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Happy Spring to everyone! Hopefully you have been able to catch your breath for a few moments before the rush of commencement is upon us. Some of you will be attending AACRAO in New Orleans April 21-24. We have a great representation from Illinois, including a large number of presenters. What a remarkable tribute to the great members we have!

Speaking of great presenters, Courtney Kohn Sanders and her team are still looking for presenters for the fall conference and they have been putting together some great activities for our fall conference in Alsip. We were able to secure some great room rates that will help in these budget-conscious times. I hope that you will plan to attend and share the great things you are doing at your colleges. It is the networking and sharing of ideas that is, in my opinion, one of the greatest benefits of IACRAO membership. I have learned so much from my colleagues at both 2 year and 4 year schools that I have been able to take back to my college to make our processes and office a better place. I hope that you have been able to do the same! If you have ideas on how to make IACRAO better for you and your colleagues, please don't hesitate to send an email to any of our executive board members.

Wishing everyone a wonderful spring and that you get the chance to stop and smell the roses (and other flowers) during this beautiful weather.

Tracy



**President-elect**

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The theme has been set for the 2010 IACRAO state conference! Come and "Get Your Game On" October 26th-29th, 2010 at the Doubletree Hotel in Alsip, IL. The conference committee is working very hard to make this a great conference for you. If you have an idea for a session or would like to present yourself, please contact [ckohn@robertmorris.edu](mailto:ckohn@robertmorris.edu) as we are still looking for a few slots to fill. We look forward to seeing you in October!



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Please put a hold on your calendar for our annual meeting October 26th-29th, 2010! It will be here before you know it.

The 2010 IACRAO Scholarship applications are now available at [www.iacrao.org](http://www.iacrao.org). The transfer scholarships are for Leadership and Service, and Leadership and Service for Underrepresented Students. To be eligible, students must have completed a minimum of 45 hours at an Illinois IACRAO affiliated community college and have been accepted into a four year IACRAO affiliated institution. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50 (4.0 scale) and demonstrate leadership or service experience. The deadline for submission is May 10, 2010. Please help get the word out to eligible students.

Part of my duties as Past-President is to chair the nominating committee for next year's officers. Candidates are needed for the following positions:

- President-Elect
- Secretary,
- Treasurer-Elect
- Equal Opportunity Officer.

Position descriptions can be found at: [http://www.iacrao.org/position\\_descriptions/main.htm](http://www.iacrao.org/position_descriptions/main.htm)

Please consider nominating a candidate. Self nominations are also accepted. To place a nomination please email me at [jdray@ilstu.edu](mailto:jdray@ilstu.edu)

Serving on the executive board is highly rewarding, enhances personal professional development and provides service to our profession.



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Greetings IACRAO!

I hope all is well wherever you are and that you can finally feel the coming of spring in the air. I want to solicit your help with a project that will help IACRAO better define the portion of our conference called, "Diversity Caucus."

I am listing a few discussion questions below. I would really like your thoughts on each one. The results of your responses will play a major role in how the Diversity Caucus will be presented at the next conference. The Executive Board is planning to allow more time to focus on the issues we would like to discuss. I want to be sure to include the voice of the membership in what we do so that the time spent during our conference will be productive and helpful to all participants.

Please respond to each question below and submit via email to: [tmontgo@siue.edu](mailto:tmontgo@siue.edu). I will compile your responses and present to the Executive Board at a future meeting and get back to you with our findings. I appreciate your time and willingness to offer your thoughts and suggestions.

**QUESTIONS**

- 1. What are subjects and ideas that you would like to see presented during the Diversity Caucus?**
- 2. Would you be willing to share innovative ideas and successful strategies you have helped to implement at your institution that would speak to building diversity among students, staff and faculty on our campuses?**



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Your IACRAO meeting minutes could be worth \$\$\$

.....or maybe not

Help our organization keep records of our events, activities and progress. When you get to that point in the next few weeks that you actually have 10 minutes of unscheduled time, please take a look at that IACRAO folder in your files. If you have some old IACRAO minutes, agendas, conference booklets or other interesting / priceless documents you could part with please mail them to me for archiving. Thank you in advance for you time and effort.

