

# MACRAO Insider

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## Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrar and Admissions Officers

**President's Corner** After a rollercoaster winter, spring is coming! Before all of the sun and fun though, our institutions are oh so busy and MACRAO is here to support you! Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> is the Spring Drive-In Hosted by the Registrars' Practices Committee. It will be an informative event where attendees will be engrossed in dialogue regarding MTA 2.0 (Michigan Transfer Agreement) and 60 Credit Block, as well as roundtable discussions. Registration closes Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Coming up soon, Thursday, April 21st, is the Equity in Education Committee Workshop at Wayne County Community College in Harper Woods. This second-time in history event is sure to be an outstanding professional development opportunity devoted to identifying inequities on our campuses. More information can be found on page 4.

Our Professional Development Workshop is taking place at St. Clair County Community College on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> so please plan to attend as the agenda is full of helpful information to assist with issues that arise in our offices on a daily basis. This an amazing professional development opportunity for all levels of employees in our offices.

Mark your calendars for the Articulation Committee's Summer Summit June 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> at the H Hotel in Midland and the Secondary School Relations Committee New Professionals Workshop August 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> at the Radisson in Lansing. Expect more details soon!

**STRATEGIC PLAN & BUDGET** For the first time in MACRAO's history, the Board of Directors, Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs created an Accountability Report for 2015. The [Accountability Report](#) shows how hard they worked to accomplish their goals last year. For the second time in its history, MACRAO has developed a [Strategic Plan](#) and [Budget](#) for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year. These folks worked extremely hard to ensure that meaningful and measurable strategies were incorporated into our plan again this year. Your feedback is appreciated.

It has been a busy first quarter for MACRAO's Board of Directors and Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs, but we are proud to serve the members. If there is anything we can do to help support you in your role, please do not hesitate to contact me or any other board or committee member. Hope to see you at one of the upcoming workshops!

Libby Bonnell  
President

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# Movers and Shakers

**Kenneth Schaefer**, Associate Director of Transfer Recruitment at Western Michigan University, is retiring on May 30th after 30+ years at WMU and association with MACRAO.

**Nancy Beckett** is the new Manager of Graduation and Enrollment Certification at Wayne State University. She comes to Wayne State from University of Detroit Jesuit High School, where she served as the Registrar for 13 years.

**Kristen Dufty-Stepp** has joined the Aquinas College Admissions Office as the Coordinator of International Admissions/ Admissions Representative. Kristen has worked with international students in Philadelphia and, most recently, at Western Michigan University.

**Jessica LaMarch** has joined Bay College as their new Director of Admission. After over 2 years of success as Bay College's Admissions Recruiter, Jessica LaMarch has accepted the position of Director of Admissions. She came to Bay after a career in private and public industry, including the DeVos Place Convention Center in Grand Rapids and the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Most recently, Jessica worked at Michigan State University College of Human Medicine where she created and developed the Conference Department for the Secchia Center in Grand Rapids.

# Committee Updates

## Legislative Issues Committee

- Click [here](#) to read more about a proposal to pay workers overtime if they make less than \$50,440 per year.
- Click [here](#) to read more about the 2016 Gubernatorial State of the State Addresses and Higher Education from the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.



## Secondary School Relations Committee

The Secondary School Relations Committee will be hosting “MACRAO Meet Ups” for everyone attending the following events. This is a great opportunity to meet and network with other MACRAO professionals!

**OCC Auburn Hills Transfer Fair-** March 30, 11:00 am at Tim Hortons (1292 N. Opdyke Rd, Auburn Hills, MI 48326)

**Lake Michigan College Transfer Fair-** April 6, 2:00 pm at Panera Bread (3260 S Niles Rd, St Joseph, MI 49085)

**Waterford Mott HS Fair-** April 20, Time and Location TBD

# Save the Date

## New Professionals Conference

Thursday, August 18th &  
Friday, August 19th

Radisson Hotel in  
Lansing, MI

All admissions  
professionals with a year  
or less experience  
are invited to attend.  
More details to come!

## Professional Development Workshop

Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016

8:30am-3:30pm

St. Clair County Community  
College- M-TEC Building  
Port Huron, MI

This workshop is focused on  
providing new concepts and  
skills to the support staff mem-  
bers of MACRAO.

## Summer Summit: Elements of Transfer

Hosted by the College  
Articulation Committee

Thursday, June 9th &  
Friday, June 10th

H Hotel in Midland

Possible session topics  
include: Implication of CTE,  
IB, Dual Enrollment, Early  
College Programs; Enhanc-  
ing Transfer Relationships;  
Transfer Articulation  
Maintenance, and more!

## Equity in Education Committee Workshop

*Empowerment In Education*

Thursday, April 21, 2016

9:00am-3:30pm

Wayne Co. Community College's Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center  
Harper Woods, MI

As our mission, the Equity in Education Committee works to promote equitable opportunities within higher education for marginalized populations. At this year's workshop, we will learn from the experts how to enhance our understanding of student needs. Our speakers will inspire you to reflect on your own perspectives, elaborate on programs that work, and help you discover techniques that can be brought back to your institution to effect change. For more information on the workshop, please contact Betsey Rheume at [\(313\) 993-1516](tel:3139931516) or via email at [betsey.konieczki@udmercy.edu](mailto:betsey.konieczki@udmercy.edu).

Make sure to keep an eye on the [MACRAO Meetings and Workshops](#)  
page for more information about these events!

# Join the MACRAO Team!

MACRAO's Nomination Committee is seeking nominations for:

## MACRAO Board of Directors, President-elect (2016-2019)

The president-elect shall (a) act as the chief assistant to the president; (b) be the liaison officer between the Conference Committee chair and the board; (c) serve as the liaison to MACRAO committees; (d) will facilitate leadership development for committees, including oversight of the conference chair and conference committee; and (e) shall be responsible for the annual meeting programs (session proposals/pre-conference workshops content). With approval of the board, the president-elect shall appoint members of committees. The president-elect may also be given special assignments by the president including ex officio membership on the conference committee. The president-elect shall become president at the end of his/her term. The president-elect shall be a voting member of the Board of Directors.

## MACRAO Board of Directors, Treasurer-elect (2016-2019)

The treasurer-elect shall assist the treasurer as directed. The treasurer-elect shall be elected at the start of the third year of the incumbent treasurer's term, serve for one year, and shall then succeed to the position of treasurer for two years. The office of treasurer-elect is a non-voting member until the individual succeeds to the position of treasurer.

## MACRAO Nomination Committee Members

Individuals are needed to bring forward a slate of nominees for the Nomination Committee positions at-large from a:

- 4-Year Public University (2016-2017; 1-Year Term)
- 4-Year Private College/University (2016-2017; 1-Year Term)
- 2-Year College (2016-2017; 1-Year Term)

This is a great opportunity to get more involved in your MACRAO organization. For questions concerning the positions, please e-mail John Meldrum, Past President at [meldrum@oakland.edu](mailto:meldrum@oakland.edu). For nominations, individuals can nominate themselves or someone else who would provide leadership for MACRAO. Please complete the 2016 MACRAO Nomination Form or submit name(s), contact details and the position(s) being nominated to John Meldrum by *Friday, May 20, 2016*.

For the MACRAO Nomination form, please keep an eye on the [website!](#)