



Join us for the 2009 Annual Conference March 25-27 in sunny Orlando!

Dear Colleagues,

I cordially invite you to attend FABSAA's 7th Annual Conference at the beautiful Rosen Centre Hotel March 25th- 27th, 2009. Our conference is priced for the budget conscious schools with low cost registration fee of \$325.00 for early registration and rooms at \$149.00 per night. Plus, we offer group rates on registration: send two participants and the third registration fee is FREE!

The conference this year is full of informative sessions to help us all do our jobs even better! Our keynote speaker is Michael Moniz, from the University of Central Florida. His humorous style about serious topics will keep you laughing!

We offer a FREE pre-conference workshop to conference attendees on March 24th at 3:00 pm on more advanced topics for Bursars. Again, this is free with your conference registration.

Find out how other universities are handling issues important to you by joining our round-table discussions. There will be panel discussions on internal payment plans and collections – two hot topics. Learn how to make your Cashier's Office is safer. Hear about the new changes in the GI bill, Red Flag rules, new regulations directly from the U.S. Department of Education, and more. We also invite you to stay for our closing session and brag about best practices in your school. What does your school do that you're proud of and want to share with others? You may win a cash prize, too!

I am very excited about our Presidential reception on Wednesday evening – we've scheduled fun and entertainment. There will be music with a popular local DJ for you to 'bust a move' on the dance floor. PLUS, along with the opportunity to enjoy meeting your colleagues, we'll be having a fun time with a 'logo swap' (aka white elephant swap). Everyone is encouraged to bring a new item from your school to exchange at the reception. Suggested items are a hat, polo shirt, sweat shirt, or umbrella, etc. with your school's logo (or company for our vendors) to swap! You can choose a new item or "steal" one from another participant!

You won't find a better conference at such a reduced cost – learn new regulations, have fun, and meet new friends! I look forward to seeing you there!

Warmest Regards,

Margaret Partyka, President

Florida Association of Bursars and Student Accounting Administrators



September 12, 2008

Dear Fellow FABSAA Board Members and FABSAA Members:

I am incredibly proud to have been the President of FABSAA these past 18 months. I want to thank my fellow Board members for the opportunity to serve such a pioneering organization during these exciting, changing and challenging times in higher education.

Since the time I was offered the opportunity to become an active member of the FABSAA Board I have been so very fortunate to interact with some of the most remarkable, innovative and dedicated people I've ever known. Your passion, devotion and volunteering spirit has helped us blossom into one of the most well known organizations in the United States.

Even with the financial woes that we are experiencing today here in Florida, we continue to address challenges, keeping a watchful eye on what is in the best interest of our constituents and exploring means to craft new dramatic ideas for our annual conference in March 2009. We will overcome these obstacles and explore the options that will allow our constituents the ability to attend and participate in our future educational programs.

As you know, changes in our personal and professional lives can affect our ability to volunteer and serve to our full potential. With that being said, I must regretfully submit my resignation as President of the FABSAA organization effective the date of this letter. I will and continue to have full confidence in the board members of this organization and know if called upon, our members and constituents will consider volunteering their leadership skills to assume a leadership role with the FABSAA organization.

I am a huge believer in FABSAA and so appreciative of the current and former board and the members of the FABSAA family. All of your support, caring and friendships during my tenure will remain fondly in my memory. I have no doubt that FABSAA will continue to grow and realize its enormous potential.

Sincerely,

Gregory D. Atkins

Florida Association of Bursars and Student Accounting Administrators (FABSAA)
President 2007 – 2009
President Elect 2006 – 2007
Vice President of Conference & Education 2004 – 2006