



*National Interscholastic Athletic
Administrators Association*

Section 1
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Dear Section 1 Colleagues:

I hope you are all enjoying your summer and getting to enjoy your time with friends and family. I know many of you just returned from the NEDC in Michigan. Glad you were able to be together and learn and serve your states and the NIAAA.

This summer has certainly been rainy in the northeast and doesn't feel like we have had much of a summer and yet fall sports will be starting soon. I wish you all the best for the upcoming year.

Attached please find information from the July Board meetings as well as other Section 1 information and deadlines. As my time on the NIAAA Board of Directors nears its end, I want to thank you all for your support these past 3 years and appreciate the opportunity to serve on the Board. I will work with Sean Dowling for a smooth transition over the next several months.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I look forward to seeing all of you in Orlando in December!

Sincerely,

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NIAAA News and Information



2023 President Frassinelli's Theme: Our PATH Together
Purpose, Aspiration, Trust, Humility

Board Goals

The 2023 Board goals include items relative to mental health of the Athletic Administrator and student-athlete, exploring virtual professional development opportunities, preparing for the 6th Strategic Plan, and increasing and promoting membership involvement.

Membership

NIAAA membership surpassed 14,000 members for the first time ever to close out the 2022-23 year. The final membership total as of June 30, 2023, was 14,801. That is an increase of 1,280 members in one year. Keep up the great work.

Below is information for Section 1. Once again, all 8 states will receive membership commendations with one state reaching record membership numbers. Great job everyone! Keep it up!

	Final 22-23 membership	Change from 2021-22	Record?	70% commendation?	10% growth commendation?
Connecticut	242 – 132%	+2		YES	
Maine	146 – 97%	-1		YES	
Massachusetts	407 – 108%	+13	YES	YES	
New Hampshire	138 – 155%	-7		YES	
New Jersey	421 – 97%	+17		YES	
New York	733 – 93%	+8		YES	
Rhode Island	98 – 134%	-4		YES	
Vermont	79 – 92%	+1		YES	
TOTALS	2264 – 104%				

Future Board Positions ([click here](#) for full document)

December 2023 in Orlando – 4 individuals will roll off the Board including me.

- **Section 1 rep from NJ** Sean Dowling replaces Lisa Gingras
- **Section 4 rep from Iowa** Brad Rose replaces Mike Mossbrucker
- **Section 7 rep from Utah** Everett Kelepolo replaces Xavier Antheaume
- **Region C At-Large Election** replacing Tina Woolard
Section 3 from South Carolina candidate is Carlos Cave
Section 4 from Indiana candidate is Rob Seymour

After that for Section 1 rep is NY, RI, VT, CT, ME, MA, NH

Next Region A At-Large election will be in December 2025.

National Initiative Assistance Network (NIAN)

2023 Initiative is No Kid Hungry

5th Strategic Plan

All 35 items were reviewed, discussed, and progress noted.

6th Strategic Plan

The General Chair as well as Chairs of the Programs, Operations, and Finance committees were chosen. All 4 individuals were contacted and accepted their leadership positions. (I am not sure if this information is public yet so I will not disclose the names at this time.

In December the 4 Chairs will meet in Orlando and begin the process to select committee members. The committees will be appointed by the Board in February.

The 6th Strategic Plan will be rolled out in Tampa in December 2025.

Professional Development & Certification

Webinars continue to be popular. Upcoming courses can be found [here](#).

New LTC course development – potential roll out Orlando 2023

- LTC 601 Athletic Department Handbooks
- LTC 603 Identifying, Establishing, Maintaining an Athletic Program K-12
- LTC 717 Identifying the Need for and Effecting Change in Athletic Administration

New LTC course development – potential roll out Austin 2024.

- LTC 718 Managing Tragedies within the Interscholastic Athletic Department
- LTC 639 Implementing Diversity Management Practices in Athletic Operations
- LTC 727 How to Build, Grow, and Sustain a Positive Athletic Culture in Your Program
- LTC 635 Supporting the College Bound Student Athlete

2022 certifications awarded: RAA 358, RMSAA 14, RIAAA, 22, CAA 298, CIAA 11, CMAA 68
As of June 13, 2023, there have been 13,525 certifications earned.

There is a new cohort for those pursuing QPA. The cohort will walk members through the process. QPA continues to grow and be very popular.

State Coordinators' Summit is September 9-11, 2023.

A new Coordinator toolbox will roll out in September.

Professional Outreach Program

The primary purpose of the Endowment Fund is to provide opportunities for leadership development in areas of the country that otherwise would not be able to afford it. Each year, applications are submitted from state associations that wish to use the funds for Outreach programs or grants. The NIAAA Outreach Program provides LTC 501, 502 and 503 in addition to one year of membership for each participant (who has never been an NIAAA member) and the opportunity for one of every ten participants to receive a scholarship to attend the National Athletic Directors Conference.

Each state is eligible once every three years but if funds are available, states can be awarded the Outreach funds more often.

For more information about NADC visit <https://www.adconference.org/>

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Section 1 Meeting

The spring 2024 Section 1 Meeting will take place in Connecticut.

Date, time, location TBD

Future Section meeting rotation

- 2025 Massachusetts
- 2026 New York
- 2027 Maine

After that it is NJ, NH, VT, RI

Scholarship Information

Please contact Nellie Crocker with details for contact info and deadline for your scholarships for 2023-24.

Awards and Deadlines

Award of Merit – selected by Board of Directors. Nominations can be submitted at any time.

Thomas E Frederick Award of Excellence – selected by Past Presidents

Hall of Fame – state nominations due to NIAAA office by July 1. [Click here for nomination form.](#)

State Award of Merit – nominations due to NIAAA office anytime throughout the year but by October 1 to be included in winter IAA publication.

