What is PASFAA?
and
How Can PASFAA Help YOU?
The Pennsylvania Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (PASFAA) is a dynamic, service association whose mission is:

- To provide for the professional development of members and other constituencies,
- To advocate for access to post-secondary education, and
- To educate the public on financial aid and funding opportunities.
PASFAA: We Are ...

an all-volunteer organization comprised of 943 members, affiliated with 212 different institutions

- **Membership Categories**
  - 647 Regular Members
  - 296 Associate Members
  - 1 Retired Member
  - 1 Student Member
  - 20 Life Members

- **Sector Categories**
  - 81 Business, Trade & Technical
  - 55 Inst’l Support Services
  - 18 Nursing
  - 438 Private
  - 79 Public Two-Year
  - 79 PASSHE
  - 157 State Related
  - 8 Graduate School
  - 6 Other
# PASFAA Council

## Our Elected Leadership

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PASFAA Standing Committees

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- Fundamentals
- Leadership Development
- Spring Training
- Support Staff
- (Guidance) Counselor Workshop
- Webinar

Subcommittees:
- NextPAGE/Shadowing
- NextPAGE/Mentoring
- Scholarship
- PASFAA Post (Newsletter)
- Historian

Additional committees may be created by Council as needed to address specific needs of the Association, such as Strategic Planning.
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- Public Relations & Development Policy

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PASFAA Committee Duties

from the PASFAA Policy & Procedures Manual

- **Conference Committee** has the responsibility of planning all aspects of the annual PASFAA conference.
- **Finance & Development Committee**: To monitor the financial viability of the Association, manage the sponsor solicitation process, and to recommend to Council appropriate courses of action to ensure financial strength including but not limited to development activities, investment policy, and budgeting.
- **Government Relations Committee**: To educate the membership concerning federal and state legislative, political, and regulatory matters, and to represent the Association with respect to legislative, political, and regulatory interests to governmental and quasi-governmental agencies.
- **Membership & Governance Committee**: Manage the membership and election matters of the organization.
- **Financial Aid Awareness**: To educate the public about financial aid, while promoting an awareness of PASFAA and its mission to parents, students, high school and guidance staffs, the financial aid community and the community at large. Inform the public of new initiatives in financing higher education/savings mechanisms.
- **Technology Advisory and Electronic Initiatives**: Provide updates, information and services on technological and electronic initiatives relevant to the association.
  - **Web/ATAC Representative Subcommittee**: To manage the association’s internet presence, primarily by serving as a liaison between the association and Administrative Technical Access Center (ATAC)
PASFAA Committee Duties (continued)
from the PASFAA Policy & Procedures Manual

- **Communications Committee**: This committee’s purpose is to develop and provide opportunities for consistent, effective communications, branding, and marketing. The committee should make PASFAA more visible, in a positive manner, to our members and non-members.

- **Communications Committee Subcommittees**:
  - **Newsletter**: this sub-committee is responsible for the Association’s newsletter that is published four times a year. Newsletter Committee members write topical articles, interview experts in the field, determine what new topics are acceptable for publishing and solicit feedback from colleagues.
  - **Nextpage/Mentoring**: Provide new financial aid administrators (mentees) with seasoned, experienced financial aid administrators (mentors) to assist them in building a career in financial aid.
  - **NextPAGE/Shadowing**: Provide newer financial aid administrators with a hands-on opportunity to observe the best practices of Directors and their staff, to include operations, meeting and time management, human resource and leadership skills. The program would provide an opportunity to experience an office through another lens and to form relationships with colleagues.
  - **Scholarship**: This committee organizes the PASFAA Student Scholarship
  - **Historian**: To preserve the history of the Association in terms of historical documents (i.e., PASFAA Post, minutes, directories, website, etc...); To serve as a liaison to the Executive Council and as the clearinghouse for historical documents.
Pennsylvania Financial Aid Training (PFAT): To provide for the training needs of the association as established by PASFAA.

PFAT Subcommittees:

- **Don Raley Institute**: To plan a training program for new or inexperienced financial aid administrators focusing on basic principles of the administration of student financial aid.
- **Fundamentals Workshop**: To plan a pre-conference training program for new or inexperienced financial aid administrators.
- **Leadership Development**: To plan and provide a pre-conference workshop for members who aspire to leadership positions within the association.
- **Spring Training and Support Staff Workshop**: To plan and provide one day training workshops. The workshops will incorporate discussion and training on issues pertinent to support staff in the financial aid office and related offices.
- **(Guidance) Counselor Workshop**: To work in conjunction with PHEAA to provide financial aid training for counselors of high schools, government agencies and private organizations.
- **Webinar**: To provide timely webinar training on issues pertinent to members.
Leadership Opportunities through Elected Office and Committee Membership, along with Conferences, Training, and Outreach lead to:

- *Professional networking* for you
- *Improved office operations and technical expertise* for your aid office because of what you learn formally and informally from colleagues and then bring back to your office
- Development of *legislative awareness and advocacy skills*.
PASFAA and YOU ...

What questions can we answer for you about getting more involved?

(If you need help thinking of questions, the next slide has examples of questions you may be interested in hearing the presenters and PASFAA leaders discuss)

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Example questions for today’s PASFAA leaders and presenters:

▪ What was your favorite PASFAA committee experience?
▪ Why did you choose to run for a PASFAA office?
▪ How did PASFAA volunteerism make you a more confident aid/aid-related professional?
▪ Who was a PASFAA colleague who made a difference in your career, and how/why?
▪ What is one benefit you received through networking with PASFAA peers?
▪ How Did PASFAA connect you to EASFAA and NASFAA?