Richland County Association of Educational Office Professionals

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THE ESSENTIAL PIECE



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President's Message

Hello RCAEOP Family,

Itineraries has been filled with many highs and even a few lows during the 2021-22 year of our "Fantastic Voyage". Believe it or not, it is April 2022 and we are 75% through the school year.

How have your enjoyed your voyage? What type impacts have you made for self-care as well as positively impacting the success of students?

Though restrictions play a huge part in face-to-face interactions due to continued virus pandemic precautions, let us be thankful for technology that allows for virtually meeting, learning and networking.

The annual SCAEOP Conference was held February 3-6, 2022; the event was overwhelmingly as success. Awards were presented to Principal Inger Ferguson as SCAEOP's Administrator of the Year, as well as to me, Brian Weston, CEOE, as the SCAEOP Betty Blanton Office Professional of the Year. We are both grateful and honored to represent both our local and state affiliate.

Our committee chairs and committee members continue to do wonderful things for our members, students and community. Thank you continue to recruit; so you may pass the baton on for committees of the upcoming year!

Remember to check the website for updates. The website is resource rich for your growth.

In closing, you all play a vital role in your work environment. Remember, you are appreciated and YOU are an "Essential Piece"!!! Continue to have a "Fantastic Voyage"!

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or need any assistance at brian.weston@richlandone.org as we continue on our "Fantastic Voyage"!



2021-2022 RCAEOP President Brian Weston, CEOE



The mission of RCAEOP is to promote a high degree of integrity, professionalism, pride, teamwork, and respect of its diverse membership through networking, information, and educational opportunities.

What's Happening with RCAEOP

Committee News:

Nominations and Elections:

Please consider running for office and help keep this great association running. We cannot do it without you! Nominations and Elections will be coming up soon. Check-out the Bylaws for a description of duties for each position: President Elect, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Details regarding the upcoming elections and a new nomination form which was sent out to everyone can be found in the newsletter (page 5 and 6 respectively).

Reach out to the members of the committee, listed below, for any questions.

Jennifer Dyarmett, CEOE - jdyarmett@richland2.org Kimusha Samuels - ksamuels@richland2.org Regina Bell - rbell@richland2.org

Monthly Meetings

Meetings are generally held on the first Thursday of each month at the Richland Two Conference Center, located inside Columbia Place Mall, at 5:00 p.m.

Currently we will continue to meet with Google Meets or Zoom, until further notice.

Tentative Meetings:

Oct. 7

Nov. 4

Dec. 2

Jan. 6

Feb. 10

Mar. 3

Apr. 7

May 5

June 2

Committee News:

Professional Growth:

Our Professional Development Day is right around the corner, APRIL 23rd. Registration was open until March 29, 2022. A great day of professional development, networking and fun is planned to those pre-registered! PSP Program credits will be awarded.

Consider the Professional Standards Program (PSP), which is a voluntary certification program that encourages educational office professionals to grow professionally. Click here for more information.



PSP Recipients Recognized at the SCAEOP Conference:

Deneitra Jackson, CEOE Roxanna Cubero, CEOE Melissa Webber, CEOE

Recertified:

Sandra Baker, CEOE Marybeth Gawrys, GEOE Melody Wise Butler, CEOE

Connect with us on social media and Check out our new YouTube Channel











BYLAW PROPOSED AMENDMENTS REVIEW

Article I – Name - Mission - Purpose - Fiscal Year Section 3 – Purpose

RCAEOP was formed for the purpose of improving the quality of service to the schools of Richland County. To this end RCAEOP shall strive to elevate the standards of office professionals, and other support staff, in education by the exchanging and pooling of information, ideas, and ideals, and by providing professional growth activities, thereby increasing the ability of office personnel office professionals, and other support staff, to contribute to more positive educational experiences for students

Recommendation

To include, and other support staff, remove the words office personnel and replace with office professionals, and other support staff.

Rationale

To update the purpose of RCAEOP to be consistent with changes made in the Professional Standards Program and the new Certified Educational Support Employee distinction, and to be consistent with the definition of an active member, Article III, Section 2.

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Article III – Membership Section 2 – Active Membership

Active membership in RCAEOP shall be open to educational office personnel professionals, or other support staff, in any educational system or organization related to education in Richland County who has paid annual dues. Active members shall be eligible to vote on all matters coming before the Association, to serve on the committees, and to hold office.

Recommendation:

To include, or other support staff and replace the word personnel with professionals.

