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### 2018 Conference Countdown

*By: Heather Pritchard & Chris Dorsten, Co-Chairs for Local Arrangements*



The Local Arrangement Committee is very excited for the upcoming OACRAO conference. The Conference countdown is only a month away! Don't forget to register for one of the Pre-Conference Workshops of College Credit Plus or the ODHE State Wide Guaranteed Credit Transfer and Transcript Exploration Project.

The LAC committee is creating exciting conference activities! The pre-conference Winery Tour and the Pizza buffet will take place on Tuesday night. Movie night will be Wednesday by the Jumbo Screen with popcorn (Movie night will be indoors in the event of rain). Bring a blanket and enjoy the outdoors. Thursday night will take us back to the 80's! Come with your best 80's outfit to compete for the best dressed in the 80's outfit competition. Grand prize is a \$100 Gift card. There will be a DJ playing all the best 80's hits as well as a photo booth to capture your 80's attire. Remember to bring your school items for door prizes.

One last note, Cedar Point has their weekend HalloWeekends. Consider staying at Sawmill Creek after the conference and catching some coasters at HalloWeekends.

#### REGISTRATION LINKS

- [Pre-Conference Workshop Registration](#)
- [Pre-Conference Activities Registration](#)
- [Sawmill Creek Resort Hotel Reservations](#)
- [Cedar Point HalloWeekends](#)



See you soon at Sawmill Creek!

Reserved rooms at Sawmill ended September 1<sup>st</sup>. While you can still call, there is no longer a guarantee of rooms or conference rates. Contact hotels close to the Conference Center if Sawmill has no availability.



### Social Media!



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## PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

September greetings!

Summer is over for those of us on college campuses as our kids have, for the most part, returned. No matter what the thermometer says, when school starts it is fall.

I hope your start of school has gone smoothly and that everyone who came, stays. At least until census day!!

We are in the last days of planning a terrific conference at Sawmill Creek. By the time you get this, our block of rooms will have been released so I hope you got your room reserved. And if you haven't yet registered for the conference or a workshop, now is the time for that as well. The program committee and the LAC have been working hard for months to offer you this opportunity and I hope you get there to be a part of it. We have many substantive conference sessions planned and well as plenty of entertainment options so don't miss out on this one. Take advantage of the location, it is a great conference center and is very close to Cedar Point! Take the family and take advantage of Cedar Point's HalloWeekends.

I hope to see you there!

Beth DaLonzo

OACRAO President



## SILENT AUCTION—WINE GRAB

**THE SILENT AUCTION COUNTDOWN!  
You Are Needed!**

*By: Kimberly L. Edge, Chair, OACRAO Scholarship Committee*



32 Days! Let's make them count! Do you enjoy opportunities to give back and to be a part of something special for students and the higher education community?

The OACRAO SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE is working very hard to obtain auction items, gift baskets, gift cards and wine for exciting activities and to raise money at the Annual Conference Oct 3-5, 2018! We need YOU to help us meet this very important challenge to assist deserving students. Please reach out to me ([kedge1@kent.edu](mailto:kedge1@kent.edu)) or any of our wonderful [scholarship committee members](#) if you'd like to donate.



# OACRAO FEE NOTIFICATION

The Board of Directors is recommending a membership dues increase that will be incorporated into the proposed budget, which will be voted upon at the business lunch at the OACRAO annual meeting to be held at the conference in October. The dues increase will be presented and discussed at the town hall breakfast. The Board motioned to pass an increase that will raise institutional membership dues by \$50 across all brackets. See below for the current bracket fees compared to the proposed model.



Current Membership Dues	
Headcount	Dues
000 - 999	\$ 75.00
1000 - 2499	\$ 100.00
2500 - 4999	\$ 125.00
5000 - 14999	\$ 150.00
15000 +	\$ 175.00

Proposed Membership Dues	
Headcount	Dues
000 - 999	\$ 125.00
1000 - 2499	\$ 150.00
2500 - 4999	\$ 175.00
5000 - 14999	\$ 200.00
15000 +	\$ 225.00

While OACRAO is continuously being cognizant of how to be good financial stewards of the organization’s resources, operational costs continue to increase. This increase will enable us to continue to offer workshops and the conference experience that our membership expects from us, while remaining financially sound and not increasing other costs dramatically. Membership dues were last increased in 2007.

The OACRAO by-law policy requires notification prior to the Annual meeting where the voting membership will pass the annual budget. The increase will take effect with the membership year beginning September 1, 2019, if approved.

## BY-LAWS UPDATE

OACRAO Town Hall Agenda Item

By: David Schneider  
OACRAO Immediate Past-President, Chair By-Laws Committee

The 2018 Bylaws Committee met via WebEx conference call on Friday August 31st. The committee conducted a thoughtful and thorough review of our organization’s bylaws, and the discussion yielded the following items that require editing:

- Clarify the duties of the Vice President/Workshops by enhancing the bylaws description of the role
- Improve consistency in the use of commas
- Improve consistency in referring to “the Association” throughout the document
- Improve consistency in the use of capitalization for specific titles
- Appropriate use of hyphens where applicable
- Correction of minor formatting issues throughout



A draft of these suggested changes has been shared via the listserv. The bylaws changes will be discussed at the Town Hall Breakfast, and voted upon at the Business Lunch, as part of the upcoming 2018 Annual Meeting. See you there! My sincere thanks to this year’s committee members for their efforts: Carol Jones, Chris McNay, Missy Weininger, and Frank Yanchak.

# NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

*By: David Schneider  
OACRAO Immediate Past-President  
Chair, 2018 Nominations and Elections Committee*

Your 2018 Nominations and Elections Committee met on Friday June 15th at Otterbein University to set the officer's slate for the 2018-19 OACRAO Board of Directors and candidates to serve on the 2019 Nominations and Elections Committee. Thanks to all OACRAO members who responded to our call for nominees.

The nominees for the 2018-19 OACRAO Board of Directors are:

President-Elect: Chris Dorsten, Cuyahoga Community College

Vice President, Workshops: Dan Kall, The University of Toledo

Treasurer: Aftan Dewese, Ohio Northern University



The nominees for the two At-Large Nominations and Elections Committee positions are:

Lee Furbeck, Cleveland State University

Karen Greene, Mount Carmel College of Nursing

Mary Holland, Wright State University

Heather Pritchard, Muskingum University

The nominees for the two Past-President Nominations and Elections Committee positions are:

Carol Jones, Miami University

Mel Severns, Mount Vernon Nazarene University

Jeannine Shambaugh, Aultman College

Dan Wilson, Muskingum University

The slate of nominees with photos and biographies for each of the candidates was recently sent to the listserv, and ballots were emailed to all voting members. Please be sure to vote by Friday, September 21st.

## SILENT AUCTION AND WINE GRAB

