

# The “Roundtable” Roundup



## Membership Information:

The updated contact information for Roundtable Participants can be found at [www.pasfaa.org/wpacsr](http://www.pasfaa.org/wpacsr).

## Attendance:

**T**here were 30 people in attendance at the May 15, 2018, Roundtable meeting at La Roche College. **Amy Davis, AIU3; Wendy Dunlap, PHEAA; Danielle Ball, La Roche; Patrick Bendel, New Century Careers; Linda Ebel, Citizens Hospital SON; Julie Fontana, PHEAA; Jayeann Harr, PHEAA; Stephanie Hendershot, RMU; Shawn Jones, IUP; Kammy Kemmer, JobCorps; Patrick Lee, N. Strabane Twsp. PD; Melan Leonardo, PSU Greater Allegheny; Sherryl Lisco, La Roche; Juli Louttit, BC3; Patti McCarthy, IUP; Pheena McCaskill, CCAC North; Kim McCurdy, PHEAA; Kim Nemec, West Liberty; Melony Ohalek, Sallie Mae; Shari Payne, Waynesburg; Peggy Schmiedecke, La Roche; Amy Sloan, PHEAA; Kelly Spanos, DHS; Michael White, SRU; Tracy York, Career Trng. Academy; Denise Fisher, PTC; Amy LaSota, Bidwell Training; Lorie Johnson, OSHO-GCC; Evan Shaw, Rep. Rothfus’s Office**

## Speaker:

Michelle Gwinn Nutter, Safe and Supportive Schools Manager for the Center for Safe Schools in Harrisburg spoke on “School Safety in a Positive School Climate.” Her slides are provided for your reference. There was some great discussion and School Safety Officer Lee from Canon-McMillan mentioned some of the things they sometimes see in regards to safety. Michelle is available to come to schools, to provide training and assessments, and to be a resource. Her email is [mnutter@csc.csiu.org](mailto:mnutter@csc.csiu.org) and their website is [www.SafeSchool.info](http://www.SafeSchool.info).

## Old Business:

### Committee Reports

**Constitution and ByLaws:** The bylaws, which were distributed in the RSVP for the meeting were voted on and accepted unanimously by the membership in attendance. The final version, which had been sent, will be posted on the WPACSR website for your review.

**Transition:** The Student Transition Forum was held on May 14, 2018, at the AIU3. Students from five secondary schools attended for a total of 32 students. The students had three breakout sessions to choose from throughout the day and lunch was provided utilizing the grant that we won earlier this year. The grant was also used to purchase “The Missing Semester” books. Surveys were collected and every speaker and session received marks of good or excellent. Students also commented they felt this was a good use of their day, they appreciated the interactive sessions, and found the information useful as they prepare their transition to postsecondary. Thanks to Jay Oriola from Investing Now for kicking off the day with a very inspirational and informative discussion. Thanks to all of the presenters and to the teachers and counselors who brought their students out. Thanks to IUP and La Roche for the donation of bags to hand out to the students

and for everyone who contributed items and resources.

The timing of the event will be changed to March for next year. This will allow more schools to bring students. The program has grown, and we hope to continue to do so in the future.

## **New Business:**

### **PACAC Update:**

**PPALC:** Six participants (from PASFAA or PACAC) have completed their Credential so far. There is still one more chance – by attending the CAF (see below) and then completing your visit, you can earn your credential as well. Contact Kim McCurdy for more details – [kmccurdy@pheaa.org](mailto:kmccurdy@pheaa.org).

**College Access Forum:** Registration is open for the May 21 Forum in Harrisburg. The theme is “All politics is local.” Sessions from the program can count for your Advocacy Leadership Credential. See more information and registration here: <http://www.pacac.org/college-access-forum>

**PACAC Conference:** Registration is open for the annual conference at Kalahari Resort on June 24-26. Information and Registration is available here: <https://pacac.memberclicks.net/annual-conference>

### **PASFAA Update:**

**Advocacy Update:** PASFAA Government Relations Committee Members attended their annual Walk the Hill event in Washington DC, May 7-9. They started with a visit to the NASFAA offices, and then spoke to legislators regarding the PROSPER Act and college affordability.

**PASFAA Conference:** Will be held at the Penn Stater October 22-24. Registration will be available soon.

**CollegeBoard Workshop** – the in-person training will be held at RMU on September 14, 2018. Registration is available at <https://counselors.collegeboard.org/professional-learning/workshops>

**National College Access Network (NCAN)** Conference will be held in Pittsburgh – September 24-26. Registration is now open at <https://members.collegeaccess.org/cgi-bin/eventsdll.dll/EventInfo?sessionaltcd=ANNUAL2018>

**Sallie Mae** – Melony provided an update on their scholarship, showing their \$25k winner from last year (a student from Central Cambria High School in PA). Bridging the Dream Scholarship nominations for 18-19 will be available to high school counselors and community organizations starting August 23 – September 22, 2018. Stay tuned for more information soon.

