

# N4ACORNER



are specific to our roles and responsibilities as practitioners on Tuesday, June 26.

Lastly, in January, our N4A Board of Directors met in Indianapolis, Indiana, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention and had great discussion in the areas of budget review, looking at the future of the Association, division and region reports, Convention planning, the newly launched academic integrity assessment, and current council and autonomy legislation. Leadership among the Board of Directors is incredibly strong and it continues to be an exciting time for our organization on a national scale. I am incredibly blessed to have the opportunity to learn from some of the exceptionally talented and experienced individuals that have served this organization both on the Board and as Past Presidents and truly appreciate the opportunity to serve the organization as the National Convention planner. Hope to see you all in D.C.!



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Time sure flies ... the 2018 N4A National Convention is only two and a half months away! We are incredibly excited to share some of the changes that the Board of Directors will be implementing to continue to provide impactful programming for our membership. We have worked incredibly hard to hear all of the feedback from last Convention and appreciate all of the comments and suggestions provided. Some of the improvements we will make for this year are outlined below.

Much of this year's focus will be on personal and professional development for our members. To accomplish this we are trying out a new format to include two workshops on Monday, June 25, focused solely on our own development in the industry and personally. Our leadership will develop these educational opportunities for individuals at similar points in their career path. We will continue to provide workshops that

We will offer two sets of concurrent large general session presentations (instead of just one at a time in the past). You will have your choice of attending an academically focused session or a student-athlete development focused session. These sessions will provide large group instruction opportunities specifically catered to the two general segments of professionals in N4A.

We will also be joining forces with our compliance colleagues in NAAC to offer concurrent sessions in conjunction with our afternoon workshops on Tuesday, June 26. You will have the choice to attend a concurrent workshop or a NAAC/N4A general session.

Through our workshop proposal process and N4A leadership we will be providing high-quality, dynamic, educational programming. We are finalizing our keynote speakers and are very excited to continue to provide our membership with opportunities to network with colleagues. We strongly encourage you to get more involved with our organization. It is a wonderful way to network with other colleagues, create dynamic partnerships, collaborate and grow professionally.



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