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This is the first "Mini-PRIDE" ever made. The purpose of this newsletter is to send out a bulk of information about the upcoming changes and transitions that will be happening in the region. Please read carefully because all of this information is very important!

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No Frills 2010 – App State University

Hey SAACURH!

I hope all of you are doing well and looking forward to No Frills 2011! I wanted to remind you that registration for No Frills closes on February 10th. That means there is less than a week left to register, and due to our hotel contract we will not be able to accept registration after this date! Please remember to complete all of the registration forms, including: your school, advisor, and delegates as soon as possible! The direct link to the registration page is: <http://rha.appstate.edu/pagesmith/140>. In addition, payments must be postmarked on or before February 24th. Let us know if you have any questions or concerns. Take care!

Surviving the Bid Process

We survived the bid process at SAACURH, but that was only 2 awards, 1 position and the SAACURH 2011 location. Next up is No Frills boardroom and bids. We will be looking at, discussing and voting on 15 award bids, 6 positions, and the location of No Frills 2012! Here are some tips to survival:

1. There are so many awards at No Frills, don't get caught up in bidding for every single one of them unless you truly have the time and talent for good bids. This is one of those quality versus quantity discussions. Just because you know how to write a good bid, does that person, program, school actually deserve the recognition? Take the time to **write quality bids** for those who deserve it.
2. **Check the SAACURH Policy Book** for bid criteria to avoid being disqualified. There is a general criteria list (below) for all bids AND the criteria and suggestions for each individual bid.
 - a. "All awards shall be based solely on written content and must conform to the corresponding page limits. A page shall be defined as a side with print (10-12 point font) for all awards, which includes appendices, letters of recommendation, and text. Every bid must include at least one (1) letter of support from an RHA and/or NRHH representative as well as one (1) letter of support from a professional staff member that oversees an aspect of residential life. Letters of support are included in the page count unless otherwise noted. Title pages are not included in the page count, but dividers are included in page count. All pages in bids shall be numbered for easy reference (SAACURH Policy Book, Policy 1, Section D)."
3. **Ask for letters of support NOW!** Professional staff members are very busy and may need a draft of the bid to help write a letter if they were not directly involved with the program/person.
4. **Theme:** a theme makes a bid fun to read and shows your creativity. Don't let it take over your whole bid – NCCs and NRHH Reps still want to learn about the success of the person/program.
5. **Details** – don't forget the simple things like page numbers and a table of contents! These are easy cons to avoid.
6. **PROOFREAD!** Remember that a new set of eyes is needed to do a good job editing! The goal is to be clear and give good descriptions without being overly verbose.
7. All bids must be in **PDF format** before final submission. Make sure it looks the way you expect it to – try opening it on both a PC and a Mac to be sure.
8. Be sure to get all **bids in on time** (if not early). Turning in bids early to the bid committee may help alleviate some of your concerns about meeting policy.
9. Once at the conference, **relax!** Don't overly "con" bids with which your school is competing, it looks like you are not supportive of the efforts of others. Also, don't get defensive about your own bids – remember, the goal is to represent SAACURH at the national level with our best bids.
10. Please **e-mail the SEC** with your question! We can't help if you don't ask!

BIDS, BIDS, BIDS!

NCC Boardroom

Individual Awards

On Campus Marketing Distinguished Service Award

1. Purpose: This award was designed to recognize distinguished student leadership while serving NACURH, its affiliates, and member schools over a several year period.

Hallenbeck Service Award

1. Purpose: This lifetime achievement award is named after Dr. Dan Hallenbeck, former NACURH Advisor. This award recognizes outstanding and continuous service to NACURH of a full-time housing or student affairs professional.

On Campus Marketing NCC of the Year

1. Purpose: This award recognizes outstanding service to NACURH by an individual who has been directly affiliated with the organization as an NCC.

Evelyn A. Wallington Advisor of the Year Award

1. Purpose: This award recognizes outstanding service by an individual advisor who has gone above and beyond their job description while serving in an advising capacity to a residence hall leadership group.

President of the Year Award

1. Purpose: This award recognizes the outstanding service of a residential housing organization President at an affiliated school who has had a direct positive impact on their school, region and NACURH.

State Board Member of the Year Award

1. Purpose: This award recognizes the outstanding service of a state association board member at an affiliated school who has had a direct positive impact on their state, region and NACURH.

School Awards

SAACURH School of the Year Award

1. Purpose: The SAACURH School of the Year (SOY) award is the highest honor a member school can attain. The award recognizes outstanding achievements on the campus level by a residence hall government and associated groups as well as contributions on the state, regional, and national levels.

Building RHA Award

1. Purpose: This award is designed to honor the RHA, which displays tremendous effort and improvement from the previous academic year to the current.

Commitment to Diversity Award

1. Purpose: The Commitment to Diversity Award is given to a school that involves a student-directed yearlong commitment to awareness and education of residential students concerning diversity issues.

NRHH Boardroom

Hey SAACURH!!!

I hope that your state conferences are going VERY well!!! This is a reminder of the NRHH awards that are available at No Frills this year. Please keep in mind that there is a deadline for the awards to be submitted by to be reviewed by the bid committee, as well as the date that all awards need to be submitted to the SEC. Please review the **SAACURH Policy Book** as a guide to writing these bids keeping close attention to the page requirements, letters of recommendation, and formatting. The next page has the dates as far as when ALL bids are due. KEEP THE DATES IN MIND!!! If you have any questions during the submission process PLEASE contact me at sa_nrrh@nacurh.org.

- **First Year Experience Award**

Purpose: The FYE Award recognizes the outstanding contributions of a first year student. This award encourages involved First Year Students to remain active in leadership positions and to continue improving the residence hall environment on their campus.

