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Bosses Breakfast is Coming!
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Celebrate Success!

President's Message

As we begin a new school year, we are excited to welcome everyone back! This year’s theme is “Celebrate Success!” We want you to celebrate all your successes; professional, personal, big, and small. Your success could be finishing a big project at work or finally planting your flowers, whatever you do you are now a step ahead of where you were.

I was looking under the “Get Motivated” section of Reddit and found an interesting post. It talked about how “anything worth doing is worth doing poorly,” a quote by G.K. Chesterton. The person who posted this went on to explain how they took this quote. Some examples they used were brushing your teeth for 30 seconds is better than not brushing them at all when two minutes seems impossible, how standing on your porch for a few minutes outside is worth it after being inside for several days. Basically, what it comes down to is “how anything worth doing is worth doing poorly because doing it poorly is better than not doing it at all.”

No matter how small your success is, make sure to celebrate it!

Success is the sum of small efforts—repeated day in and day out.

Robert Collier
Bosses Breakfast Bowl
Homecoming Edition
Tailgate Takedown
Deans vs. VPs

Thursday, October 5, 7:30 - 9:00 am
Simplot Ballroom with MC Andy Giacomazzi
All are welcome
Breakfast $15 - Entertainment Free

The President's Office has granted release time with supervisor approval.

To sign up: https://commerce.cashnet.com/boisestateAOP
Meet the New Board for FY 23/24

President—Kenzie Long

I received my AA in Health Science from CWI and am currently working towards my BS in Interdisciplinary Professional Studies with certificates in Conflict Management and Leadership/Human Relations. I have been with Boise State’s Department of Public Safety since December 2021. I enjoy spending my time with friends and family as well as my animals.

Co-President Elect—Shelly Doty

Shelly Doty began at Boise State in Albertsons Library in August of 1990, and is currently the head of Access Services in the library. She has been active in AOP since about 2012, from positions of Keynoter editor to president. Prior to her involvement in AOP she was an active board member of the Association of Classified employees for about ten years, from senator to president. During her time at Boise State she has also raised three beautiful daughters, has two absolutely wonderful grandchildren and a great son-in-law (along with numerous grandpets). Ask her anything about the library and it’s resources, AOP or working at Boise State!

Co-President Elect—Angela Roberts

I have been at Boise State for almost seven years working as an Administrative Assistant in eCampus, but just switched to the Executive Staff Specialist for Extended Studies. I am excited to be more involved with AOP this year and share great opportunities for professional development, get to know each of you more, and share in your achievements.

Vice President—Brenda Baker

Brenda Baker received her M.A. in Communications from Washington State University in Pullman and has spent more than twenty years serving and supporting students from kindergarten through graduate school. Her professional experience in education encompasses admissions, communication, operations, marketing, budget management, and executive assistant duties. She currently supports 68 doctoral students and has the pleasure of working with numerous faculty--on our main campus and downtown--in Boise State’s robust, interdisciplinary Computing PhD program. Last fall, Brenda relocated from Seattle and is delighted to call Boise “home.” When she’s not working, you’ll find her painting, baking or planning her next Disney trip.

Secretary—Demi Hoff

Hello! My name is Demi Hoff and I have been with Boise State’s Social Work department for a little over a year now and recently became a Discussion Group leader for UF 100. I graduated from Boise State back in 2017 with a Bachelors in Psychology and Family Studies. I’ve attended AOP events during my last year with Boise State and I am excited to officially join the team. Outside of work I enjoy spending time with my small family, baking, and traveling.
Treasurer—Crystal Galea’i

Crystal Galea’i was born and raised in Nampa, Idaho and feels blessed to live close to many supportive family members and friends. She has been married for fifteen years and has three amazing sons. Her oldest is thirteen and the twins are almost twelve. They keep her extremely busy as they are all involved in sports and love to be outdoors. Crystal is starting her 2nd year at Boise State and has thoroughly enjoyed building relationships with her coworkers. Some of her passions include: Biblical studies, party planning/decorating, suicide prevention awareness, listening to podcasts/audiobooks, photography, drinking coffee and camping in Idaho’s beautiful mountains. She is looking forward to learning more about the financial side of AOP and being involved in the events that take place throughout the year.

Immediate Past President—Kim Wilcox

Kim Wilcox graduated in 2016 from Boise State University with a BA in Theatre Arts, design. Her career background includes office management and supervision, event management, building client relationships, and customer support and service. She is an accomplished vocal musician and studied dance and movement for over a decade. Kim loves to spend her free time with her family and friends.

