Alex DeLonis STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY Representative-at-Large

When I started as a Federal Work-Study student in my community college's financial aid office, I had no idea it would lead me here. As a first-generation college student and Pell Grant recipient, I found a profoundly rewarding profession in financial aid—and I wouldn't trade it for anything. Working across diverse institution types has shown me firsthand how varied challenges impact each sector, which has greatly informed my service on the NASFAA Board of Directors. My journey with NASFAA began as a participant in the Diversity Leadership Program, and it's been a transformative experience ever since. Serving on the Board during FAFSA Simplification was an incredible reminder of the vital role NASFAA plays in supporting our profession, and it made me even more passionate about the association's mission. I'm eager to continue this work—strengthening NASFAA to support financial aid administrators nationwide during these turbulent times. My goal is to help create positive change that makes higher education accessible for students who, like me, rely on grants, loans, and need-based employment to achieve their dreams. This is why I'm thrilled to submit my candidacy for NASFAA Representative-at-Large.

REPRESENTATIVE-AT-LARGE RESUME

NAME:	Alex DeLonis			
REGION:	MASFAA			
CURRENT POSITION: From: February 2024	Assistant Vice President for Student Financial Services St. Louis University, MO			
PREVIOUS POSITION: From: April 2019 to February 2024	Associate Dean of Enrollment – Director of Financial Aid Crawfordsville, IN			
PREVIOUS POSITION: From: February 2016 to April 2019	Director of Financial Aid Processing Indianapolis, IN			
EDUCATION:	M.Ed, Higher Education Administrative Services McKendree University Lebanon, IL - December 2013 B.A., Psychology Northeastern Illinois University Chicago, IL – May 2011 A.A. Harper College Palatine, IL – May 2008			
TYPE OF INSTITUTION:	Private, 4 year			
SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:				
NASFAA	2024-2025 2023-2025 2023-2025 2023-2025 2023-2025 2023-2025 2023-2025 2023-2024 2022-2023 2022-2023 2022-2023 2021-2023 2021 2020-2021	DLP Mentor President/CEO Search Committee Leadership Conference Committee Member Board of Directors – Treasurer Financial Affairs Committee Chair Blue Icon Board of Directors – Secretary Rapid Response Network FAFSA Simplification Community Influencer Vice Treasurer Paying for College Transparency Initiative – Subject Matter Expert FAFSA Simplification Implementation Working Group Advocacy Pipeline Participant Diversity Leadership Program Participant		
MASFAA	2024-2025 2023	Archives & Research Chair Meritorious Service Award		

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	2023-2024	Professional Development & Advocacy Committee
	2023-2024	Committee of the Year - Professional Development &
	2023-2024	Advocacy Committee Indiana State Representative
	2023-2024 2022-2023	Committee of the Year – Conference Local
	2022-2025	
	2023	Arrangements State Leadership Award
	2023	Conference Local Arrangements Co-Chair
	2022-2023	Executive Board – Treasurer
	2020-2022	Executive Board – Treasurer-Elect
	2019-2020	Archives Taskforce Chair
	2019-2020	Executive Board Delegate-at-Large
	2018-2020	Strategic Planning Taskforce Member
	2017-2018	Conference Program Co-Chair
	2017 2018	Professional Development Committee Co-Chair
	2015-2016	Summer Institute Faculty
	2013 2010	Summer institute racuity
MASFAP	2024-2025	DEI Committee Co-Chair
	2023-2024	DEI Committee Member
ISFAA	2023-2024	Executive Board – President-Elect
	2022-2023	Committee of the Year – Conference Local
		Arrangements
	2022-2023	Executive Board – Commissioner
	2022-2023	Archives Committee Co-Chair
	2020-2023	Access, Equity, & Diversity Committee Co-Chair
	2021-2022	Executive Board – Past Treasurer/Finance Chair
	2020-2021	Executive Board – Treasurer
	2019-2020	Distinguished Service Award
	2017-2021	Professional Development Committee Member/Trainer
	2018-2020	Executive Board – Treasurer-Elect
	2017-2018	Executive Board – Treasurer-Elect
	2016-2017	Conference Program Co-Chair
ILASFAA	2015-2016	Conference Facilities Co-Chair
-	2012-2015	Diversity Issues Committee Member
	2014-2015	Executive Board - Northern Regional Coordinator
	2013-2014	Diversity Issues Committee Chair
	2012-2013	Committee of the Year – Diversity Issues Committee
	2012-2013	New Professional Award