**Roundtable Retreat:** We will once again have the Retreat on July 24, 2018 at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. If you have a topic or speaker that you would like to hear that would benefit our group, please let me know as soon as possible. Email me their name, contact information, and why you think they would be a good fit for our group as we look ahead to next year. [wdunlap@pheaa.org](mailto:wdunlap@pheaa.org)

### **Future Roundtable Meetings**

- Tuesday, July 24, 2018 – Roundtable Retreat – Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 616 N. Highland Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206 – 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 11, 2018 – Robert Morris University
- Tuesday, November 13, 2018 – Waynesburg University – Southpointe location
- Tuesday, January 8, 2019 – Penn State Greater Allegheny
- Tuesday, January 29, 2019 – College Success Forum at RMU – Yorktown Hall
- Tuesday, March 12, 2019 – Career Training Academy in Lower Burrell

- Tuesday, May 14, 2019 – Indiana University of PA – Main Campus – Indiana, PA (will confirm)

Check in with take place from 8:00AM - 9:00 AM. Sign PROCEED at 9:00 AM and conclude by 12:00 PM

NORTHWEST				
1	05/21/18	Region 10	Eno	Andy Dean
2	05/21/18	Delaware County Career Center	Shippensburg	Andy Dean
3	05/21/18	Washington State	Onyx City	Andy Dean
4	05/21/18	Southwest District - Delaware County	Clearfield	Marka Hagaman
5	05/21/18	Allegheny Pittsburgh of Bradford	Bradford	Marka Hagaman
		Marka Hagaman - mhagaman@phea.org	Andy Dean - andy@pasfaa.org	
MIDDLEWEST				
6	05/21/18	CCAC North Campus	Pittsburgh	Kimberly McComb
7	05/21/18	Allegheny Intermediate District	Harrisburg	Kimberly McComb
		Kimberly McComb - kmccomb@phea.org		
SOUTHWEST				
8	05/21/18	Allegheny Pittsburgh of Berks	Shippensburg	James Hart
9	05/21/18	West State Fayette State Center	Lancaster	James Hart
10	05/21/18	North Blue/Beaver Campus	Warren	Wendy Dunlap
11	05/21/18	Washington County Hilltop/Highway Center	Cherryvale	James Hart
12	05/21/18	ECI - Cherryvale Top Campus	Cherryvale	Wendy Dunlap
		Wendy Dunlap - wdunlap@phea.org	James Hart - jhart@phea.org	
SOUTH CENTRAL				
13	05/21/18	Juniata College	Harrisburg	Earl Wiley
14	05/21/18	Pittsburgh-Seneca University College	Johannesburg	Julia Fontana
15	05/21/18	West Virginia State	Rocky Hill	Earl Wiley
16	05/21/18	West Virginia State	Johnstown	Earl Wiley
17	05/21/18	West Virginia State	Hubbard	Julia Fontana
		Earl Wiley - ewiley@phea.org	Julia Fontana - jfontana@phea.org	



**PHEAA State Grant and Counselor Workshop Dates:**

Click these documents for the PDFs

**SAVE THE DATE**

**State Grant Summer Training Events!**

Summer 2018 Distance Education Reporting Webinars  
 May 8, 2018 – 1 PM – 2 PM  
 May 17, 2018 – 10 AM – 12 PM

2018-19 State Grant Program Workshops  
 June 12, 2018 – PHEAA Headquarters  
 June 14, 2018 – Delaware County Community College  
 June 19, 2018 – Community College of Allegheny County - Soyuz Campus  
 July 10, 2018 – La Salle University  
 July 12, 2018 – King's College  
 July 18, 2018 – Westmoreland County Community College

Registrations will become available on PHEAA.org/training in the coming weeks!

**Thanks so much to Peggy Schmiedecke and La Roche College for hosting our group.**

**Special thanks to our speaker Michelle Gwinn-Nutter from the Center for Safe Schools. We appreciate all of you for your support and efforts.**

**\*\*\*From Kim – For those of you who weren't at the meeting, I passed the presidency over to Wendy Dunlap. She will do a fabulous job sustaining the work we've done and moving our group forward. I will serve in the Past President capacity, helping where I can and remaining an active member of the group. Thanks for being a part of the last 6 years!**