



Between Bursars

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The President's Corner

By: Teresa Schmidt
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Spring is in the air!!!

With spring right around the corner, it is time to think about everything that spring offers—longer days, green grass and blooming flowers. Not to mention the personal and professional growth that you can experience by becoming a member of the Board of Trustees. We have many openings for the upcoming year—including Secretary, Four-Year Public College Representative, Membership-at-Large Representative, and President-Elect. All positions are a two-year commitment except for the Membership-At-Large which is a one-year term. Additionally, the OBA is searching for a Webmaster that has experience with WordPress or who is willing to learn the platform. Please consider one of these opportunities—your experience and knowledge would be greatly appreciated.

Lori Frye, President-Elect has been busy planning the Spring Conference that will be held in Columbus from April 4-5. She is bringing back the two-day format allowing schools and business partners to reduce their lodging expenses. The Conference will be held at The Grand Event Center, which was the location of the past Fall Conference. Spring into action today and register at ohiobursars.org. You won't want to miss this opportunity to hear the most up-to-date regulatory developments and network with your colleagues and business partners.

I would also like to take a moment to say thank you for the opportunity to be President over the last year. It has been a very rewarding experience—from working with a great Board of Trustees to planning two conferences to focusing on making the OBA vibrant for years to come. We currently are 52 schools and 19 business partners strong!!! The stronger our membership, the stronger our networking and collaborative sharing of information throughout the state. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Spring Conference in Columbus in April.

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www.ohiobursars.org



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Reasons to Join the OBA Board



You will learn patience. A group of smart and passionate folks sitting around a conference room table can argue and pontificate. They can say stupid things and make the most brilliant observations. And you will learn patience to wade through it.

You will have an experience that enriches your resume. OK, this one is a bit selfish but it's true and it's OK to be honest about it.

You will meet interesting people who will add to your sphere of influence. People who join boards are a wonderful breed. They have chosen to get off the bench and onto the field. You will be enriched by being in their company.

You will learn to play nicely in the sandbox. This is about diplomacy and making sure that your colleagues get their say (even if you think *your* comment said it all). The very best board members are teams.

You will have another excuse to skip the gym. OK, just wanted to be sure you were paying attention.

You will learn how to run an effective meeting of people who don't work for you.

You will stretch all your intellectual and emotional muscles. Board service at its best allows you to bring your full self to the organization – your emotional connection to the work, your commitment to the overall sector, your life experience, your skills, and the good head you have on your shoulders. There are precious few tables you will sit at that will need all of what you bring the way a nonprofit does.

You will fall **more** in love with the OBA. The closer you are to the work of the OBA, the more that work comes to life for you, the more passionate you will become. And you will feel another emotion.

<https://www.joangarry.com/reasons-join-nonprofit-board/>

OBA Spring Conference 2018

Save the dates: April 4th and 5th, 2018

Hosted by **The Ohio State University**

Located in Columbus at:



COURTYARD[®]
Marriott

Courtyard by Marriott Columbus OSU
780 Yard Street
Columbus, OH 43212
P: 614-453-4420

THE *Grand*
EVENT CENTER

The Grand Event Center
820 Goodale Boulevard
Columbus, OH 43212
P: 614-453-4300

Early-bird registration begins on Monday, February 12, 2018 for \$225 for the full conference. Registration after March 9, 2018 will increase to \$250 per person. Registration will close on March 21, 2018.

The two-day conference includes one breakfast, two lunches, one dinner and live entertainment.

Conference topics include:

- Collaborative leadership with multiple generations
- How to get the best from your team
- FDCPA updates
- Leadership Q and A Panel
- COHEAO and NACUBO updates
- A/R Management

“Building the next generation of collaborative leaders, one leader at a time.”



In addition to multiple leadership and collection topics, there will be various networking opportunities with schools and business partners including a live concert by local band, The Fabulous Johnson Brothers. Come join us as we support each other to build better futures for the next generation.

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities



Ohio Bursars Association

Spring Conference

April 4th & 5th, 2018

Columbus, Ohio

www.ohiobursars.org

PDG's National College and University

Bursar's SFS Conference

Hyatt Regency Savannah

April 22nd – 25th, 2018

Savannah, GA

www.prodev.com

NASFAA 2018 National Conference

June 24 – 27, 2018

Washington, DC

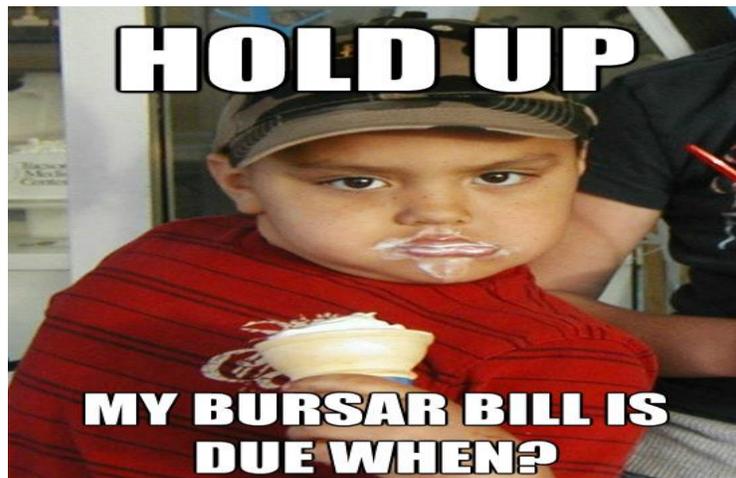
www.nasfaa.org

NACUBO 2018 Annual Meeting

July 21 - 24, 2018

Long Beach, CA

www.nacubo.org





If you haven't already done so, please make sure to submit payment for your annual dues!!!

Proposed Dues Increase - To Be Voted on at the Spring 2018 Conference

For anyone who has planned a conference, you know the immense amount of work that goes into making the event a success. The host is very conscious about making sure to provide the best content possible within the allotted budget. The largest cost, by far, in planning a conference is the food. In the past few years of planning the OBA conferences, it has become overwhelmingly evident that in order to provide the best conference we can, the annual dues that are charged are not sufficient to cover the increasing food/beverage/audio & visual/ and event space costs. While the OBA is currently in a stable financial situation, the board would like to do what we can to ensure that the stability of the organization continues far beyond our years of service. With that said the board would like to propose that the annual school membership dues for the upcoming 18-19 year *increase from \$125 to \$200*. Please note that dues for the organization have not increased since 2013 and prior to that increase it held at the same price for 25 years. Membership includes access to the OBA listserv, complimentary attendance at the Fall meeting, and the ability to attend the Spring conference. If you have any questions or concerns about the price increase, please feel free to reach out to any of the members of the board.