Member Respresentatives—Katy Lightfield, Marianne Ledford, Maggie Dart, & Sam Davidson

Katy Lightfield—Katy Lightfield has spent career in the public, non-profit, and private sector. She currently works in OIT Business with Boise State University. She is working on her BA in Interdisciplinary Professional Studies. Katy is a native Idahoan and Priest Lake is her favorite place. She loves spending time with her family, the outdoors, and traveling.

Marianne Ledford - Hi! My name is Marianne Ledford and I have been at Boise State for 5 years in the Office of Continuous Improvement. I’ve been involved informally with AOP off and on over that time - attending events and helping out where I can. Very excited to officially be a part of AOP this year! When I’m not working, I enjoy gardening, reading, road trips and devoting many long hours striving to keep my dogs in the lifestyle to which they’ve become accustomed.

Maggie Dart—Hi, I am Maggie Dart. I am a Management Assistant at University Advancement. I will be graduating in the spring with a bachelor’s degree in Engineering with a minor in Environmental Studies. In my free time, I like playing disc golf and going on hikes with my husband and daughter.

Sam Davidson - I work in the School of Social Work at Boise State as a management assistant. I graduated from Boise State in 2015 with a BA in communication, and I am currently enrolled in the PMBA graduate program. I enjoyed attending all the AOP events last year, and as a new board member, I am looking forward to working with the rest of the board and AOP members to make our events this year fun and productive.

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We need your nominations for the 2023/24 Administrator of the Year and Office Professional of the Year.

Do you know an Association of Office Professional member who goes above and beyond as an office professional? Nominate them for our Boise State Association of Office Professional of the Year award.

Application Link: Office Professional of the Year Nomination Form - https://engage.boisestate.edu/submitter/form/start/411683

Active AOP members can nominate an administrator for the Administrator of the Year Award. Do you have someone in mind? Not an AOP member? Become a member and nominate that person! Or talk with a colleague who is a member to see if they'd like to nominate the administrator.

Application Link: Administrator of the Year Award Nomination Form - https://engage.boisestate.edu/submitter/form/start/411690

Nominations close on Friday, Sept 30. Award winners will be announced at the annual Association of Office Professionals' Bosses Breakfast.

Brown Bag Lunches
Grab a coffee or snack, sit back and enjoy these upcoming webinars

Don't Leave a Mess: How to Disaster-Proof Your Family Legacy
Sandy Pollack, Author and Family Business Advisor
Thursday, September 21st at 10:00 AM MDT

The Pivot Playbook: 10 Steps to a Successful Career Change
Caroline Francis, Board Certified Coach
Thursday, September 28th at 10:00 AM MDT

How to Speak Successfully When You’re Put on the Spot
Matt Abrahams, Author and Communications Expert
Wednesday, October 11th at 10:00 AM MDT

From Stuck to Soaring: How to Successfully Change Your Career
Octavia Goredema, Author and Award-Winning Coach
Wednesday, November 8th at 10:00 AM MST

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I have been encouraged to make goals since I was young. I recall every few months in my church youth group, lessons to encourage us to set more goals. They were mainly small tasks with dates to finish within a few months with an occasional longer time period. I hated doing them, but liked the idea of getting a reward at the end (this was always some type of nice jewelry or figurine). While I knew they were good for me and helped me start some good habits, I didn’t really understand what potential they can have if I truly took the time consider what I want to become and how these goals would get me there.

I still cringe when January rolls around and time for performance evaluations roll around. Hearing the word “SMART” goals really gets my anxiety going. In my mind it wastes a lot of time to try to worry about if my goals are Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound. I just want to list a quick statement and be on my way!

I have found, usually the harder the battle, the sweeter the success. As we are inspired to “Celebrate Success” let’s remember “No matter how small your success is, make sure to celebrate it!”

As you set those goals, add a celebration of some type to each of them and let’s make it sweet.
It was a privilege to meet so many great people and presenters at the recent NAEOP conference in Omaha. One of the presenters I would like to focus on is the Keynote speaker, Dean Jacobs.

7 Wonders - 7 Lessons. Dean is a traveler, photographer, author, and speaker who hopes to inspire others to see that “on the other side of the wall of fear, is a whole new world to be explored.” He tied seven great experiences during his travels to questions we can ask ourselves as inspiration to look beyond our fears and feed our dreams. He asked “where does generosity show up in your life?”, “where does gratitude show up in your life?”; then continued on with dignity, curiosity, humility, respect, and kindness. Finishing with asking where family/community show up in our lives. What are each of us doing to make our families and communities be a better place by letting our fears go and turning them into goals of hope for making a better world. If these attributes are not showing up in my life very much, maybe I need to take a deeper look into what fears are holding me back. I probably won’t ever become a world traveler, but I can and should be sharing these attributes in my local community. If you would like to learn more about Dean, his website is www.deanjacobs.org.

