



Between Bursars

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The President's Corner

By: Lori Frye
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The OBA has been a big part of my life over the past year. I have thoroughly enjoyed all the challenges and new faces that have come my way. Now that I have had the privilege to be part of this organization all the way to its core, I can honestly say it has been an extremely rewarding experience, especially to work with such an incredible group of leaders.

As we work to fill open board positions for the next year, please consider the contribution you can make to the OBA. The environment is a warm, collaborative group of professionals at various stages of their career. Most positions only require a two-year commitment and meet 3-4 times annually. In April, we will be voting for new leadership for the OBA, starting with the President-Elect, Treasurer, Two-Year Public Trustee and Membership-At-Large Representative positions. The President-Elect is a three-year commitment that would then progress to President and then end with the Past-President position while the remainder of the positions are two-year commitments.

I would also like to thank those current members of the board; Teresa Schmidt, Clare Bunning, Jasmine Anderson, Tina Mohring, Annetta Keller, Kim Engle, Cory Gadel, John Brautigan, Brian Saponic and Michelle Richards for their hard work and diligence to improve the OBA as an instrument for professional growth and development for our members.

Time to talk Spring Conference! Join us in Cincinnati this April 4th and 5th at the Marriott North located at 6189 Muhlhauser Road, West Chester as our President-Elect Clare Bunning and Xavier University host a packed two-day conference with excellent speakers, food and entertainment. For conference and hotel registration details, please go to <https://www.ohiobursars.org/meetings/> The two-day conference is only \$225.00 for school members if registered by March 4 and includes multiple speakers, four meals and entertainment. The Marriott has also reserved a block of rooms for a special price of \$149.00 per night.

Once again, take advantage of this exciting opportunity to involve yourself with the OBA, whether it be attending meetings, conferences, joining the Board or presenting new processes or procedures that may support other organizations. Shared ideas, new information and support is what continues to make the OBA a healthy working organization.

Thank you for your support,

Lori



Join us in April:

OBA Spring Conference 2019

Behind the Curtain: Acts of Success

April 4th and 5th

Hosted by Xavier University

I cannot believe how fast this semester is flying by! When I accepted the role of President-Elect, I was so excited/intimidated/anxious to begin my role and start planning the Spring Conference. The planning process was a learning experience in itself. I could not have done any of it without the help of my fellow board members and the help of the Xavier's Bursar Office.

The theme for this year's conference is, Behind the Curtain: Acts of Success. As a member of the higher education community, I take great pride in doing my part to help make the next generation of students successful, as I know all of you do as well. There are several facets of success and this conference looks to pull back the curtain on different areas of student success. We will hear from speakers on how we as higher education professionals can do our best to set students up for success in the area of personal finance, mental health, learning and banking styles, and tuition assistance. This conference will also be a great opportunity to network with fellow OBA members and business partners as well as learn the latest in the federal updates and policy. I am so looking forward to seeing you all at the conference and I am ready for the show to go on!

When: April 4th and 5th

Where: Cincinnati Marriott North (located in West Chester, OH)

Registration Now! <https://www.ohiobursars.org/meetings/>

Event Details

- Registration includes two lunches, one breakfast, one dinner and all the coffee you can drink
- Fabulous speakers and food
- We've rented out the Wise Owl Wine Bar which is conveniently located within walking distance from the hotel for a night of refreshments and fun
- Federal updates



Higher Education Updates

House Bill 16--Student loan debt and the cost of college tuition are topics we see in the news a lot these days. Likewise, the difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition is highly scrutinized. In Ohio, the law currently prevents individuals who reside in Ohio primarily to attend institutions of higher learning from receiving in-state tuition; however, there are limited exceptions to that rule. One of the limited exceptions to the general rule is that all state institutions of higher education (defined by Ohio Revised Code 3345.011) must grant residency status for college tuition to active-duty service member, veterans, their spouse and dependent(s) if the eligible individual has established domicile in Ohio *as of the first day of a term of enrollment* in an institution of higher education. The General Assembly is legislating an expansion to that exception.