Rationale

To update the definition to be consistent with changes made in the Professional Standards Program and the new Certified Educational Support Employee distinction.

III.

Article III - Membership Section 4. – Retired Membership

Retired membership shall be open to any educational office employee professional, or other support staff, who has been a member of RCAEOP. The purpose of this group shall be to work for the mutual interests of its members and the association, and to encourage attendance and participation at meetings and conferences. Retired members shall have the same rights and privileges as active members except that of holding office.

Recommendation:

To include, or other support staff and replace the word employee with professional.

After 30 days, a ballot will be sent out to the members to vote.

Committee News:

Bylaws:

On March 23, 2022 an email was sent to the Association from President Weston to please review the proposed Bylaws update(s) and rationale. Questions regarding these updates are to be sent to the Bylaws Committee Chair, Jennifer Dyarmett, at idvarmett@richland2.org.

Rationale:

To update the definition to be consistent with the definition of an active member, Article III, Section 2.

IV

Article VIII - Nominations & Elections Section 2 - Nominations

Nomination for any vacant office may be made by a member or by self-nomination. No candidate may be placed on the ballot without the candidate's consent. Candidates for any office shall be active members of RCAEOP, shall also be members of SCAEOP and NAEOP, and employed full time as office personnel professionals, or other support staff, in an educational system. A candidate shall have been a member for at least two (2) consecutive years immediately preceding nomination.

Recommendation:

To include, or other support staff and replace the word personnel with professionals.

Rational

To be consistent with the definition of an active member, Article III, Section 2.

V.

Article XI – Amendments To Bylaws Section 1 – Amendments

Amendments to the bylaws shall be submitted in writing to the Bylaws Committee Chairman. A report on proposed amendments shall be presented to the Executive Board for information prior to presentation to the membership for vote. Proposals of the Bylaws Committee shall be provided to the membership no later than ten (10) days thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled voting.

Recommendation:

To change from ten (10) to thirty (30) days.

Rationale:

To be consistent with the number of days listed under the Amendments Section in our state (SCAEOP) and national (NAEOP) organizations bylaws.

NOMINATIONS

and

ELECTIONS

RCAEOP

We NEED You!

Get involved and make a difference

ONE OF THE
GREATEST GIFTS
YOU CAN GIVE IS
YOUR TIME

CONTACT

Nominations & Elections Committee



POSITIONS AVAILABLE

PRESIDENT ELECT

VICE PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

TREASURER

ELIGIBILITY / TERMS OF OFFICE

ELIGIBITY

- Must be an active member of the association whose annual dues are current
- Must be a member of SCAEOP and NAEOP
- . Must be employed full time in an educational system
- Must have been a member for at least two (2) consecutive years immediately preceding nominations

TERMS OF OFFICE

- President Elect & Vice President shall be one (1) year and each shall serve one (1) term
- Secretary & Treasurer shall be two (2) years and each shall serve one (1) term
- ~ Nominations for any vacant office may be made by a member or self-nomination.
- ~ Candidate must agree to nomination before being placed on the ballot.

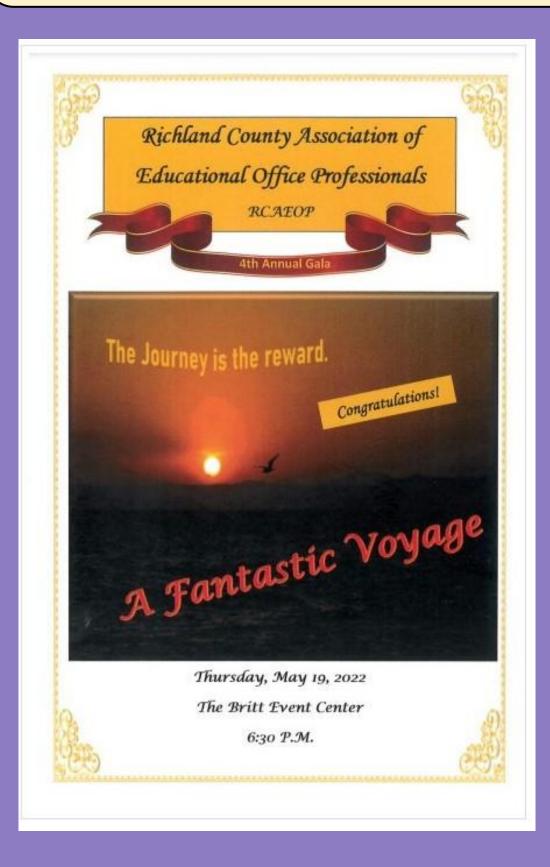
MISSION

Our mission is to promote a high degree of integrity, professionalism, pride, teamwork, and respect of its diverse membership through networking, information, and educational opportunities.



