



2008
MID-YEAR
MEETING

January 11-13, 2008
Renaissance Dallas Hotel
Dallas, Texas



YOU'RE INVITED

Please accept my invitation to the 2008 Mid-Year Meeting of the National Association of State Chief Administrators (NASCA) to be held in Dallas, Texas, January 11-13. 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, but this is your opportunity to set the vision for NASCA and learn from your peers.

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 priceless 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 4. 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.

John Richard, Oklahoma
NASCA President

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

Arrive at your leisure.

Networking Suite

7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

Registration

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. *Meeting Foyer*

Continental Breakfast *(provided)*

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Welcome & Introductions

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

NASCA Strategic Vision Exercise

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Discuss the future of the association and its benefits to its members.

Break

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

Strategic Vision Continued

10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Networking Lunch *(provided)*

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

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.

SATURDAY CONTINUED

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.

Networking Suite

Open following dinner.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

Depart at your leisure.



MEETING FORMAT

The meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 12. The meeting will be held at the Renaissance Dallas Hotel in Dallas, Texas. Each attendee is responsible for his or her own hotel, airfare and food expenses, except for breakfast and lunch on Saturday, January 12. The conference fee is \$150.00, which covers the food and other meeting expenses associated with the meeting.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact 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. Visit www.nasca.org for up-to-date information.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Renaissance Dallas Hotel in Dallas, Texas at a conference rate of \$111.00 per night, plus 15% tax. Make room reservations by calling the Renaissance Dallas Hotel at 1-214-631-2222 and ask for the NASCA conference rate. The hotel must receive reservations **no later than Friday, December 21, 2007**. The hotel is located at 2222 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75207 and the general phone number 214-631-2222. The hotel does offer complimentary parking.

REGISTRATION POLICY

The registration fee is \$150.00 per attendee. Pre-registration is required. Registration fees are due prior to the conference. All cancellations must be received in writing.

AIRPORT SHUTTLE

The hotel offers a complimentary shuttle to and from the Love Field Airport (DAL).

ALTERNATE TRANSPORTATION

If you decide to fly into the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport (DFW), you can rent a car or use a shuttle service.

Shuttle Services:

The rate is \$17.00 per person one-way. Or you can take a taxi which is approximately \$40 per person one-way. Yellow Checker Shuttle (*Recommended by the Hotel*) or Super-Shuttle.

Rental Car Companies:

For a list of rental cars companies available from the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport visit their Web site.

Visit our Web site for links to the shuttles and the airport: www.nasca.org.

Registration Payments

NASCA must receive registration pre-payments in the form of a check, credit card or purchase order (a copy of the original purchase order must accompany this form). We accept registrations by fax only if accompanied with a copy of a company purchase order or credit card number. All cancellations must be received in writing. No registration fees will be refunded after January 10, 2008. Any form without payment will not be processed. NOTE—If you are faxing this form, Do Not Mail Original. Please complete this form and fax or mail to the address listed below.

Boxed area will be used for badge information.

Full Name: _____ Name You Prefer to Be Called: _____
Title: _____
Company/Agency: _____
Dept.: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Attendee Payment Information:

\$150.00 Registration fee First-time Attendee

Prepayment enclosed \$ _____ Purchase Order # _____

Please charge my credit card \$ _____ American Express Mastercard Visa

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name (as it appears on card): _____

Signature: _____

Make checks payable to NASCA Mid Year Conference [Account Number 80-20-00-2108-44010] F.E.I.N. #61-1228745

Special Assistance

Dietary Preference: Regular Vegetarian Diabetic

Accessibility Assistance: Yes/Hearing Impaired: Yes/Blind

Other needs: _____

Fax form to NASCA at (859) 244-8001
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Conference information available at www.nasca.org

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