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President's Message (Sherry Woosley)

Maybe it's because I work in higher education but, for me, spring graduation is the time I reflect on the past year. And as I thought about the past year, I am proud of our (INAIR's) accomplishments. This year's INAIR conference was a success due to the wide range of support. First, we owe a big thanks to Andrea Ingle and Erika Knudsen for laying the groundwork to secure such an outstanding site – French Lick Resort and Spa. Second, AIR funded our BIRC grant and supported Cheryl Lucas's IPEDS workshops. Third, we had a number of presenters whose time and energy were reflected in the quality of the sessions. And, finally, all the INAIR folks who took the time to participate in sessions, touch base with colleagues, and reflect on what we do. The conference evaluations were strong and we received some good feedback. Overall, I had a great time seeing everyone and my only wish was for more time to talk to people – maybe next year.

Our other success as an organization is our growing membership. At the annual conference, I was intrigued to hear about a time when INAIR had less than 40 people. We currently are about 100 strong and include a wide variety of people, positions, and institutions. I am proud of our progress and hope that we can continue to meet the needs of our members. Please don't hesitate to pass on ideas and suggestions to myself or any Executive Board member so that we can continue our success.

A couple of upcoming opportunities that may interest you:

- The AIR Forum, June 2-6 in Kansas City, Missouri.
- INAIR will host an Affiliated Group meeting at the AIR Forum on Monday evening from 5:10 to 5:50 pm in the Westin/Washington Park Place III, Lobby Level. Please let me know if you have

issues you would like to discuss during that meeting.

- AIR is also offering two summer institutes:

(1) *Foundations I Institute*: The Practice of Institutional Research and

(2) *Foundations II Institute*: The Advanced Practice of Institutional Research.

If you have questions, check the AIR website and talk with your INAIR colleagues because many of us have attended AIR institutes.

I think that's it for now. Enjoy the summer and hope to see you all in Kansas City!

Sherry Woosley, INAIR President

Vice President's Message (Todd J. Schmitz)

As incoming Vice President I have the pleasure of planning the 2008 INAIR Conference. After the success of the French Lick conference, this will not be an easy task! Nonetheless, please reserve March 6th and 7th, 2008, on your calendars for our next gathering. We are tentatively looking at the Indiana Memorial Union for the site which should provide many opportunities for activities new to the INAIR conference. We will be sharing more about the conference as it approaches but we still need your help with one aspect – the keynote speaker. If you have any suggestions about a quality speaker for our event please send me an email.

Past President's Message (Andrea Ingle)

I hope this message finds everyone well. As mentioned at the INAIR conference, the old AIR Train-the-Trainer program has been modified and renamed the Pre-Forum Workshop Grant. This grant allows an INAIR state representative to attend

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a Pre-Forum Workshop at the 2007 AIR Forum in Kansas City, Missouri. The registration fee will be paid by AIR, and INAIR will provide \$100 toward AIR conference costs. These workshops are a method of outreaching and broadening professional development opportunities for members of AIR's affiliated groups. The INAIR Executive Committee selected John M. Novak, Director of Institutional Research, from Indiana University – South Bend as the grant candidate. His proposal was sent to AIR for approval, and I am proud to say that the AIR External Relations Committee accepted John's proposal. Congratulations, John! Also, a check from INAIR will be coming to you soon. Enjoy Kansas City, and I'm sure we'll hear all the details at next year's INAIR conference.

During the summer, AIR will be offering two professional development opportunities: 1) Foundations I: The Practice of Institutional Research July 9-13, 2007 at the DePaul University Center in Chicago, Illinois, and 2) Foundations II: The Advanced Practice of Institutional Research July 30 – August 3, 2007 at Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The AIR conference is soon approaching from June 2-6, 2007 in Kansas City, Missouri. I hope everyone enjoys the conference, and don't forget to attend the AIR Indiana Special Interest Group (SIG) – Monday, June 4 at 5:10 pm. If you're interested, here is the AIR Forum Website: <http://airweb.org>

From the Membership Committee (Maggie Dalrymple)

For those of you who were unable to attend the annual conference, don't forget to renew your membership for 2007 through the online membership form at <http://www.inair.org>.

