

## WASFAA Update OASFAA Annual Conference January 31 – February 2, 2024

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### **Mission**

An organization dedicated to advancing access to and choice in postsecondary education for students in Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawai'i and the Pacific Islands, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington.

### **Vision**

To cultivate an increasingly educated society by supporting and furthering the work of informed, ethical, and diverse student financial aid administrators and related professionals.







# Why Are Associations Important?



Professional development / growth opportunities

**Training** 





Promoting best practices

Networking and support





Discussion of financial aid issues and strategies

Legislative advocacy





**Research and data** 







Local, state concerns

Specified trainings

Intra-state networking

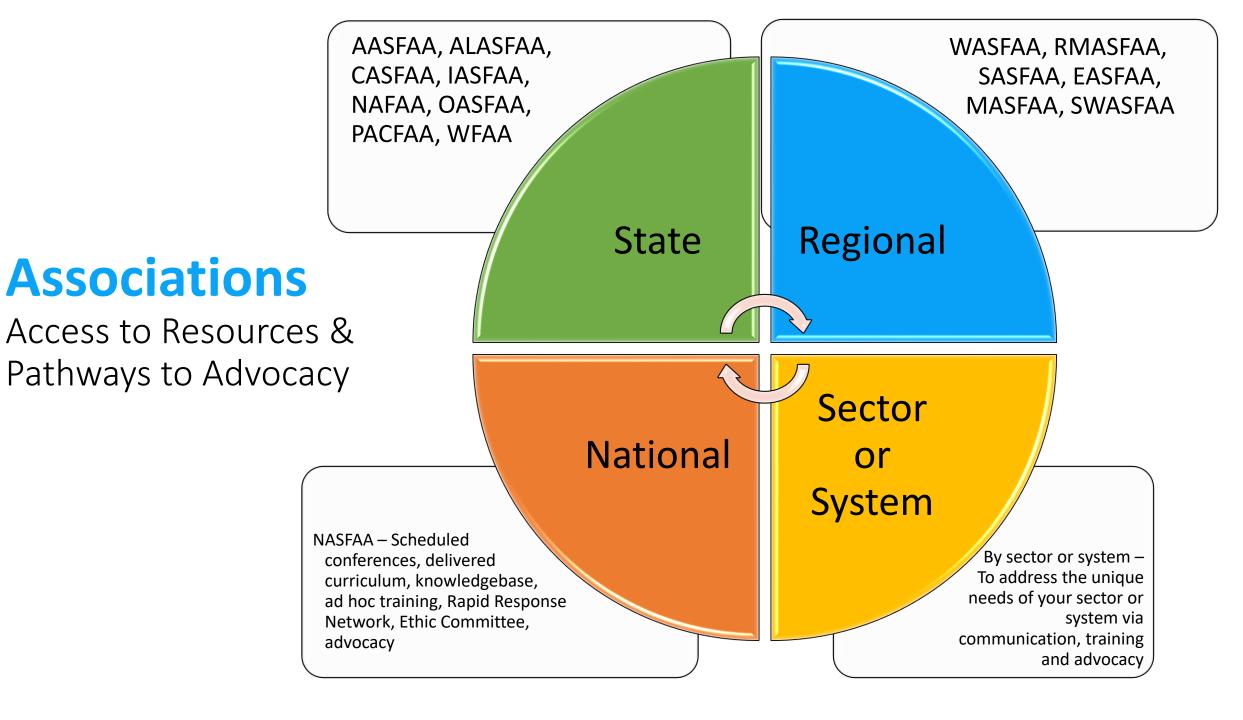
Leadership programs

Advocacy

Mediumscale trainings Advocacy at federal level

Large-scale trainings

Policy clarification



### Investing in Yourself by Engaging and Volunteering



- Identify the skills you can bring to the table & those you want to develop.
- Ask for the support of your supervisor and your family
- Be organized, plan ahead, and commit to attend all meetings or events
- Understand your responsibilities and assignments

But Amanda, where can I volunteer?

#### **Elected & Appointed Board Positions**

President

**President-Elect** 

**Past President** 

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer – Ashley Coleman!

AASFAA (Arizona) President

ALASFAA (Alaska) President

CASFAA (California) President

IASFAA (Idaho) President

NAFAA (Nevada) President

OASFAA (Oregon) President – Carlos Villaroel!

PacFAA (Hawai'i & Pacific Islands) President

WFAA (Washington) President

Representative-at-Large

IDEEA Representative-at-Large

Segmental Representative-at-Large



Awards & Scholarships – Debbie O'Dea!

Communications

Conference

**Electronic Services** 

**Federal Relations** 

Fiscal Planning

Fund Development – Greg Kerr!

**Historical Archives** 

Jerry R. Sims Management & Leadership Institute (MLI)

Membership

Rebekah Hoppel Salcedo Leadership Development Program (LDP)

Sister Dale Brown Summer Institute

Site Selection

**State Presidents** 

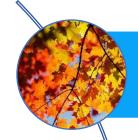
**Training** 

**Travel Coordination** 

Volunteer Development



### **Annual Events**



Fall Regional Training



Rebekah Hoppel Salcedo Leadership Development Program



Jerry R. Sims Management & Leadership Institute



Sister Dale Brown Summer Institute





### **Regional News**

- 2024-25 Board Elections complete!
  - \* President-Elect 3-yr commitment
  - \* Vice President 1-yr
  - \* Secretary 1-yr
  - \* Treasurer-Elect 3-yr
  - \* Inclusion, Diversity, Ethnicity, Equity, Action (IDEEA) Rep-at-Large 1-yr
- Summer Institute June 3-7, 2024 (San Diego, CA or Boise, ID)
- Annual Conference Registration now open!



Annual Conference -- April 8-10, 2024



**Western Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators** 

### Thank you, OASFAA!

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