

CAPCSD
President's Fall Status Report
October 2019

Dear CAPCSD Members,

Welcome to Fall and another exciting year for CAPCSD!

Once again, we have an extremely talented and dedicated group of volunteers serving on your Board of Directors and many committees, as well as an extraordinary CAPCSD staff, who are all committed to expanding CAPCSD's reach through a variety of new and ongoing resources. This year we welcome to the Board our new President-Elect, Carol Dudding, Professor at James Madison University, new Secretary, Jayne Brandel, Chair and Associate Professor at West Virginia University, and new VP for Professional Development, Lisa Scott, Director of Clinical Education and Research Associate at Florida State University. Below is a brief update on the tremendous work that the Board, staff, and committees have been doing over the past several months.

- **New CAPCSD Website/Database System.** I hope you all have had the opportunity to experience CAPCSD's fantastic new integrated [website](#)/database system that was launched on August 1, 2019 – a major initiative targeting one of our five strategic priorities of '**increasing CAPCSD's visibility and member access.**' Our overall goal is to improve organization and navigation of our website content but also to enhance our communication ability with member programs, individuals within member programs, and CSDCAS users. We are continuing to learn new features and capabilities of the system and are excited about the many possibilities for better serving our member programs. We encourage you to participate in the CAPCSD Conversations in the member Info Hub.
- **Professional Development Committee.** I'm thrilled to report on the productive work of our new Professional Development Committee that was created and approved with financial support this past year at the Board's face-to-face meetings in January and July. The initiatives for this committee include hosting several [webinars](#) and podcasts throughout the year on selected topics relevant for faculty, administrators, and Ph.D. students. Collectively, these new resources are aimed at our strategic priorities of '**providing resources to assist programs in Ph.D. student recruitment and support**' and '**providing resources to assist programs in supporting faculty.**' One webinar was hosted in September for faculty on '*Building your Teaching Toolbox*' and two webinars in October for Ph.D. students and postdocs on '*Strategies for Ph.D. Scholarship Applicants*' and '*Preparing for Interviews.*' We hope that you, your faculty, and students will take advantage of these great resources and provide us with feedback and suggestions for future topics and presenters.
- **Call for Nominations:** A friendly reminder for you to consider nominating a colleague, group, or organization for a CAPCSD award. These awards are broken into three categories:
 - Honors of the Council: The highest honor bestowed by the Council

- Distinguished Contribution: Recognizing significant or sustained contributions to the Council
- Excellence in Diversity: Recognizing significant contributions to achieving diversity in the field of Communication Sciences and Disorders.

To learn more about these awards, please visit our [website](#). An Honors and Awards nomination form can be found [here](#). The nominations deadline is **Monday, December 2, 2019**.

- **Annual CAPCSD Conference**. Our conference planning committee has been hard at work on the **41st Annual CAPCSD Conference, April 22 – 25, 2020, in New Orleans, Louisiana**. This year's theme for the program is "*Unmask your Potential*," which will include a series of unique and varied presentations of interest for everyone – spanning clinical, academic, and administrative topics. Stay tuned to the [conference webpage](#) in the coming months for updates on conference activities and registration information.
- **Leadership Academy and Clinic Director Basic Training**. Related to the conference, the Board of Directors decided earlier this year to begin alternating on an annual basis our two specialty training programs – Leadership Academy and Clinic Director Basic Training. This was a fiscally minded decision that will allow CAPCSD to maintain fresh, high quality training programs while providing resources to support alternative training opportunities throughout the year (i.e., professional development webinars and podcasts). This coming year, the Leadership Academy will take place prior to the conference in New Orleans, April 21-22, 2020, and the following year (2021), Clinic Director Basic Training will be held prior to the conference in Atlanta.
- **CSDCAS in the Limelight**. We are very proud of the continued work that the CSDCAS committee, Director of Centralized Admissions (Megan Woods), and our VP for Organizational Advancement (Jennifer Taylor) have done to improve and enhance the CSDCAS platform and support the programs and students using CSDCAS. Their excellent work was recognized recently by Liaison International (the company of centralized admissions) in both an [online article](#) and an upcoming special webinar entitled, '[Holistic Review: A Practical Way to Diversify Your Class](#).' The webinar is accessible to cross-disciplinary CAS programs. We are very fortunate to have their talents working on behalf of CAPCSD and our member programs!
- **Welcome New Member Programs**

Affiliate Members:

California State University, San Bernardino
 DePaul University
 Rutgers University
 Stony Brook University
 Thomas Jefferson University
 University of Southern California

Institutional Members:

Purdue University Fort Wayne
California State University, Long Beach
Nova Southeastern University, AuD
Yeshiva University

On behalf of CAPCSD's Board of Directors, I hope the remainder of your fall semester is fun, productive and motivational. We look forward to seeing you at our fall business meeting at ASHA!

Wednesday, November 20, 2019

4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Reception with cash bar and light refreshments

5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Business Meeting

Hyatt Regency Orlando Hotel, Plaza I/J



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