

NASCA

2007 Mid-Year Meeting

January 27-29, 2007
Crowne Plaza-Dallas Market Center
Dallas, Texas

You're Invited

Please accept my invitation to the 2007 NASCA Mid-Year Meeting of the National Association of State Chief Administrators to be held in Dallas, Texas, January 27-29. This is your opportunity to either begin or continue to network and learn from your peers from across the country. NASCA realizes that it may be difficult for you to leave the state during your legislative session, therefore, this year we are offering a teleconference during the "What's Your Problem?" session.

If you're currently a member, I hope you will come to the conference prepared to share your wisdom and experiences. If you're thinking about becoming a member or just curious about the association and what it can do for you, I encourage you to come to the conference and meet your peers. NASCA continues to strive to create an association that will provide value to you in managing the business of government in your state. In addition, your deputy director(s) are welcome to participate in the conference.

The "What's Your Problem?" session is a price-less segment of the conference. If you would like to know how others handle specific topics and issues, need advice, want to steal an idea or just want to talk through a problem with your peers, this session will provide the answers you need. To ensure everyone's questions and concerns are addressed, please send your questions and topics to the NASCA staff by January 18. A list of discussion topics will be shared in advance which will allow attendees to come prepared to share their experiences and information.

I look forward to seeing you in Dallas.

J.K. "Hoopy" Stringer, Mississippi
NASCA President

General Information

Hotel Reservations

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Crowne Plaza Dallas Market Center in Dallas, Texas at a conference rate of \$95.00 per night, plus 15% tax. Make room reservations by calling the Crowne Plaza Dallas Market Center at 214-630-8500 and ask for the NASCA conference rate. The hotel must receive reservations **no later than Friday, January 12, 2007**. The hotel is located at 7050 N. Stemmons Freeway, Texas 75247 and the general phone number 214-630-8500.

Registration Policy

Pre-registration is required. Registration fees are due prior to the conference.

- Attendee registration: \$150.00
- Teleconference registration: \$0.00

All cancellations must be received in writing.

Airport Shuttle

The hotel offers a complimentary shuttle to and from the Love Field Airport (DAL). Should you decide to take a taxi, the average rate one-way is \$12 per person from Love Field. The hotel does offer a complimentary local area shuttle within a 5 mile radius of the hotel.

Breakfast Coupon

When you register at the hotel, you should receive two (2) breakfast coupons, which are good for a **FREE** buffet breakfast in the restaurant. Because breakfast is free with your reservation, NASCA will not be offering breakfast. If you want breakfast either on Sunday or Monday mornings, I recommend utilizing your breakfast coupons.



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Preliminary Agenda

Saturday, January 27
Arrive at your leisure.

Sunday, January 28
Complimentary Breakfast on Your Own, Hotel Restaurant
Utilize the breakfast coupon included with your room.

Registration, 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
Meeting Foyer

Welcome, Introductions & Association Update, 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Learn about NASCA's activities and committee projects.

Review Vision & Mission Statements 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Review the NASCA Vision and Mission Statements

Break
10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Develop New Member Orientation 10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Discuss and develop a New Member Orientation Program for the June meeting.

Lunch Provided
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Sunday Continued
What's Your Problem?

1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
New members and old alike can benefit from a rousing discussion of "how we handle that issue back home". Get advice, steal an idea or just commiserate with others who face the same challenges - you won't regret participating in this session. **Note: This session will be available via teleconference. Pre-registration for the teleconference is required.**

Break
2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Continued What's Your Problem?
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Group Dinner, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Meet in the hotel lobby and join the group for dinner. Camaraderie is free - dinner expenses are on your own.

Monday, January 29
Complimentary Breakfast on Your Own, Hotel Restaurant
Utilize the breakfast coupon included with your room.

Depart at your leisure.

Additional Information

Meeting Format

The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 28. The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Dallas Market Center in Dallas, Texas. Each attendee is responsible for his or her own hotel, airfare and food expenses, except for lunch on Sunday, January 28. The conference fee is \$150.00, which covers the food and other meeting expenses associated with the meeting.

Teleconference

The "What's Your Problem?" sessions will be available via a teleconference, however, PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Even if you aren't able to attend the conference, you can still communicate and get advice from your peers.

Questions

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Marcia Stone at 859-244-8181 or at mstone@csg.org. Or contact Andrea O'Leary at 859-244-8121 or at aoleary@csg.org.



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