- **NRHH Member of the Year**

Purpose: This award recognizes outstanding service to SAACURH through NRHH by an individual who has been directly affiliated with the organizations.

- **NRHH Representative of the Year**

Purpose: This award recognizes outstanding service to NACURH through NRHH by an individual who has been directly affiliated with the organization as an NRHH Representative.

- **SEAHO Student of the Year**

Purpose: This award recognizes outstanding service to NACURH by an individual who has been directly affiliated with the organization (non-NBD member).

- **NRHH Building Block Chapter of the Year**

Purpose: The NRHH Building Block Chapter of the Year Award is given to a chapter, which shows outstanding growth and development during the year of nomination.

- **NRHH Outstanding Chapter of the Year**

Purpose: The NRHH Outstanding Chapter of the Year Award is the highest regional honor a NRHH chapter can attain. The award recognizes outstanding achievements of an NRHH chapter on the campus, regional, and national levels.

The link to access the SAACURH NRHH Policy Book is below. Please refer to the policy book to make sure you include everything in your bid that is required so that it meets policy when presented to the region!

[http://saacurh.nacurh.org/documents/resources/SAACURH%20NRHH%20Policy%20Book%20\(SAACURH%202010\).pdf](http://saacurh.nacurh.org/documents/resources/SAACURH%20NRHH%20Policy%20Book%20(SAACURH%202010).pdf)



SEC Positions

Hey SAACURH!!! Are you interested in running for a SEC position for 2011 – 2012???? Here are the positions that you can bid for:

- 1) Director
- 2) Associate Director of Business Administration
- 3) Associate Director of NRHH
- 4) Regional Communications Coordinator for Administration
- 5) Regional Communications Coordinator for Development and Education
- 6) Regional Communications Coordinator for NRHH and Special Projects

What does each position entail? You can find the full job description in the SAACURH constitution, but for a quick blurb on each check out the following:

- 1) Director**
 - a. Chief Executive Officer for SAACURH
 - b. Represents SAACURH to NACURH and SEAHO
- 2) Associate Director of Business Administration**
 - a. Handles finances for the region
 - b. Handles interpretations of policy book and constitution
- 3) Associate Director of NRHH**
 - a. Oversees NRHH for the region
 - b. Represents SAACURH's NRHH interest to NACURH
- 4) Regional Communications Coordinator for Administration**
 - a. Takes minutes at all SAACURH business meetings
 - b. Oversees SAACURH's spirit and motivation
- 5) Regional Communications Coordinator for Development and Education**
 - a. Handles affiliations for the region
 - b. Liaison for State Associations
- 6) Regional Communications Coordinator for NRHH and Special Projects**
 - a. Takes minutes at all SAACURH NRHH business meetings
 - b. Handles all special projects for SAACURH

If you have any specific questions for us as a SEC we will be having a SEC Chat informational where you can ask us questions on AIM about any of the SEC positions. The chat will be Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 7PM CST/8PM EST. Log in and instant message any of us on the SEC to get added to the SEC Informational Group Chat!!

Dates & Deadlines

- 2/8 SEC Candidate Chat
- 2/11 Letters of Intent
- 2/18 Early bid submissions (award and conference)
- 2/18 Early bid submissions (positional)
- 2/25 Award Bids Due
- 2/25 SAAS deadline
- 2/25 Conference host bids due
- 2/25 Award bids due
- 3/1 Grace Period (award/conference)
- 3/2 Bids posted online
- 3/2 Bid Criteria Sheets posted
- 3/4 Positional Bids Due
- 3/4 Program Grants Due
- 3/4 Affiliation Grants Due
- 3/8 Grace Period (positional)
- 3/9 Positional bids online
- 3/11 Legislation due
- 3/14 Legislation online
- 3/18 No Frills check-in
- 3/18 SA/NA 4 yr service pin due
- 3/18 Bid Criteria Sheets

Conference Host

No Frills Conference

Hosting:

Hosting a conference is an essential part to the success of the region. It is the best way for members to meet and discuss business while having a little fun. Hosting a conference may seem like a daunting task, but with the right information and some good guidance, it can be the best experience of your life. If you are interested in hosting a conference, there is a quick explanation of the requirements to host No Frills.

Include in the Bids:

1. Formal commitment of invitation from an appropriate university or college official in the form of the Host Acknowledgement Form available from the SEC or the NACURH Conference Resource Consultant.
2. A statement of liability must also be included in the bid declaring the institution's liability coverage.
3. All schools submitting a bid to host a regional conference for SAACURH must send a digital copy of their bid to the NACURH CRC upon the due date for submission to the region.

No Frills Delegations:

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| 1. NCCs/Co-NCCs, | 6. NRHH Representative |
| 2. NCCs-In Training/Co-NCCs-In Training | 7. NRHH Advisor |
| 3. Rep. from upcoming regional conference | 8. Student bidding for SEC positions |
| 4. State Association Liaison (one per state) | 9. Members of No Frills Conference Bid Team |
| 5. State Association Advisor (one per state) | 10. RHA Advisor |

SAACURH Grants

SAACURH Program Development Grant

1. Purpose: The purpose of this award is to assist schools in implementing programs on their campus.

SAACURH Membership Affiliation Grant

1. Purpose: The purpose of the grant is to provide member institutions the opportunity to apply for an affiliation grant to help defer the cost of affiliation with NACURH.

Affiliations

Hey SAACURH!!!

Its conference time again and if you plan on attending No Frills it is ESSENTIAL you have a complete affiliation to attend boardroom!!! If you have any questions about your affiliation status please contact sa_rccde@nacurh.org. Additionally, do you have a RHA chapter but not a NRHH chapter or vice versa? Are you interested in having both at your campus? If so, please contact sa_rccde@nacurh.org to get more information on how to affiliate/create a RHA or NRHH chapter!!!

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