October 2020 Ten Talk: Meet the Region 10 Steering Committee

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Role of a Steering Committee

- Assist the Region Chair in leading the functions of the Region.
- Set region direction through establishing goals and outcomes.
- Provide assistance in establishing the region’s budget.
- Provide carry-over historical perspective during transitions of regional leadership.
- Review Region operating principles at least every three years to be current with the NACADA mission and goals.
Role of a Steering Committee

• Designed to represent the diversity of institution type and geographic location within the region (2-year and 4-year liaisons from each state)

• 6 Committee Chairs
  • Awards
  • Communications/Social Media
  • Technology
  • Research & Scholarship
  • Diversity
  • Mentoring Program

• All steering committee positions are elected for two-year terms. If a position is vacant, the Region Chair can appoint with the approval of the steering committee.
Sarah Maddox, Ph.D. – Region 10 Chair (2020-2022)

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- Sarah.Maddox@colostate.edu
- Colorado State University
- Academic Success Coordinator, Biomedical Sciences
- Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  - Regional Conference Chair – 2020/2021
  - Inclusion & Engagement Committee
  - Emerging Leaders Advisory Board
  - Emerging Leader, 2017-2019
  - Technology in Advising Steering Committee
  - Region 10 Steering Committee
Sarah Maddox, Ph.D. – Region 10 Chair (2020-2022)

• Fun facts: I have a two-year-old (Autumn)
• Hobbies: Knitting (yes, I made that sweater), cycling, craft beer, wine
• Goals for 2020-2022: Increase opportunities for professional development in Region 10, and encourage people to take advantage of NACADA resources
Carita Harrell—Past Chair (2020-2021)

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• Arizona State University

• Assistant Director, Student and Academic Services for the School of Human Evolution and Social Change

• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Past Region 10 Chair
  • Region 10 Chair (2018-2020)
  • Regional Conference Co-Chair
  • International Conference Advisory Board
  • Region 10 Research & Scholarship Committee
Carita Harrell–
Past Chair (2020-2021)

• Fun facts: Originally from Ohio
• Hobbies: dance, sports, foodie
• Goals for 2020-2022: Support Region 10 and the steering committee with this transitional year
Katie Reese—
4-Year Arizona Liaison (2019-2021)

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• Arizona State University
• Manager of Academic Advising
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Region 10 Mentoring Program (mentor)
  • Advising First Year Students Steering Committee
  • 2018 NACADA Annual Conference Planning Committee (Social Media Chair)
Katie Reese—
4-Year Arizona Liaison (2019-2021)

• Fun facts: I have a 4 ½ year old son (Paul) and my husband is a hockey referee
• Hobbies: Playing guitar, hiking, spending time with my family
• Goals for her term: Increase NACADA involvement of Arizona university advisors by promoting NACADA conferences and opportunities
Juan Diarte –
2-Year Arizona Liaison (2019-2021)

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• Mesa Community College
Kate Distad, MA–
2 Year Colorado Liaison (2019-2021)

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- Regis University (previously at Metropolitan State University of Denver)
- Assistant Director for Online Programming for the Anderson College of Business and Computing
- Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  - Region 10 Steering Committee
  - Region 10 Conference Committee, 2020/2021
Kate Distad, MA–
2 Year Colorado Liaison (2019-2021)

• Fun facts: Just celebrated living in Colorado for 10 years this year (March 2020)

• Hobbies: Reading, cooking, and playing golf

• Goals for her term: Grow our NACADA advising network in Colorado and connect with Amy (4-year Colorado Liaison) on how we can increase the involvement from Northern Colorado to Southern Colorado
Amy Quinn-Sparks—
4 Year Colorado Liaison (2019-2021); 2021 Region 10 Conference Co-Chair
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• Amy.quinn@colostate.edu
• Colorado State University
• Manager of Advising and Support
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Region 10 Steering Committee
  • Region 10 Conference Committee Co-Chair, 2020/2021
  • Distance Advising for Online Education Advising Community
  • Presentations at regional conferences
Amy Quinn-Sparks–
4 Year Colorado Liaison (2019-2021); 2021 Region 10 Conference Co-Chair

• Fun facts: I completed high school in Switzerland

• Hobbies: Walks with dogs and husband and gardening

• Goals for her term: Coordinate with 2-year Colorado reps to see how 2-year and 4-year institutions can work together more smoothly; increase membership and look at areas where diverse voices are not being heard
Maria Nicole Held – 4 Year New Mexico Liaison (2019-2021)

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• University of New Mexico
• Sr. Academic Advisor, Biology
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Grant Proposal Reader Annual Conference (2018-present)
  • Grant Proposal Reader Regional Conference (2019-present)
  • Conference Presenter, 2019 Annual Conference (Louisville, KY)
  • NACADA 2019 Annual Conference Volunteer (Louisville, KY)
  • Conference Presenter, 2021 Region 10 Conference
Maria Nicole Held –
4 Year New Mexico Liaison (2019-2021)

• Fun facts: I am currently working on obtaining my Private Pilot’s license

• Hobbies: Language learning, local theater, avid traveler, hiking/enjoying NM wilderness

