Executive Director Thoughts: AASPA continues to grow our state affiliate relationships. This past week, I reached out to many of you with regards to your state leadership, membership numbers and upcoming events. AASPA is just as excited as you to see your membership numbers grow. We are also excited to see your events coming back in person. In an effort to continue the success of both the national association and our state affiliates, we will be looking to increasing our affiliate benefits for 2021-2022. Your help is needed in identifying areas where you could use support. In addition, I will be putting together a calendar of state affiliate events. I believe that this could be used to not only promote your association to potential members in your state, but could help drive sponsorship involvement.

State Leaders Retreat: AASPA will be hosting the 3rd Annual State Affiliate Leadership Retreat, July 29-30, 2021, in Kansas City, KS. This event is open to state executive directors, presidents, presidents-elect and/or any designated association leader. This is a great opportunity to come and learn association best practices and gain new resources. More importantly, this is a great opportunity to network with other state affiliate leaders. Session topics will include changes to hotel contracts, marketing resources, vendor/sponsorship relations and of course how to run a hybrid event. For more information, contact kelly@aaspa.org.

Leon Bradley Scholarship: We have closed the application for this year's Leon Bradley Scholarship. I am thrilled to share that we had over 50 submissions this year. With that being said, we need your help in funding two scholarships this year in the amount of \$3,500 each. Please share this information with your members and encourage them to donate at https://www.aaspa.org/leon-bradley-scholarship.

The AASPA Summer Boot Camp on June 24-25, 2021, in Denver, CO at the Westin Denver International Airport is next week! It's not too late to join us for a fantastic opportunity to focus on your professional development and reflect on your leadership than with our lineup of inspiring and knowledgeable speakers. AASPA's Boot Camp is an unrivaled opportunity for PK-12 HR School System Leaders to collaborate across all levels and gather valuable resources you can use to help your teachers, employees and school district. We currently have 68 attendees registered for the event. Check out the amazing agenda and session descriptions, book your hotel room and register today at https://www.aaspa.org/boot-camp. In-person and virtual registration options are available!

Join us at the **AASPA's 83'^d Annual Conference**, October 12-15, 2021, in Washington, DC! Registration is open and we already have 129 attendees registered! Don't miss the deadline of June 30th to submit your session proposal. Watch for more information regarding keynote speakers coming soon and check out the amazing preconference sessions you won't want to miss! Join us on *The Road to*

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Recovery with your colleagues from across the county! Go to: https://www.aaspaconference.com/ for more information.

Save the date for these Professional Development events:

- Human Capital Leadership Summit December 2-3, 2021, in Phoenix, AZ
- Personnel Administrator Winter Boot Camp January 27-28, 2022, in New Orleans, LA
- Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Summit April 28-29, 2022, in Chicago, IL

"Books of the Month" - We have some great publications offered for the June books of the month. This month, we are focusing on the topic of "Rewards and Recognitions".

- The 5 Languages of Appreciation in the Workplace
- Unleashing Excellence...
- The Power of Moments...
- Bring Out the Best in Teachers...
- A Straightforward Guide to Teacher Merit Pay...

Don't delay and pick up your copy today at:

https://www.aaspa.org/products/featured-books. In addition, we have a Book Review on The Power of Moments you can view on our AASPA Blog at:

https://www.aaspa.org/news/aaspa-blog

Webinars for June – Please be sure to join us for our upcoming webinar in June.

• More Than State Certification: Hiring for High Quality Virtual Instruction – June 29th/1:00 pm CT

To register for this and more webinars go to: https://www.aaspa.org/upcoming-webinars.

Support Staff Virtual Series/July 20-21 – AASPA is excited to share that we will be offering the AASPA Support Staff Virtual Series in July. There will be five sessions held over the two-day virtual event. During this time, experts will share important information on topics that are relevant and essential to your work. You do not want to miss out on this amazing opportunity to learn more about yourself and hone your skills! For more information go to:

https://www.aaspa.org/events/support-staff-virtual-series-

Membership Update as of 6/17/21:

1,296 - Active 34 - Retired
128 - Support Staff 40 - Business
211 - Institutional Primary 29 - Complimentary
590 - Institutional Associate 31 - Honorary

152 - Institutional Associate Extra

Total: 2,511