Introduced on February 12, 2019, House Bill 16 (H.B. 16) would extend residency rights to current and former service members, their spouse and dependent(s) by waiving the domicile deadline requirement if the student: (1) established he/she is an eligible active-duty service member, veteran, spouse or dependent, (2) has accepted full-time employment, and (3) established domicile in Ohio for reasons other than gaining the benefit of favorable tuition rates. H.B. 16 currently has 33 co-sponsors. On February 13, 2019, the bill went to the House Higher Education Committee for review.

To read the full language of 2019 H.B. No. 16 and track its progress, please visit:

<https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA133-HB-16>

(Article submitted by Stacie Hackel Snow, Esq. & Michael Lewis, Esq., Keith D. Weiner & Associates, Co. LPA)

COHEAO Update—

- 1) **Federal Perkins Loan Program**—With the expiration of the Federal Perkins Loan program, COHEAO is working to ensure an orderly wind down of the program that protects the Institutional Capital Contributions of institutions. COHEAO is also advocating to have the ACA tied to collections rather than disbursements in light of the program’s sunset. COHEAO continues to promote a replacement for the program that will allow institutions to continue to fill gaps in funding that may otherwise result in students having to withdraw.
- 2) **COHEAO Workshop**—COHEAO is pleased to announce a one-day workshop on April 10, 2019 at the beautiful campus of Southern Methodist University in Dallas, TX. Topics will focus on affordability, payment options and funding trends and will delve into key topics that impact institutions. Sessions will cover Prior Term Loans, Developing and Managing Institutional Loans, Innovations in Tuition Payment Plans and Best Practices in Third-Party Collections. Workshop attendees can earn CPE credits, so this is a great opportunity for professional development. Visit COHEAO’s website to register or to get more information.
www.COHEAO.org
- 3) **COHEAO Webinar**—COHEAO will be featuring a webinar in March (date TBA) exploring the topic of “Bankruptcy in Higher Education”, presented by Robert Schuenger of Schuenger Law Firm. As a reminder, COHEAO members receive free attendance to three webinars as part of their annual membership benefits.

(COHEAO update provided by Karen Reddick, COHEAO Board of Director and Vice President for Professional Development for National Credit Management.)



Announcement Corner

Pam Hanson, Xavier University, is retiring on Friday, March 29, 2019. Pam started out as a collector and has been the Collections Manager for the past 12 years. We wish Pam a very happy retirement. Now, instead of collecting on past due accounts, she will be collecting Social Security!!! Best wishes to Pam in her retirement.

University of Cincinnati—will be celebrating its Bicentennial in 2019.

The University of Cincinnati traces its origins to the founding in 1819 of Cincinnati College and The Medical College of Ohio (the forerunner to today's UC College of Medicine). January 2019 marked the 200th anniversary of the signing of the charters for both forerunners to today's University of Cincinnati. The University is the 18th oldest public institution.





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2019-2020 Board Openings

Interested in becoming an OBA Board member?? The following Board positions are open for the 2019-2020 year:

- President-Elect
- Treasurer
- Two-Year Public College Representative
- Membership-At-Large Representative



Being a Board member is a great opportunity to get involved and provides professional development.



OBA Board Member Highlights

- **John Brautigam**—John is the Finance Manager, Student Accounts Receivable at John Carroll University. He has worked in higher education for over 13 years. In his current position, John is responsible for the Cashier's Office, overseeing the University collection efforts and is part of the Controller's Office. Prior to joining John Carroll University, he was employed in the collection industry for over 20 years and previously owned a collection agency. An avid outdoorsman, John enjoys spending time with his family, especially his two grandsons.
- **Michelle Richards**—Michelle has been with Mount Carmel College of Nursing for six years, serving as Bursar for the last two. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology at The Ohio State University, and her Master of Business Administration, with concentrations in both leadership and finance, at Ohio Dominican University. As a continuous learner who enjoys a good challenge, Michelle volunteered for the role of Webmaster. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her family (including her three rescue dogs) and friends, trying new recipes, vacationing on Kelley Island with her husband, volunteering in her local community association, and serving as a reunion organizer for her high school class.

Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities

Ohio Bursars Association

Spring Conference

Cincinnati Marriott North

April 4-5, 2019

West Chester, Ohio

www.ohiobursars.org

NACUBO 2019 Student Financial Services

March 24 – 26, 2019

New Orleans, LA

<https://www.nacubo.org>

PDG Bursars SFS Conference

March 31-April 3, 2019

San Antonio, TX

www.prodev.com