District Chairs: Please forward copies of your spring meeting agendas / minutes to [ron.gregoire@llcc.edu](mailto:ron.gregoire@llcc.edu)



Click on link below for future AACRAO conferences and meetings.

<http://www.aacrao.org/meetings/future.cfm>

Jump In and Join a great group of people who enjoy getting involved and networking!  
For more information and meeting times click on the following link:

<http://www.iacrao.org/iccaroo/>





## Retirements-

- Helen Shullaw, Coordinator of Registration Services at College of DuPage will be retiring May 7, 2010

## CONGRATULATIONS!

IACRAO's membership is made up of Admission and Records professionals from accredited post-secondary schools located within the State of Illinois. IACRAO's primary function is to educate its members, to promote professionalism and professional development for its members and to represent its members and their views through interaction with other professional groups. IACRAO is pleased to present two \$500 nonrenewable scholarship opportunities for Transfer Students. The application deadline is May 10, 2010 and can be found on our website at

<http://www.iacrao.org/applications.htm>

If anyone would like to contribute articles, photos or announcements for future chronicle editions, please contact Becky Lundgren, Chronicle Editor at [lundgren@kishwaukeecollege.edu](mailto:lundgren@kishwaukeecollege.edu).  
The next edition will be submitted in October.

## MARK YOUR CALENDERS



## Annual IACRAO Conference

### **"Get Your Game On!"**

Date: October 26-29, 2010  
Where: Doubletree hotel in Alsip, IL

## District Meetings and Summaries:

### East Central District & West Central District Meeting March 19, 2010

Submitted by Eric Campbell, West Central District Chair

Once again the East Central and West Central Districts held a joint meeting at Illinois State University's Alumni Center. A big "Thank You!" goes to Jess Ray and Krista Jackson for providing the wonderful venue. Almost sixty participants from ten different institutions were in attendance. Thanks to IACRAO funding, there was no registration fee and breakfast snacks and lunch were provided to attendees. This was critical to our strong attendance during these tough fiscal times.

Presentations included the following:

- A Guide to VA Education Benefits: A Glance at Pre-Post 9/11 GI Bill Programs, Post 9/11 GI Bill, and Other Benefit Programs - Dan Wellman, Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs, Illinois State Approving Agency  
<http://www.iacrao.org/presentations/19%20March%202010%20Presentation-VeteransBenefits.ppt>
- Integrated Postsecondary Data System (IPEDS) Changes – Marilyn M. Marshall, University of Illinois, and Rhonda K. Kline, Western Illinois University
- Using Social Media – Kelly Lewis, University of Illinois, and John Zimmerman, Western Illinois University
- IAI – Understanding the Ins and Outs of the Illinois Articulation Initiative – Jess Ray, Illinois State University

We would like to thank our guest speakers for their informative presentations and look forward to using the feedback from this meeting in planning the 2011 East-West Central District Meeting!

The **Northwest District** Meeting was held at Rock Valley College in Rockford Illinois on Friday, March 12, 2010. The meeting had 40 representatives present from McHenry County Community College, Highland Community College, Illinois Valley Community College, Northern Illinois University, Kishwaukee College, Elgin Community College and Rock Valley Community College. The agenda began with a presentation on "Workplace Conflict, Internal and External", followed by Understanding and Working with Undocumented Students at the Community College and Sharing Best Practices in Working with Student Veterans". The day ended with "Birds of a Feather" for groups specific to admissions, registration and recruitment. Hats off to Jeremy Bradt, Director of Enrollment & Records at Highland Community College for being the only male in the group! Jeremy is the District Chairperson Elect/Secretary for 2010-2011. Please contact Jeremy at 815-599-3486 if you are interested in being the District Chairperson Elect/Secretary for the 2011-2012 term.

Thank you to all that participated in this event. Gathering with peers from other colleges and universities is always a great avenue for networking.

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