

# AASCA GENERAL DIRECTOR'S MEETING

**LOCATION:** Renaissance Jaragua Hotel, Santo Domingo, DR  
**FACILITATOR:** Mrs. Linda Niehaus, AASCA President  
**DATE:** October 15, 2009  
**TIME:** 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



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## DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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| 1. AASCA Dues                                | 5. Affiliation to NAIS        |
| 2. AASCA Website                             | 6. K-12 Online courses        |
| 3. AASCA GD Meeting, May 2010                | 7. EBSCO use                  |
| 4. Tri-Association Initiative for Recruiting | 8. Principals' Report (Miami) |

### 1. ASCA FEES FOR THE YEAR

Linda Niehaus reminded all participants that **ASCA FEES must be paid in October each year**. Ron Vair, AASCA treasurer, will send reminders to all AASCA schools.

### 2. AASCA Website

The President of AASCA indicated that she is working with Tita Hauser, AASCA webmaster, updating the website and translating all the information in order to have a bilingual website. She also reminded all school heads to send their school enrollment information for this academic year. If the information is not updated, it will be erased from the website.

### 3. AASCA General Directors' Meeting, May 2010

As agreed in last General Directors' meeting, next GD AASCA meeting will take place in Miami. Linda indicated that there are several options for hotels as the Marriot Dadeland or Marriot Coral Gables. Other participants indicated the possibility of staying at one of the hotels in the airport area. Linda and Adolfo will look for options and get back to the group on their decision. Adolfo indicated the possibility of doing it close to Nova Southeastern University in order to take in consideration the support offered by Elsa Lamb, AAIE CEO, when she heard that next GD AASCA meeting will take place in Miami.

**4. Tri-Association Recruiting Initiative (Barry Combs)**

Barry Combs and the Tri-Association are working in order to have a website with an electronic database of possible candidates for the region and probably host a recruiting fair in December 2010 (maybe before the Atlanta AdvancED meeting). Eight of the Directors present at the meeting indicated that they would be interested in participating.

**5. NAIS**

Jack Bimrose proposed that AASCA become institutional member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS). NAIS fee that way would only be \$250 dollars per school and every school will be able to take advantage of all the opportunities NAIS membership offers. In order to do this, AASCA fees would have to be raised in that amount. Jack moved that AASCA fees were raised by \$250 dollars in order to become institutional members of NAIS. Stan Key seconded the motion and the motion was accepted unanimously. Linda indicated that AASCA schools will become NAIS members beginning in the 2010-2011 academic year.

**6. K-12 Online Courses**

Linda Nieahus explained that Tri-Association made an agreement with K-12 online school courses. This way, Tri would get a percent for every student enrolled and AASCA students would get a discount for K-12 tuition fee.

**7. EBSCO use**

There was a discussion about EBSCO use at schools. There were suggestions to look for other more economical services. Linda proposed that every school reported on the use of EBSCO at their schools and to continue the discussion with that evidence at the Miami meeting in April.

**8. Principal's Report (MIAMI)**

There will not be a Principal reading the AASCA Principal's Report in Miami. The Principals will send it to Linda and she will read the report at the Miami meeting. One of the topics for the meeting in Miami will be how each school is integrating technology in their classes, directors present at the meeting were requested to report on technology integration at next meeting.

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