012 Annual Meeting and Conference Session Proposals – Deadline Approaching!

The 2012 Annual Meeting and Conference will be held at University of New England from May 30 – June 1. The Programming Committee is seeking your support in submitting session proposals. Proposals are rolling in, so don't miss your chance at presenting at next year's conference. The deadline is November 15

To submit a proposal, please visit: [https://www.neacac.org/am\\_csp.cfm](https://www.neacac.org/am_csp.cfm).

For questions regarding session proposals, please contact Programming Co-Chairs Carmen Pérez at [cperez5@providence.edu](mailto:cperez5@providence.edu) or Jackie Haas at [jhaas@wheelock.edu](mailto:jhaas@wheelock.edu).

## Membership Committee Reminders

- Membership renewal notices have been sent out. If you haven't received one, please notify NEACAC.
- The Member Services Committee is STILL looking for members to join their fun and exciting team as they continue to grow, strengthen, and expand their membership. Committee members must also be members of NEACAC. If you are interested, please contact Karen Gerrior-Mariani of Brandeis University at [kglm@brandeis.edu](mailto:kglm@brandeis.edu).

## Join NEACAC On Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn

Busy? Stay connected to NEACAC with ease! Join the Facebook group "NEACAC" to receive messages, connect with other college admissions professionals, and more. Follow NEACAC on Twitter and receive updates about activities NEACAC conducts in New England and the latest news in the profession!

## Acronyms of the Month

EA: Early Action (also: [NEACAC] Executive Administrator)

REA: Restrictive Early Action

ASSCSI: Advanced Secondary School Counselor Summer Institute

GB: Governing Board

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