

NASSCED Member Resource Survey 2010

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State Represented *	Iowa
Organization Represented *	Iowa Association of Student Councils
Executive Director #1 *	Kelly Neiber
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Executive Director #2	
Executive Director #3	
Executive Director #4	
Approximate Number of Member Schools *	365
Annual Membership Fee	None
Does your membership elect State Officer...	Students/Individuals
Please describe how your association selects its State Officers/Schools:	Interested sophomores complete an application and essay, then go through an interview process with our board. The board selects the officers. They have a 2 year term.
Which best describes the sponsorship (if any) of your association?	Affiliated with your State Principals Association
Is the Executive Director of your association a full-time position?	No - with a stipend
Does your association currently have 501(c)3 non-profit status?	No
State Convention 2010-2011 date	Monday, October 25, 2010
For your State Convention, how are students primarily housed?	Hotel
For your State Convention, what is your primary meeting facility?	College Campus
Please identify and describe a unique or outstanding aspect of your State Convention.	It is a one day conference. Morning session is in a theater/auditorium where we have keynote speakers and award presentations. Our afternoon is held in a local building with various size rooms to accommodate our breakout/workshop sessions.
Other Conference/Event #1, with 2010-2011 date	Spring Recognition Banquet, Sunday, April 10, 2011
Other Conference/Event #2, with 2010-2011 date	Spring Advisors conference, Monday, April 11, 2011

Other Conference/Event #3, with 2010-2011 date	
Please identify and describe a unique or outstanding aspect of one of the three events listed above.	Banquet is to recognize all the state officers and their parents, advisors, principals. Our outgoing officers to an exit report via presentation to all in attendance to wrap up their term of office.
Does your association currently include middle level schools as members?	No - but we are seeking to expand membership to middle level
As State Officers?	
As Regional or District Officers, within your state?	
At the same state Conventions or Conferences?	
At their own state Conventions or Conferences?	
At Regional conferences?	
At NASC L.E.A.D. Conferences?	
At NASC National Conferences?	
In the same award programs as high schools?	
In their own award programs?	
Does your association conduct a summer leadership program?	YES
If your answer above was YES, please list below the name and summer 2011 date (if known) for each of your summer programs:	Iowa Leadership Training Camp, June 13-16, 2011 on the campus of UNI in Cedar Falls, IA. IASC advisory board meeting June 21, 2011 School Administrators of Iowa Conference August 3, 2011
What is the fee per delegate for your summer program?	\$350.00
Have a separate advanced level program?	NO
Have a separate middle level program?	NO
Serve as a prerequisite to becoming a State Officer?	NO
Award/Program #1 Description:	Administrator of the year award - honors an administrator that has been extremely supportive of student activities in their school and within the state of Iowa.

Award/Program #2 Description:	Advisor of the year - honors an advisor for their outstanding service to their council, school, community, state and nation.
Award/Program #3 Description:	Honor Council - honors student councils for the work they do through the school year. They complete a scrapbook of documentation based on the IASC requirements or standards. The highest honor is the honor council with meritorious distinction (95-100 points on the rubric). Honor council is given to those who score 80-94 points on the rubric.
How does your association deal with the issue of advisor turnover?	We unofficially try to link the new member up with myself or an advisor from their area to serve as a "mentor". I send out letters welcoming new advisors, offering my assistance and explaining our programs. IASC tries to network and support all of our advisors.
What is another significant problem currently facing your association, and how are you dealing with it?	Budget or finances.....we've partnered with our boys athletic union. They have provided financial assistance by doing all of our conference printing, mailings, and packets. They help us promote our events by sending our newsletters/mailings to all administrators including the athletic directors. This has helped raise our numbers at the fall conference and attract new schools to our events.
What advice do you have for someone who has just become a new Executive Director?	Start small! Find out what you are expected to do (via newsletters, events, etc) and build from there. It takes time to put your own touch on the programs you provide. I made sure to understand the inner workings of all of our services before I tweaked or changed anything. Then I slowly started making the changes and adding my own ideas and creativity into things. This helped with the rapport of advisors on the board and in the state that I wasn't just going to come in and change everything that had been done.

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