If you have new staff in your area or know of someone on campus that might be interested in institutional research topics, please make them aware of the benefits of INAIR membership. Members may be anyone, including graduate students, who have an interest in institutional research and the annual fee is only \$15. Talk about a bargain!

Questions regarding membership may be directed to Maggie Dalrymple, Membership Committee Chair, at mld@purdue.edu or at 765-494-7108.

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From the Publications Committee (Iryna Johnson)

I hope you will find the information provided in this Newsletter useful. Thanks to those who contributed.

I would like to encourage everyone to use the website and the newsletters as opportunities to share the information among INAIR members. If you have information that could be posted on the website or included in the November Newsletter, please let me know.

Please direct questions/suggestions related to the INAIR web site and Newsletters to Publications Committee Chair, Iryna Johnson, at iryjohns@indiana.edu.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Kansas City.

UPCOMING EVENTS

International Assessment and Retention Conference Sponsored by NASPA will be held June 7-10, 2007 in St Louis, MO.

Further information on the conference is available at <http://www.assessconf.net/>

Summer Institute on First-Year Assessment will be held June 10-12, 2007 in Savannah, GA. Further information on the Institute is available at <http://www.sc.edu/fye/events/summer/index.html>

ACPA Student Affairs Assessment Conference will be held June 20-23, 2007 in Columbus, OH. Randy Swing is one of the keynote speakers. Further information on the Conference is available at <http://www.myacpa.org/pd/assessment/>

AIR Foundations I Institute will be held July 9-13, 2007, in Chicago, IL. Further information on the Institute is available at <http://www.airweb.org/p.asp?page=995>

The 4th Biennial Conference on Transfer and Articulation will be held July 29 - 31, 2007 in Tempe, Arizona. The conference theme this year is "Taking Transfer to a Higher Degree: Systems, Structures and Support to Improve Transfer." Sessions will cover a range of topics from strategic thinking for the future to developing research agendas to improve the student experience to practical hands on advice for best practices.

Further information on the conference is available at <http://bcta.asu.edu/drupal/>.

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AIR Foundations II Institute will be held July 30-August 3, 2007, in Philadelphia, PA.

Further information on the conference is available at <http://www.airweb.org/p.asp?page=995>

HONORS, PROMOTIONS, RETIREMENTS, ETC.

KATHY WILLIAM assumed her new duties as Secretary at the Office of Institutional Research at Vincennes University in Vincennes, Indiana.

PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS/PANELS

VICTOR BORDEN, Associate Vice President, University Planning, Institutional Research and Accountability, Indiana University, **ROBERT ZEMSKY**, Institute for Research on Higher Education, University of Pennsylvania, **MURIEL HOWARD**, Buffalo State College, and **FRED LANE**, School of Public Affairs, Baruch college, carried out the following panel discussion at the 34th National Conference of the National Center for the Study of Collective Bargaining in Higher Education and the Professions.

The Year in Higher Education (April 17)

BRENT M. DRAKE, Assistant Director, Enrollment Management Analysis and Reporting, Purdue University, and **BRIAN F. FRENCH**, Assistant Professor, Department of Educational Studies, Purdue University, made the following presentation at the American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL:

Validity Evidence of an Empowerment Instrument for Higher Education (April 2007).

SUSAN D. JOHNSON, Research Analyst, University Planning, Institutional Research and Accountability, Indiana University, made the following presentation at the Annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago, IL:

The terms of engagement: An examination of African American college student engagement at a PWI (April, 2007).