RCAEOP NOMINATION FORM 2022-2023 Executive Board

Nominee:	Full Name	
Work Location:	School/Department	
	District	
Contact Informati	on: Work Email	
Nominated Office	ε	
	President Elect	Vice President
	Secretary	Treasurer
Nominated by:	Full Name	Work Location
	Work Email	District
Nominee has bee	en contacted and agrees to nomination:	Yes No
Email to Nominat	ions and Election Committee no later than	APRIL 22, 2022
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IT'S BACK!!

Go to the RCAEOP website to purchase your tickets now! Don't wait and miss out on this wonderful event!!

Event AD details on the next page!

RICHARD COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS

4th ANNUAL GALA

SOUVENIR BOOKLET ADVERTISER FORM

FEE SCHEDULE

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Full Page - \$25	Business Card - \$10
1 / 4 Page - \$15	"Shout Out" - \$10
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All ads are subject to editing ads deemed unacceptable.	and formatting limitations: RCAEOP has the right to refuse an
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Day Phone#:	
Advertiser Signa	ture Date

SCAEOP Conference Highlights

Our very own President Brian Weston, CEOE, was named SCAEOP Office Professional of the Year!!

RCAEOP Administrator of the Year, Dr. Inger Ferguson was named SCAEOP Administrator of the Year!!

NAEOP President, Paula Rosenberger, CEOE, was giving away 4 free NAEOP memberships and Christine Lewis, won one! Congratulations!

President Brian Weston, CEOE, was recognized for 1st place in member recruitment, recruiting 21 new members and Laurie Canon, CEOE was 2nd place for recruiting 5 new members.

RCAEOP had 51 members in attendance and won 1st place for affiliate attendance.

RCAEOP members on the SCAEOP 2022-23 Board

Brian Weston, CEOE - Meeting Site Coordinator

Laurie Cannon, CEOE - Treasurer

Jennifer Hedrick, CEOE - Website Coordinator

Jennifer Dyarmett, CEOE - Area 5 Director

Melody Wise Butler, CEOE - Conference Chair, Presidential Advisor, Ways and Means

Bridget Bookert, CEOE - Presidential Aide, Community Service

Georgette Council, CEOE - Presidential Advisor





SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS

(SCAEOP)









Keeping families close

CHARLESTON, COLUMBIA, GREENVILLE

REMINDER to Include
ALL dropoffs, donations /
contributions via
SCAEOP Community
Service Project

ATTENTION OFFICE PROFESSIONALS! We are now ready to officially kickoff our annual Community Service Project. Thank you for your contributions in helping us support the RMH Charities of Charleston, Columbia and Greenville. We are now accepting non-perishable items to stock the pantries and toiletries to help families with those emergency getaways. For the months of March – June we will support the RMH of Charleston. Continue to save those pop-tabs for yearlong fundraising incentives for all three charity houses. Monetary donations received will be used to purchase items. For record-keeping purposes, receipts of items purchased will be submitted to the SCAEOP Treasurer. Submit ALL donations/contributions, drop-offs under SCAEOP Community Service Project. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Ask co-workers, families, and friends for their support and contributions.



Top Items Needed:



- Individual Coffee Creamers
- Disposable Coffee Cups
- Garbage Bags
- Paper Towels All Paper Products, Wraps Cutlery
- Individually Wrapped Snacks (Granola, Pudding, Oatmeal, Gummy Snacks, Crackers, Cookies, Ramen Noodles, etc.)
- Single size can goods w/pop tabs (Spaghetti, Ravioli, Fruit, etc.)
- Travel Size Toiletries
- Foil Pans
- To-Go Boxes



How You Can Donate Supplies:

SEND TO

Charleston Site Coordinator

Sydney Rice, CEOE Sampit Elementary School, 69 Woodlawn Avenue Georgetown, SC 29440

EMAIL / CONTACT

One of the above SCAEOP members for assistance

Kimmetta Tidwell, CEOE, SCAEOP President Fairfield County Schools

ktidwell@fairfield1.org / (803) 635-6818 ext. 14125

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

Charleston Site Coordinator

Sydney Rice, CEOE, Co-Chair Georgetown Schools srice@gcsd.k12.sc.us / (843) 527-4411

