



NEASFAA

Nebraska Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

Time	Scheduled Activity	Presenter/Moderator
THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021		
9:00 to 9:30 CST 8:00 MST	Welcome & NeASFAA Update	Renee Besse, NeASFAA President M - Kimberly Vanosdall
9:30 to 10:00 8:30 MST	State Update & Update from NeASFAA's State and Federal Relations Committee	Ritchie Morrow, CCPE Diana Oglesby, SFRC M - Kimberly Vanosdall
10:00 to 10:45 9:00 MST	Trends in Education Our discussion will review trends in higher education in areas such as enrollment, cost of attendance, private student loans and federal grants and loans. This presentation will also review recent studies on the value of a college education. In addition to reviewing opinions on if college is worth it, the results also touch on average debt, payment-to-income ratios and average annual income by education.	Robb Cummings, Sallie Mae M - Paula Kohles
10:45 to 11:00 9:45 MST	Break	
11:00 to 12:00 10:00 MST	Federal Update The Federal Update presentation will describe the most recently approved guidance from the U.S. Department of Education and the office of Federal Student Aid as it relates to the Title IV programs. Statutory and regulatory updates will be provided as well as operational updates and reminders.	David Bartlett, Department of Education M - Ritchie Morrow
12:00 to 1:00 11:00 MST	Lunch Break	
1:00 to 1:45 12:00 MST	R2T4 In this session, we will cover the basic principles of R2T4, how the R2T4 calculation works, and the new regulations regarding R2T4 and programs offered in modules.	Bailey Jorgensen, Clarkson College M - Robb Cummings
1:45 to 2:00 12:45 MST	Break	



<p>2:00 to 3:00 1:00 MST</p>	<p>Funding Sources/What the EFA Outside funding resources can make a significant difference in helping students finance their education. What outside funding resources are available to your students? How do they (and you) find out about them? How do they impact your packaging and reporting procedures? If you are asking yourself these and other questions, please join Anna, Doug and Stacy for a discussion about the ins and outs of working with outside aid resources.</p>	<p>Stacy Dieckman, Northeast Anna Plank, UNL Doug Watson, Midland University M - Susan Collins</p>
<p>3:30 to 4:30 2:30 MST</p>	<p>Entertainment</p>	<p>Wendy Matulka, PDRC</p>





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FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021		
9:00 to 10:00 CST 8:00 MST	NASFAA Update	Justin Draeger, NASFAA M - Mary Sommers
10:00 to 10:15 9:00 MST	Break	
10:15 to 11:00 9:15 MST	Verification If verification wasn't already tricky enough, we now have a global pandemic to add to the challenge. Learn about the verification requirements for 2021-2022, including relief and other issues related to COVID-19. We will also discuss a few complicated scenarios that my team has come across, and how we resolved those to complete verification.	Lindsey Barta, Inceptia M - Dennis Wentworth
11:00 to 11:15 10:00 MST	Break	
11:15 to 12:15 10:15 MST	Calendars, Modules, Title IV This session will outline the three types of academic calendars -- standard term, non-standard term, and non-term. In addition, we will do a deeper dive into the concept of modules and how those affect Pell, Direct Loans, and R2T4. Finally, details around what to do with summer terms and intersessions will help round out your understanding of academic calendars!	David Bartlett, Department of Education M - Sheila Johns
12:15 to 1:00 11:15 MST	Lunch Break	
1:00 to 1:30 12:00 MST	RMAFAA Update Wyobraska & Summer Institute Invitation	Christal Williams, RMAFAA President Justin Chase Brown, RMAFAA Vice President – Elect Becca Dobry, RMAFAA Conference Co-Chair
1:30 to 3:00 12:30 MST	Business Meeting & Award Recognition	Renee Besse, NeASFAA President



PRESENTER BIOGRAPHIES

Justin Draeger is President and CEO of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. He serves as the primary voice of NASFAA and as the liaison between the association members, the U.S. Congress, federal agencies and the media. Most of Justin's career has been devoted to assisting disadvantaged populations achieve their educational goals and better their communities. Since 2002, Justin has been engaged in either administering, interpreting, communicating, or developing student financial aid policy. His prior experiences include working as a financial aid director, regulatory and policy analyst, and spokesperson. He has held senior positions overseeing government relations, communications, and policy work. Justin is frequently quoted in the press and has appeared on The Today Show on NBC, National Public Radio, APM's Marketplace, Fox Business News, CNBC, and C-SPAN, and is often quoted in national news outlets. Justin currently serves on the boards of directors of Baker College, the Association Mutual Health Insurance Company, the Northwood Education Foundation, and other organizations that promote health and education. He earned his undergraduate from Brigham Young University and his MBA from Baker College. Justin lives in Fairfax, VA with his wife and three children, where he spends his free time shuttling children to various events, bicycling, motorcycling, playing racquetball, and running.

