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## VISION

The OAASFEP provides effective leadership, professional development and legislative information on state and federal educational programs to serve all Ohio's students.

## MISSION

In partnership with the Ohio Department of Education, legislators, and other organizations, OAASFEP will facilitate open communication, provide professional development opportunities, promote legislative inquiry, and support Ohio's school communities to foster optimal learning for all Ohio's students.



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## From the President

*Paul Schneider*

Hello to all. I feel very pleased and honored being this year's OAASFEP president. I look forward to continue working with outstanding individuals in our organization who serve on the executive board, standing committees, and as representatives, liaisons, and conference planner/facilitator in order to provide support to you as educators in Ohio.

It's hard to believe that it's summer and the Fourth of July has just passed us by. We all know that before we blink twice, the 2014-2015 school year will be in full gear. I'll never forget what a mentor of mine told me years ago. He said, "Paul, when you get into school administration, you'll always be six feet under water. The trick is to have a straw six feet, one inch long." At the time, I had no idea of how right he was but it didn't take me long to find out. My hope is for OAASFEP to be that "one inch" that makes a difference in your careers.

I see this opportunity through our organization's mission and vision by working with the Ohio Department of Education, legislators, and other organizations, to facilitate open communication, in order to provide you with effective leadership, professional development and legislative information on state and federal education programs that serve all Ohio's students. This also includes working with you as members who have a voice in our organization by providing feedback, suggestions, sharing your concerns, and participating in our annual membership meeting during each spring conference.

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## Creating a Culture of Learning 2014 OAASFEP Fall Coordinators Conference September 30- October 2, 2014

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2014 Spring Conference Revisited:

April 2-4, 2014 *All Learner's, America's Future*

This annual learning event was again very successful where educators learned about the many practices and strategies for the core subject areas serving the diverse populations under the existing No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) under ESEA and IDEA-B. The intent of the conference was to insure that the federal grants will help implement and enhance our classrooms where the new Ohio Learning Standards are being used. The online evaluations validated that the conference was strong on the delivery of the content, the quality and preparation of the presenters, inspirational keynoters and the overall organization of the conference. Mark Anthony Garrett was the opening keynoter who talked about his early childhood growing up in a rough area of Dayton, a special needs child, and adopted after being in foster care. His 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher, Miss Richey, changed his life. She told him that she believed in him, and that he was significant. Education was his ticket to freedom. Upon meeting her in her later years once again, Mark says she still inspires him to build his own kingdom; she told him to "...fight for them, fight for every kid who cannot fight for themselves." A wonderful message for every educator today. Dr. John Richard, Associate Superintendent, ODE, also was a featured presenter that reminded the participants that "hope" can make a difference. Today, there is a disconnect between our high school graduates and the jobs facing them. Dr. Richard stated that "...hopeful students have higher grades, self-esteem, both predictive variables that we can use for our students." He believes that if we increase hope you will increase the likelihood of student success in high school and beyond. Another keynoter was Dr. Peter H. Johnston who believes that a big part of our work in education is socializing. He stressed, that kids who are happy learn more. We need to let kids think together on reasoning, asking questions help children develop the social imaginations, and thus more able to understand complex narratives. Dr. Johnston reminded us all, "...the adult is not the only teacher in the room." The closing keynoter was Dr. Leslie T. Fenwick from Howard University. She noted that African-Americans represent only 7.6% of the

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### **Future Conferences-Plan on Attending!**

2014 OAASFEP Fall Coordinators Conference – September 30-October 2  
2015 OAASFEP Title I/Federal Programs Spring Conference – March 17-19  
2015 OAASFEP Fall Coordinators Conference – October 12-14

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We have many items on our plates that involve changes to rolling out new state standards, implementing College-and-Career-Ready standards, the need to reshape teaching styles, moving towards 1-to-1 devices, formative/summative assessments, OTES/OPES, program accountability, creating positive school climate, and of course acquiring and maximizing funding sources, just to name a few. Let's continue our good work together in gaining that "one inch" that makes a huge difference when serving the students in Ohio.



Paul Schnieder  
OASFEF President

I invite you to join us at the Fall OASFEF Conference in Columbus, held at the Hyatt Regency Downtown, beginning Tuesday evening, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 and concluding at noon on Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014.

I look forward to seeing you soon. ♦

## OASFEF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

*Ruth Ninke, Scholarship Committee*

Our SPRING CONFERENCE in April was an exciting event for four Ohio senior students and their OASFEF sponsors. We want to again extend congratulations to these special individuals:

Emily Lather & Marilyn Dadisman of Chalker H.S., Southington  
Madilyn Knowlton & David Kish of Keystone H.S., Elyria  
Breaysha Helm & Karen O'Connell of Mt. Healthy H.S., Cincinnati  
Mylisha Fitchpatric & Scott TenEyck of Woodward H.S. Toledo

We appreciate the efforts of all our members who recommended other high achieving, community-involved, student leaders.

As the beginning of another school year fast approaches, we hope you will encourage your eligible students to participate in the 2015 OASFEF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. Details can be accessed at [www.oasfef.net](http://www.oasfef.net). The application deadline will again be January 31.

We look forward to honoring more worthy students at our 2015 SPRING CONFERENCE on March 17. ♦

## Urban Liaison Position Needed !

Looking for an OASFEF member who is interested in the representing the urban districts for our organization.

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of the teachers in America. Research does show that the academic and social benefits do improve with more Black and Latino teachers in a school. There is a link, she stated, between teacher diversity and student outcomes.

