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President's Annual Report
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CURRENT NAHSA ACTIVITIES

1. Holmes Partnership® Membership Dues

In the Fall of 2009, NAHSA became a dues paying member of the Holmes Partnership®.

2. NAHSA Presentation

NAHSA was selected to present on its professional development work with the Charleston County School District during the Holmes Partnership® conference. This presentation highlighted the organization's ongoing relationship with the district and addresses the conference theme, *Closing the Achievement Gap*.

3. Revision of By-Laws

NAHSA is continuing progress toward revitalization. The ad hoc by-laws committee (Dr. Hopp, Chair) is slated to have a mock up of the revised by-laws for the review NAHSA members to review during the annual conference in Charleston.

4. Reconstruction of the NAHSA Website

The Board continues its reconstitution of the NAHSA Website (www.nahsa.com). Recent updates include the posting of job openings and a history of NAHSA. The redesign has been facilitated by the ad hoc communications committee (Co-chaired by Drs. Bailey and Gonzales-Worthen).

5. Mentoring of Homes Scholars®

The NAHSA ad hoc mentorship Committee (Dr. Metcalf-Turner, Chair) has collaborated with Dr. Alicia Ardila-Rey and Charles Helm to develop a schedule for the Holmes Scholars'® Annual Conference to include sessions on mentorship, doctoral program completion and entering the workforce.

6. Board Elections and Membership

The nominations committee (Dr. Mark, Chair) advertised the 2010 Board election to take place during the Holmes Partnership® conference. The call for nominations was posted on the NAHSA website.

On January 30, 2010 the following new Board Members were elected and approved by the Board: Drs. Fashaad Crawford and Sheila Moore. Dr. Charissa Marrah was elected to the Board for an additional term as Secretary.

NAHSA Board Members

Dr. Lora Bailey, Dean, School of Education, Brenau University, Gainesville, GA
Dr. Michael Brooks, Assistant Professor, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, AL
Dr. Angela Cozart, School of Education, College of Charleston, SC
Dr. Jacob Easley, II, Associate Professor, School of Education, Mercy College, Bronx, NY
Dr. Socorro Herrera, Director, CIMA, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
Dr. Faye Hicks-Townes, School of Education, College of Charleston, SC
Dr. Carolyn Hopp, College of Education, University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL
Dr. Aretha Marbley, College of Education, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
Dr. Dianne Mark, Dean, College of Education at Coastal Carolina University
Dr. Charissa Marrah, School of Education, College of Charleston, SC
Dr. Janet Mason, Education Consultant, University of South Carolina (Retired)
Dr. Phyllis Metcalf-Turner, College of Education, Illinois State University, Normal, IL
Dr. Keith Riley, IB MYP Health/Physical Educator, Memorial Middle School, Orlando, FL
Dr. Adah Ward-Randolph, Educational Studies, Ohio University, Athens, OH
Dr. Diana Gonzales-Worthen, Director, Teach Them All, Univ. of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

Committee Reports

January 25, 2010

TO: Dr. Jacob Easley II, President
National Association of Holmes Scholars Alumni
FR: Dr. Carolyn Walker Hopp, Chair
By-Laws Review Committee
RE: Committee Report

The following is a report of activity of the By-Laws Committee and results to-date.

Members: Dr. Carolyn Walker Hopp, Chair

Dr. Jacob Easley II

Dr. Charissa Marrah

Dr. Janet Mason

Dr. Diane Worthen

Process

- The committee reviewed the By-Laws individually and made suggested revisions, which were put into the document by the Chair.

- The document was sent to each committee member for a final review and member input.

- For a thorough review and input from each member, the committee teleconferenced beginning in November 2009.

- There were teleconferences in November, December, and January (4) until the entire document was reviewed section by section in preparation for submittal to the membership.

- The document has been revised based on committee input and will be presented to membership for review and approval at the NAHSA annual meeting at the National Holmes Conference, Charleston, SC, January 28-30, 2010.

The Chair would like to acknowledge the commitment of the members of the By-Laws committee and the spirit of collaboration demonstrated in the completion of this important work.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Walker Hopp, Ph.D., Chair

NAHSA By-Laws Committee

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NAHSA
Annual Meeting
Charleston, SC
January 27, 2010

Committee Name: Mentoring

Members: Drs. L. Bailey, D. Gonzalez-Worthen, A. Marbley, Janet Mason, and P. Metcalf-Turner, (Chair) pmetcal@ilstu.edu or (309) 438-5425

2009 Activities

The committee reviewed a copy of the NAHSA Mentor Interest Form (provided by Dr. A. Marbley) that was used to identify/recruit alums.