David Bartlett is a Training Officer with the U.S. Department of Education in Kansas City. David has had the privilege to work in the student aid industry for over 26 years at the U.S. Department of Education. He has been involved in delivering and developing training at Federal Student Aid (FSA) for 23 years, holding the post of Training Officer for 17 years.

Lindsey Barta holds nearly 10 years of experience in the financial aid profession. Lindsey is currently the Director of Financial Aid Operations at Inceptia, a third-party servicer for verification. Prior to Inceptia, Lindsey spent over five years in the Financial Aid Office at Southeast Community College, holding a work-study position while a student there and serving as a Financial Aid Technician after graduating. She holds an Associate's degree in Business Administration from SCC and a Bachelor's degree in Professional Studies in Business from Doane University.

Robb Cummings, Director of Relationship Management for Sallie Mae, has worked in the student financial aid industry for the past twenty-six years. He has been active on both the state and regional level. He has served the Rocky Mountain Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (RMASFAA) as the Chair for the Rocky Mountain Summer Institute, Associate Member Delegate, Corporate Development Chair, Electronic Initiatives Chair, and on various other committees. Robb has also served in KASFAA, NeASFAA, SDASFAA, and NDASFAA. A graduate of Washburn University with a BBA degree in Marketing and Management, Robb resides in Topeka, KS.

Stacy Dieckman is the Director of Financial Aid at Northeast Community College and has been in financial aid for 14 years. She has held the following positions with NeASFAA, 2-year Public Sector Representative, President Elect, President and Past President. Stacy and her sister own a farm in Norfolk where they have a few cattle and participate in local farmers markets.



Bailey Jorgensen works at Clarkson College and has over 16 years of financial aid experience. She has a Bachelor's Degree from Wayne State and a Master's in Higher Education from the University of Nebraska - Lincoln. She has volunteered with NeASFAA and RNASFAA in several capacities. Bailey and her husband, Mike, have 2 daughters, Harlow who is 6 and Sloane who is 4. She enjoys camping, visiting Nebraska wineries, cooking and DIY projects.

J. Ritchie Morrow is the Financial Aid Officer with Nebraska's Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education. He coordinates the awarding of the Nebraska Opportunity Grant and the Access College Early (ACE) Scholarship, updates the FAFSA Completion website, works on numerous reports published by the Commission, and helps to develop policy recommendations presented to the Nebraska Legislature and Governor. He has worked at the Commission since 2003. Previously, he was employed in the financial aid offices at Indiana University – Bloomington, the University of Nebraska at Kearney, Wayne State College, and the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Ritchie is a life-long Nebraskan, originally from Kearney. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Education from UNK with the idea of teaching business to high school students. Instead he enrolled in the Higher Education Administration program at IU where he graduated with a Master's of Science in Education. He and his wife of 25 years, Amber, have one son, James, who is a junior at UNO studying Political Science with a concentration in Foreign and National Security Affairs, and an adopted daughter, Jocee, that lives in China.

Diana Oglesby has been in the Financial Aid arena for approximately 27 years. She started her career in 1991 at NEBHELP, which was later Unipac, and now Nelnet. Diana served as a Customer Service Coordinator and Department Trainer until 2000. Early in 2000, Diana joined the Nebraska Student Loan Program (NSLP) as a Program Reviewer, Policy Analyst, and Trainer. She stayed in that position until 2013. In September 2016, Diana joined Southeast Community College as an Associate Director of Financial Aid, Compliance, and Quality Assurance. In August of 2019, Diana moved to SCC's Access, Equity, Diversity, and Compliance Office where her primary focus is Institutional Compliance.

Anna Plank serves the University of Nebraska-Lincoln as the assistant director for special circumstances. Her focus is on professional judgement cases, high need/high risk students, and study abroad financial aid. She has been involved in financial aid for almost 40 years, beginning as a student worker and working for four different institutions. She has been at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln for twenty years. Anna and her husband, Gary, are "Lovey and Skipper" to three perfect grandchildren.

Doug Watson started working in higher education in 1981 at Midland Lutheran College, now Midland University. He has served in a number of higher education positions and currently is the Director of Financial Aid and Express Services and the Primary Designated School Official (PDSO) for SEVIS, working with international students. Doug is a past president of NEASFAA and has served on a number of state and regional committees and currently serves on the NEASFAA State and Federal Relations Committee. He is also a recipient of the NEASFAA's Bob Minturn award.



SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR ASSOCIATE MEMBERS!