**COMING: *Creating a Culture of Learning* 2014 OAASFEP Fall Coordinators Conference**  
The annual OAASFEP Fall Conference will again be held at the Columbus Hyatt Regency on Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, and concluding at noon on Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. This annual learning event is a “essential” for the brand new coordinator, or those with less than two years experience, and very helpful for the experienced coordinator or teacher leader of Title I and other federal education programs. This conference will provide in-depth information on the rules, guidance or implementation of these programs. OAASFEP works in partnership with the Office of Federal Programs (ODE) to deliver the critical and technical information related to the goals of each grant. There will be 4 general sessions with outstanding keynoters along with nearly 30 learning (or breakout) sessions for coordinators or teacher leaders to select sessions that meeting their personal learning needs.

### NEW for the 2014 Fall Coordinators Conference:

- Length of conference is equivalent to two days which is ideal for busy educators today;
- All meeting rooms will be Wi-Fi;
- All hotel rooms at the Columbus Hyatt Regency will provide complimentary internet; and
- The all important “New Coordinators Academy” will no longer be a pre-conference event; to save time, this Academy will be a strand of the Fall Conference and be embedded into the conference agenda; new coordinators will be able to participate in five separate sessions offered throughout the conference.

**More good news...no price increase!** The OAASFEP Board realizes that funds in the local school districts are tight; therefore, they decided not to increase the registration fees for this conference nor the spring conference coming up on March 17-19, 2015.

**Keynote presenters** for the 2014 Fall Conference include Ainsley B. Rose, a Canadian educator who will speak on *Using John Hattie’s Visible Learning Research to Create a Culture of Learning*. Leigh Manasevit will return to update the experienced coordinators or directors on happenings in federal programs. The closing keynoter will be Dr. Wil Parker, Bowie State University, who will speak on *Creating a Mindset for Increased Student Learning*.

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The Call for Presenters proposal is located on [www.oaasfep.net](http://www.oaasfep.net) for those educators who would like to do a presentation at the Fall or Spring Conference. In return, OAASFEP will grant a \$100 deduction on the conference registration fee for each presenter.

The printed Conference Registration Packet for the 2014 Fall Coordinators Conference will be mailed to the superintendent, treasurer, and all CCIP contacts in mid August; it will also be posted on the OAASFEP website by August 15<sup>th</sup>. In addition, the "Conference Planner" which outlines all of the conference Institutes of Learning and Learning Sessions will be posted on the website about the same time. Online registration form and hotel link will also be there.

The conference planning committee consisting of the OAASFEP officers, Dr. John Richard, Associate Superintendent, Division of Accountability and Quality Schools, Jeremy Marks, Director of the Office of Federal Programs, Carl Evans and myself have worked diligently and mindful of the coordinator needs to plan a Fall Coordinators Conference that will be concise, meaningful and meet the needs of the new and experienced Ohio Federal Program Coordinator. So, watch for the printed Registration Packet to arrive in your district in mid August, register early to get the learning sessions that you desire. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me. See you at the Fall Conference, *Creating a Culture of Learning*, I think all of Ohio's kids deserve that.♦

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### **ATTENTION OAASFEP MEMBERS!**

OAASFEP is proud to establish the OHIO ASSOCIATION OF ADMINISTRATORS OF STATE AND FEDERAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS scholarship award. As an OAASFEP member, you may nominate one candidate for the OAASFEP state scholarship program from your school/district. The qualifying candidate is an Ohio high school senior who plans to attend a college/university located in the state of Ohio for the fall semester to major in the field of education.

For more important information about the OAASFEP Scholarship Program, go to the OAASFEP Scholarship link below to download and print a copy of the application.

<http://www.oaasfep.net/Home/Assets/OAASFEPScholarshipformJune2013.pdf>

## NAFEPA Update

Dr. Everett Mann

### Tappin' with NAFEPA

In his play "Tappin' thru Life", Maurice Hines tells his and his family's story through narrative, song, and dance. The story spans the past seventy years and includes events leading up to the Civil Rights Act and ESEA as well as much that has happened in the fifty years since then.

As we respect the past in education as we move forward, I invite you to consider Tappin' with NAFEPA in 2014-2015. Here are some reasons why:

1. New Website-[www.nafepa.org/](http://www.nafepa.org/) Latest information about the organization, links to the state affiliates, and other links to information on federal education programs.
2. Federal Education Talking Points for 2014-Please join the conversation and email me your comments and suggestions for changes.
3. The Connection-Federal policy information with opportunities to offer input.
4. Ed Review-Federal policy and program information.
5. Webinars-Six each year with interactive features, latest one was on federal H.R. 5218 -The Great Teachers for Great Schools Act and the OAASFEP Board participated as a group while at the Board workshop.
6. NAFEPA Spring Conference, March 22-25, 2015, Washington DC, Fifty Years of ESEA theme
7. New NAFEPA Officers for 2014-2016-Denise Ling, President, South Carolina; Chris Richardson, Vice President, Maryland; and Kimberly Glass, Secretary, Arkansas-These new officers are working in federal programs in local districts and daily face program and budget issue similar to you. They will be available for you to share your concerns and answer your questions.

2014 is an election year for Ohio's Governor. Will he be reelected and will he continue to have majorities in the House and Senate? 2014 will also see elections for the US House and Senate. Will the Democrats keep the Senate and the Republicans the House or will one party gain control of both? State and federal education policies may be on hold until after the elections. In the meantime, most of us have RttT to work with as an extension and some of us have state Straight A grants.

Best wishes for the summer and school year 2014-2015...and I hope you will Tap with NAFEPA! ♦

Everett C. Mann

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If you are interested in serving OAASFEP  
in a leadership capacity,  
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