RIASFAA Conference
June 14, 2017

Business meeting called to order at 9:08am by RIASFAA current President, Ed Maroney

Welcoming Remarks, Ed Maroney, President
- Thank you to URI for hosting the October 2016 conference
  - Silent Auction raised $500 in the fall
- Introduction of RIASFAA board and thank you for their hard work
- Thank you to conference committee
- Member dues will be increasing from $250 per year to $300 per year
- Meet & Greet at Chelo’s in Warwick was held June 1
  - Networking event
  - Hope to hold another event in Fall 2017
- FAFSA Completion Nights
  - Thank you to all who volunteered
- Thank you to the lenders/vendors for attending the conference
- Thank you to those who are running for positions
- Looking for more volunteers and more involvement from members in the coming year
- Motion: To approve President’s report
- Vote: Motion carried

Treasurer’s Report, Stacey Pettella, Treasurer
- June report and ending balances
- Member dues statements will be sent in July with a due date of October 1
- Scholarships increased to 4 $500 awards
  - Thanks to silent auctions held at Fall meetings
- Motion: To approve budget and treasurer’s report
- Vote: Motion carried

Secretary’s report, Melissa Donahue
- Motion: To approve minutes from October 2016 conference
- Vote: Motion carried

New Members
- Introduction of all attending members to familiarize members with each other

New Business
- None
Old Business
• None

College Planning Center, Charlie Kelley
• Busier year round due to early FAFSA
• More early outreach being performed by the Center regarding FAFSA, Common App
• Statistics regarding completion rates around the state
  o Johnston 77%
  o Mt. Hope 70%
  o Middletown 81%
  o Rogers 35%
  o Paul Cufee School 100%

RI Office of Post Secondary Commissioner, Michael Joyce
• Update on status of awards and timing for 17/18
  o DCYF
  o College Crusade
• Former Rhode Island Promise Program
  o Finalize information from 16/17
• No update regarding the Rhode Island Promise tuition benefit proposed by Gov. Raimondo

EASFAA update, Wynette Zuppardi, EASFAA Past President
• Thank you RIASFAA presidents for EASFAA participation
• Kristi Jovell is new EASFAA President
• Upcoming conferences
  o 2018 – The Saramore in Lake George, NY
  o 2019 – Portland, ME
• Upcoming Initiatives
  o More training
  o Expanding volunteer opportunities
  o Strengthen relationships with member states
  o EASFAA Leads
    ▪ Online and in person trainings
    ▪ Webinar Series called Tuesdays at 2
  o NASFAA Credential training
    ▪ Will be in person for 17/18
• 17/18 training topic will be Conflicting Info & C Flags
• EASFAA Elections has 3 positions open
  o President Elect
  o Secretary
  o Vice President

Scholarship Announcements, Bonnie Saccucci, University of Rhode Island
• 2 Pell scholarships for $500
  o Students from URI & RIC
• 2 Amaral scholarships for $500
  o Students from RWU & URI

Nominations Committee, Sandra Oliveria, RIASFAA Past President
• Introduction of nominees
  o President Elect: Anne McDermott, Salve Regina University
  o Vice President: Monica Marcotrigiano, JWU
  o Treasurer: Megan Payne, JWU; Joanna Nagelhout, Brown
Secretary: Melissa Donahue, University of Rhode Island

- Nominations from the floor is called
- No nominations from the floor
- Ballots passed out

Business meeting adjourned at 9:44am by current President, Ed Maroney

“Protecting your Financial Aid Infrastructure in Cyberspace” Matthew Wardle, Office of the Inspector General, Technology Crimes Division
- Financial aid data protection
- Personal data protection

Election Results
- President Elect, Anne McDermott
- Vice President, Monica Marcotrigiano
- Treasurer, Joanna Nagelhout
- Secretary, Melissa Donahue

Federal Update, Betsy Mayotte, ASA
- Predictions of what may be coming, changes based on current political climate

Event adjourned