A few Breakout sessions
A quick note about some of the breakout sessions I attended:

Sex Trafficking ... It Happens in Nebraska and It Can Happen in Your State - Paul Yates. As this is definitely become an issue around the world, it has me looking at what I can do to help in our state. Here are just a few Idaho resources: https://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/pt/summit/20201008HumanTrafficking.pdf , https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign/community-leaders.

Photography using your Mobile Device – John Keller. Soooo much information in so little time. Perhaps I can practice and learn enough to share in our spring PD event. One free app the presenter shared that goes beyond the basics your phone provides - Snapseed.

Lighting the Fire of Communication – Debbie Wade. FIRE–F: First eye contact, Find common ground, Figure out question being asked. I: Ignite a spark - do something, Interest - show some, Ignore distraction. R: Red hot - be the best, Rekindle - if communication dies down, Repeat as necessary. E: Excel in listening, Explain again if needed, Excitement.
Do you like to write or know a great article to share in the Keynoter? We’d love to see it!

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The Professional Standards Program (PSP) is a voluntary program established by the National Association of Educational Office Professionals (NAEOP) to encourage education office personnel to grow professionally. The privilege of participation is open to active and retired members only.

The program is allows NAEOP members to take progressive steps to their desired professional growth level through earning one or more of nine PSP certificates. The awarding of a certificate based on education, experience and professional activity recognizes each level of achievement in the program. The current highest-level certificate must be recertified five years from issue date or upgraded according to the guidelines to be considered current by NAEOP.

A member who holds the Advanced III or above, is qualified to apply for the distinction of Certified Educational Office Employee (CEOE) or Certified Educational Support Employee (CESE). The CEOE and CESE are sustained distinctions with no need for recertification and are valid with NAEOP membership.

If interested in obtaining your PSP certificate, here is some useful information:

- Keep track of all training you receive either on or off campus
- Get a copy of your unofficial transcript to verify your education credits
- Make copies of all certificates of training (make sure you get a certificate at each training you attend)
- Keep track of all your membership/volunteer work in BSUAOP, and NAEOP (10 points are needed for PSP applicants)

Membership = 1 point each for national, state, and local association, per year (limit 3 points per year)
Elected Officer or Committee Chairman = 2 points per position / per year
Workshop/Seminar Presenter or Keynote Speaker = 1 point per completed presentation
Committee Member = 1 point per committee / per year
Advisor to NAEOP member serving as an officer on local, state, or NAEOP Board of Directors = 1 point per position / per year

PSP Endorsements

The PSP Program is endorsed by:
- National Association of Secondary School Principals
- Association of School Business Officials International
- National Association for Public Relations Association
- National Association of Elementary School Principals
- American Association of School Administrators

The underlying concepts of the Program are endorsed by:
- American Association for Adult and Continuing Education

For questions contact SP Chair, Shelly Doty - sdoty@boisestate.edu

To find out more check out the NAEOP website: Professional Standards Program

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BSUAOP Membership List 2023/2024

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“There is immense power when a group of people with similar interests gets together to work toward the same goals.”
– Idowu Koyenikan

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2023-2024 Calendar

Aug 3, 2023  EBM* – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
Sept 7, 2023  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
Oct 5, 2023  Bosses Breakfast - 7:30-9 am - Simplot Ballroom
Oct 5, 2023  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
Nov 2, 2023  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
Nov 16, 2023  Holiday Auction- 11:30 am-1:00 pm - SUB/Simplot Ballroom (tentative)
Dec 7, 2023  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
Jan 4, 2024  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
Feb 1, 2024  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
March 7, 2024  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
April 4, 2024  EBM – 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
TBD  Professional Development Day– TBD
May 2, 2024  EBM– 2:30-3:30 pm – Zoom
June 2024  Annual Meeting and Luncheon - TBD

July 14-17, 2024  NAEOP 87th Annual Conf - DoubleTree Downtown, Little Rock, AR

*EBM (Executive Board Meeting)

Want to ask us something? Have a suggestion or reason to cheer?

There’s a number of ways you can contact AOP and anyone on the board.

Email: aop@boisestate.edu
Website: https://www.bsuaop.org/

This is your organization. Help us make it great! Let us know if a member is celebrating a milestone!
We’d love to feature them in the newsletter!

• Suggest workshops
• Promotion
• Volunteer to help out
• Retirement
• Give us ideas
• Conferences attended
• General comments

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