SUSAN D. JOHNSON, Research Analyst, University Planning, Institutional Research and Accountability, Indiana University, **WAGNER R. WINKLE**, University of Pennsylvania and **L.SANTIAGUE**, Indiana University made the following presentation at the Annual meeting of the

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American Educational Research Association (AERA), Chicago, IL:

Critical climate: The experiences of underrepresented minority graduate students at public versus private institutions (April 2007).

SUSAN D. JOHNSON, Research Analyst, University Planning, Institutional Research and Accountability, Indiana University, **J. KINZIE**, Indiana University, **J.BUCKLEY**, Indiana University and **K.ANDERSON**, Indiana University made the following presentation at the joint convention of the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) and National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), Orlando, FL:

Digging Deeper: How student affairs professionals can contextualize their NSSE findings.

MARK SCHAWITSCH, Research and Assessment Analyst, Office of Institutional Research, Planning and Assessment, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, made the following presentation at the SunGard Summit, Las Vegas NV:

Surveys on Steroids (March, 2007)

WILLIAM TOBIN, Director of Institutional Research, DePauw University, carried out the following webinar:

Data Visualization for Institutional Research Professionals (May, 2007)

SHERRY WOOSLEY, Associate Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Ball State University (BSU), **TODD PORTER** (BSU), **CHRISTOPHER HAUG** (WINTHROP UNIVERSITY), AND **DARLENA JONES** (EBI) made the following presentation at the 2007 ACPA/NASPA Joint Meeting, Orlando, FL

A Unique MAP for Residence Hall Professionals and Their First-Year Students

SHERRY WOOSLEY, Associate Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Ball State University (BSU) and **JOSH LAWRIE**, Syracuse University, made the following presentation at the 2007 ACPA/NASPA Joint Meeting, Orlando, FL:

Students and Assessment: Engaging Students in a Variety of Roles

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SHERRY WOOSLEY, Associate Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Ball State University (BSU), **DONALD WHITAKER**, Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness, BSU and **DARLENA JONES**, EBI, made the following presentation at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Higher Learning Commission, Chicago, IL:

Supporting First-Year Students' Success by Making Their Achievement Possible (MAP-Works)

PRESENTATIONS OF INAIR MEMBERS AT UPCOMING AIR CONFERENCE

PATRICK D. ALLES, Director of Research and Information Technology, Independent Colleges of Indiana, **VICTOR M.H. BORDEN**, Associate Vice President, Indiana University, and **SCOTT E. EVENBECK**, Dean, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, will make the following presentation:

Accountability in Action: Evaluating and Remediating College Preparation

VICTOR M.H. BORDEN, Associate Vice President, Indiana University, will make the following presentation:

An Interactive and Engaging Model for Selecting Peer Institutions

VICTOR M.H. BORDEN, Associate Vice President, Indiana University, will make the following presentation:

Good to Great: Implications for Higher Education Institutions and the Practice of Institutional Research

PU-SHIH D. CHEN, Assistant Research Scientist, Indiana University, and **SHIMON A. SARRAF**, Research Analyst, Indiana University, will make the following presentation:

Creating Weights to Improve Survey Population Estimates

PU-SHIH D. CHEN, Research Analyst, Indiana University at Bloomington, and **ROBERT M. GONYEA**, Associate Director of the Center for Postsecondary Research, Indiana University at Bloomington, will make the following presentation:

Engaging Distance Learners: Lessons Learned from the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)

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PU-SHIH D. CHEN (Author), Assistant Research Scientist, Indiana University, and **ROBERT M. GONYEA**, Associate Director of the Center for Postsecondary Research, Indiana University at Bloomington, will make the following presentation:

Validating the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) for Distance Education Students

ROBERT M. GONYEA, Associate Director of the Center for Postsecondary Research, Indiana University at Bloomington, **SHIMON A. SARRAF**, Research Analyst, Indiana University at Bloomington, **RICHARD SHOUP**, Research Analyst, Indiana University at Bloomington, **JULIE M. WILLIAMS**, CSEQ Project Manager, College Student Experiences Questionnaire (CSEQ) at The Indiana University, and **PU-SHIH D. CHEN**, Research Analyst, Indiana University at Bloomington, will make the following presentation:

Analysis of Multiple Years of NSSE Data: Tips and Strategies

MICHELE J. HANSEN, Director of Assessment, University College, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, **BARBARA JACKSON**, Associate Dean, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, and **GAYLE ANN WILLIAMS**, Assistant Dean, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, will make the following presentation:

The Influence of a Summer Bridge Program on College Adjustment and Success: The Importance of Early Intervention and Creating a Sense of Community

MICHELE J. HANSEN, Director of Assessment, University College, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, **SCOTT E. EVENBECK**, Dean, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, and **CATHY BUYARSKI**, Assistant Dean and Director of Advising, University College, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, will make the following presentation:

Improving First-Year Students' Academic Self-Efficacy and Performance: The Effects of an Academic Advising Intervention

IRYNA JOHNSON, Research Analyst, University Planning, Institutional Research and Accountability, Indiana University, will make the following presentation:

Student Attrition and Graduation at a Public Research University: Does High School Matter?

JILLIAN L. KINZIE, Associate Director of NSSE Institute, Indiana University, will carry out the following special interest group:

National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)

CAROL KUIPER, Enrollment Analyst, Purdue University, and **BRENT M. DRAKE**, Assistant Director, Enrollment Management Analysis and Reporting, Purdue University, will conduct the following workshop:

The Matrix Reloaded: Constructing a Markov Matrix for Projecting Next-Term Undergraduate Enrollment (June 2007).

PATRICIA J. MCCLINTOCK, Associate Director for Institutional Research and Effectiveness, Indiana State University, and **MARGARET L. DALRYMPLE**, Assistant Director of Institutional Research, Purdue University, will make the following presentation:

INAIR Best Paper: Communicating the Strategic Plan

JOHN V. MOORE, Research Assistant, National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) at Indiana University, and **MELANIE A. RAGO**, Assistant Director, PAS, Indiana University, will make the following presentation:

The Working Student's Experience: The Hidden Costs of Working on College Student Success and Engagement

CHRISTOPHER J. MAXWELL, Research and Planning Analyst, Purdue University, will carry out the following demonstration:

Developing Dashboards in BRIO/Hyperion without the Assistance of Wizard-Driven Applications, or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love JavaScript

GARY R. PIKE, Executive Director, Information Management and Institutional Research, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, **RICHARD D. HOWARD**, University of Minnesota, **GERALD W. MCLAUGHLIN**, DePaul University, **JOHN C. SMART**, University of Memphis, **ROBERT K. TOUTKOUSIAN**, Indiana University, and **RICHARD J. KROC**,

University of Arizona, will carry out the following panel:

Becoming a Published Author: Options, Requirements and Strategies

GARY R. PIKE, Executive Director, Information Management and Institutional Research, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, will make the following presentation:

Using Weighting Adjustments to Compensate for Survey Nonresponse

TODD J. SCHMITZ, Executive Director of Research and Reporting, Indiana University System, will make the following presentation:

A Profile of the 2004-05 Remedial Education Students, and Measures of Success for Subsequent Coursework, Retention, and Graduation Rates

T. RICHARD SHOUP, Research Analyst, Indiana University at Bloomington, **ROBERT M. GONYEA**, Associate Director of the Center for Postsecondary Research, Indiana University at Bloomington, and **JOHN V. MOORE**, Research Assistant, National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) at Indiana University, will make the following presentation:

Driving Report Generation: Saving Time with Excel Macros

SHERRY WOOSLEY, Assistant Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Ball State University, **DONALD R. WHITAKER**, Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Ball State University, and **DARLENA JONES**, Vice President for Research and Development, Educational Benchmarking, Inc. will make the following presentation:

The Next Generation of Making Achievement Possible: MAPWorks

SHERRY WOOSLEY, Assistant Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Ball State University will make the following presentation:

Using Assessment to Impact Students: Making Achievement Possible (131)