• Goals for her term: More NACADA involvement and professional development in New Mexico 2-year and 4-year institutions
Susan Scott –
2 Year New Mexico Liaison (2019-2021)

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• susan@nmmi.edu
• New Mexico Military Institute
• Deputy Director, Toles Learning Resource Center
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Region 10 Mentoring Program (mentee and mentor)
Susan Scott—
2 Year New Mexico Liaison (2019-2021)

• Fun facts: While I don’t consider myself a thrill seeker, I have been snorkeling with moray eels in Hanauma Bay and canoeing with alligators in the Okefenokee Swamp

• Hobbies: Cooking, travel, gardening, reading, wine tasting

• Goals for her term: To improve communication with advisors from other 2-year schools in New Mexico
Cindy Braithwaite—2 Year Utah Liaison (2020-2022)

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• Cindyb@uvu.edu
• Utah Valley University
• Academic Advisor, Woodbury School of Business
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
Cindy Braithwaite—
2 Year Utah Liaison (2020-2022)

• Fun facts: I love to create and organize!
• Hobbies: Thrifting
• Goals for her term: Get to know more colleagues
Clint Moser –
4 Year Utah Liaison (2019-2021)

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- Clint.moser@uvu.edu
- Utah Valley University
- Advisement Technology Coordinator
- Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  - NACADA Annual Conference committee
  - Annual Conference Advisory Board
  - Region 10 Conference Committee
Clint Moser –  
4 Year Utah Liaison (2019-2021)

- Fun fact: I have 3 kids, a 16-year-old boy, a 13-year-old girl, and a 9-year-old boy that consume all my time!
- Hobbies: Woodworking, spending time with my kids, travelling, eating
- Goal for his term: To increase the collaboration of the State organization (UAA) and NACADA
Hailee Starr –
4 Year Wyoming Liaison (2020-2022)

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• University of Wyoming
• Academic Advisor, Psychology
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Research & Scholarship co-chair
Hailee Starr –
4 Year Wyoming Liaison (2020-2022)

• Fun facts: I teach a first-year experience course at my university
• Hobbies: Sewing, crafting, clothing design, drawing, etc.
• Goals for her term: Build rapport with 4-year advisors and encourage more NACADA participation
Shalece Nuttall – Awards Chair (2018-2022)

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• Utah Valley University
• Advising Director – College of Health and Public Service
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Awards Chair (2018-2020)
  • Region 10 Conference Co-Chair
Shalece Nuttall – Awards Chair (2018-2022)

• Fun facts: I cannot do the taco with my tongue or roll my “R”s
• Hobbies: Reading, spending time with husband and 4 children, being outdoors, hunting, and relaxing by water!
• Goals for her term: Increase the number of applicants for travel scholarships and Excellence in Advising Awards. Identify awards to NACADA Institutes
Carlos Tavares – Diversity Chair (2020-2022)

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• Arizona State University
• Academic Advisor – The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • NACADA Region 10 Podcast
  • NACADA Advisor Training & Development Advising Community (New Advising Professionals subcommittee)
  • NACADA Region 10 Mentee
  • NACADA Region 10 Research/Writing Group
Carlos Tavares – Diversity Chair (2020-2022)

• Fun facts: I was married on New Years Eve in 2015!

• Hobbies: Hanging out with my wife and two daughters (6 and 1). I play bass in a couple of rock bands here in the Phoenix area.

• Goals for his term: Within these next two years, I hope to give the Diversity Chair a bit more structure, hold a couple of events/speaker series, and hold discussions to encourage the Region to think about social justice issues, how they affect our students, and how to create more equitable spaces for our students/staff from minority/historically oppressed backgrounds.
Amy Brenton – Research/Scholarship Chair (2020-2022)

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• apbrenton@Arizona.edu
• University of Arizona
• Academic Advisor – Planetary Sciences/Astrobiology
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Region 10 Research & Scholarship Co-Chair (2020)
Amy Brenton – Research/Scholarship Chair (2020-2022)

- Fun facts: I have bikepacked in several states (backpacking, but on a bicycle!)
- Hobbies: Cycling, running, crafts (you name it, I will try to do it!), reading
- Goals for her term: Increase opportunities for Region 10 members to participate in and collaborate with each other in NACADA research and writing
Lauren Ballard –
2022 Region Conference Co-Chair

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• Arizona State University
Beth Elkin –
2022 Region Conference Co-Chair

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Shannon Saavedra, MA—
2022 Region Conference Co-Chair

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• University of New Mexico
• Advisor Trainer
• Previous/current NACADA Involvement
  • Member since 2008
Shannon Saavedra, MA—2022 Region Conference Co-Chair

- Fun facts: I am a Girl Scout Leader
- Hobbies: Spending time with my two daughters (5 & 9), camping, hiking, soccer
- Goals for her term: Work on the regional conference
Vacant Positions

• Tentatively filled: Mentoring Program Chair & Communications Chair

• Currently available: Technology Chair & 2 Year Wyoming Liaison
  • If you’re interested in either of these positions, please contact sarah.maddox@colostate.edu for more information!

• If you’re particularly interested in any area, feel free to reach out to the Steering Committee member representing that area!