The committee also reviewed the Holmes Scholar Survey (provided by Dr. Ardilia-Rey, AACTE). Several suggested revisions were made to solicit more explicit information to aid in matching mentors and mentees.

For the annual Holmes Partnership Conference the Mentoring Committee worked to organize the pre-conference Scholars portion of the conference. Specifically, the committee identified three major questions that should be the major topics for the Mentoring sessions:

1. *"The Value of Mentoring—What Do You Hope to Get Out of the Mentoring Relationship?"*
2. *How To Seek a Mentor*
3. *How To Maintain the Mentoring Relationship*

Also, the organization of the day was determined including afternoon Breakout Sessions that would extend the keynote co-presentations by Drs. Blanchett and Bailey and Ms. Nganga (Holmes Scholar) and would be facilitated by NAHSA Board members.

Dr. Wanda Blanchett was nominated to be the first co-presenter to open the pre-conference and establish the context.

Dr. Lora Bailey also was invited to co-present during the morning session and she proposed inviting a Holmes Scholar (**Christine Nganga**) to co-present with her.

The committee also was charged with identifying the criteria that may be used to match scholars and alums. The proposed criteria include:

- Discipline and/or research interest(s)

- Disposition (e.g. whether or not the Scholar is a dependent learner or independent learner; what kind of teacher is the alum?) It was noted that this can only be ascertained through interaction.

- Identification of their needs—What do they feel they most need mentoring in/for? This is an item that was suggested to also be included in the Holmes Scholar survey.
- Ask each Scholar to list your race and/ethnicity.
- What have you done with your mentor since we last met? Share examples of the nature of your interactions/activities.
- List potential mentors that you may like to work with.
- Also, include a statement on the Mentoring Interest Form that informs that their signature indicates a willingness/commitment

January 30, 2010

From: Dr. Keith D. Riley
Chairman, Membership Committee
To: All NAHSA Members
Subject: Annual Report

1. Membership Committee Concept solidified during the Summer Retreat at Brenau University.
2. Initial Membership list Compile by Ms. Juana Almonte, Grad Assistant, Mercy College.
3. NAHSA Membership Dues were revised by Dr. Riley and ratified by the board.
4. NAHSA Membership Application re-created and updated by Dr. Riley (see Appendix).
5. Continue to locate and recruit Alumni in an effort to increase our membership base.

This concludes the update concerning the activities of the membership committee.

Sincerely,
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To: NAHSA Members
 From: Dianne Mark, Nomination/Election Chair – 2010
 Date: February 1, 2010
 Re: Elections Report

There were four positions open on the NAHSA Board to begin July, 2010. They were as follows:

Position	Previously held by	Description of duties
Secretary	C. Marrah	The Secretary shall record the Minutes of all meetings of members, the Board of Directors, and the Executive Committee. The Secretary shall collaborate with the President/Chairperson of the Board to ensure timely communication to the Membership. The Secretary shall, in general, perform such other duties as are incident to the office of Secretary and as may be assigned to him or her by the Board, President/Chair of the Board, or Vice President.
Member-at-Large (A)	A. Ward-Randolph	All members duly elected or appointed by the Board are expected to attend regularly scheduled meetings of the standing Committees.
Member at Large (J)	M. Brooks	All members duly elected or appointed by the Board are expected to attend regularly scheduled meetings of the standing Committees.
Member-at-Large (Open) ¹	S. Herrera	All members duly elected or appointed by the Board are expected to attend regularly scheduled meetings of the standing Committees.

A call for nominations was sent out through NAHSA's google.com site from January 11th – January 27th. Those individuals nominated were contacted to confirm their acceptance and elections were held on January 30th during the NAHSA board meeting. The results of the election are as follows and each new member will be notified of these results:

Member-at-Large (A) – vacant
 Member-at-Large (J) – Sheila Moore
 Member-at-Large (Open) – Fashaad Crawford
 Secretary – Charissa Marrah

¹ The term of this position will end June 30, 2012.