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Columbia Site Coordinators

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> Vickie McIntyre, CEOE Richland Two County Schools

vmcintyr@richland2.org / (803) 738-3291

DROP OFF RMH/CHARLESTON

ATTN: Alix Tew, (843-972-3038)

Any day of the week between 8am and 8pm, 81 Gadsden Street Charleston, SC 29401



SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS
(SCAEOP)

2022- 2023 COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT





SCAEOP COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

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Keeping families close









Hello, the members of the **South Carolina Association of Educational Office Professionals (SCAEOP)** are asking for your help. "We are determined to make a difference"! Save those Pop Tabs. Thank you for your support and contributions.

The Annual Charity of choice from March 2022 – March 2023 is the Ronald McDonald House Charities of South Carolina (Charleston, Columbia, Greenville). Your donations will go toward helping families in their most critical time of need. We will be using the wish list to start our campaign for items needed. Please contact one of the above SCAEOP members on how to donate. See below for the year-long contributions.

PAPER PRODUCTS

Paper towels, To-Go containers, Wrapped cutlery sets, Straws, Aluminum foil pans (full & half), Tupperware, Trash Bags, Disposable coffee cups (No Styrofoam), Wooden stirrers (No Plastic)

LAUNDRY / TOILETRY SUPPLIES

Fragrance Free Dryer Sheets, Laundry
Detergent, Laundry Baskets, Footies, Travel -size
(deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap,
mouthwash)

INDIVIDUAL WRAPPED FOODS

Condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, jelly), Ramen Noodles, Salad dressings, Sugar, Splenda, Powdered Sugar, Mini powder/liquid coffee creamers, Chips, Cookies, Oatmeal, Trail mix, Pop-Tarts, Canned goods w/pop tabs (spaghetti, ravioli, etc.), Individual packets of Coffee, Salt/Pepper, Pudding/Fruit Cups, Granola Bars, Water (Any on the GO items)



CHARLESTON (March 2022 – June)
COLUMBIA (July – November)
GREENVILLE (December – March 2023)

DROP OFF SITES

Or Contact Nearest Community Svc. Member

President Kimmetta Tidwell
Fairfield County Schools / 803-635-6818 ext. 14125

(CHARLESTON - MARCH - JUNE)

Sydney Rice, CEOE Sampit Elementary School 69 Woodland Ave. Georgetown, SC 29440 (843) 527-4411

(COLUMBIA - JULY - NOVEMBER)

Bridget S. Bookert, CEOE Olympia Learning Center 621 Bluff Road, Cola, SC 803-400-1694 Vickie McIntyre, CEOE Richland Two Schools

803-738-3291

GREENVILLE (DECEMBER – MARCH, 2023)
COLLECT & BRING TO CONFERENCE



News from NAEOP

Dear NAEOP members,

~ The NAEOP Annual Conference is just around the corner. Make plans to attend! This year the 2022 Annual Conference will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah from July 17 - 20

https://www.naeop.org/annual-conferernce

As always, Thank You for your support for NAEOP!

If you haven't seen it, NAEOP has a new website!! Check out the new website via the link below!

NAEOP Website

Click here to ioin NAEOP

Southeast Area News from Director Melody Wise Butler, CEOE

- ~ Save the Date!! The Southeast Area Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 7, 2022 from 2:30p-4:00p EST via Zoom. The meeting link will be forwarded closer to our meeting date. If you have any agenda items you want to discuss, please contact me directly.
- ~ SE Area Scholarship: This is a Southeast Area Member Dependent Scholarship. The deadline for submission is May 2, 2022. Application can be found on the Southeast section of the NAEOP website. In closing, remember I am here to be of service or assistance to you at any time, please do not hesitate to reach out. I can be reached via email at southeast@naeopboard.org.

National Association of Educational Office Professionals

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Fundraising Co-Chairs Shelia Washington, CEOE &

Joy Adams, CEOE

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Regina Henry

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Sandra Baker,CEOE

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Jennifer Dyarmett, CEOE

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Dana Weaver-Pushia

Professional Growth Tamara Baldwin, CEOE
Refreshments Co-Chairs Roxanna Cubero, CEOE &

Deneitra Jackson, CEOE

Scholarship Lorrie Holt

Social Media Co-Chairs Jessica Thompson, CEOE &

Maria Arias, CEOE

Website Jennifer Hedrick, CEOE