

The Pennsylvania Association for College Admission Counseling

Responsibilities of Leadership

The President's Council and Executive Committee of PACAC serve to advise the President and provide administrative leadership in developing and implementing Association policies, programs, and services.

Membership of the President's Council includes:

- President
- President-Elect
- Immediate Past President
- Treasurer
- Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee
- Director for Public Advocacy
- Director for Professional Development
- Director for Marketing and Communications
- PACAC Executive Assistant/Director (non-voting)

Membership of the Executive Committee includes:

- The President's Council
- Three At-Large Delegates to the Executive Committee
- All Standing Committee Chairpersons
- PACAC Executive Assistant/Director (non-voting)

Non-voting, advisory members of the Executive Committee:

- Treasurer-Elect
- Conference Planning Committee Chair-Elect
- Ad Hoc Committee Chair (if applicable)

All President's Council and Executive Committee members must be individual voting members or their institution's principal voting member of PACAC at the time they assume office and maintain this membership throughout their term. President's Council and Executive Committee Members are also expected to be NACAC voting members.

General Responsibilities

In carrying out their functions, members of the President's Council and Executive Committee are subject to two primary legal obligations: a duty of care and a duty of loyalty. The duties of care and loyalty are the common law terms for the standards that the law uses to gauge the legality of a governing member's acts or omissions. The duty of care calls upon each member of the President's Council and Executive Committee to participate in the decisions of the committee and to keep informed with respect to such decisions. The duty of loyalty requires all members to exercise their powers in the interest of PACAC, rather than in their own personal interest or the interest of another entity or person.

By assuming office, all members of the President's Council and Executive Committee acknowledge that with regard to any activity or opportunity, the best interest of PACAC must prevail over their individual interest. The President's Council and Executive Committee members shall not use their PACAC position for individual personal advantage. Before President's Council or Executive Committee members engage in a transaction which they should know may be of interest to PACAC, they must disclose the transaction to the Executive Committee in sufficient detail and give adequate time to enable the Executive Committee to act or decline with regard to such transaction. A corporate opportunity arises when a member knows that participating in a transaction would possibly fall within, or compete with, PACAC's present or future activities. The Member must affirmatively present the opportunity to the Executive Committee before participating in the transaction outside PACAC.

Specific Responsibilities

Each member of the PACAC President's Council and Executive Committee has these specific responsibilities:

- To participate fully in all meetings of the Executive Committee. There are normally two Executive Committee meetings each year, plus those called by the President as needed. All members of the Executive Committee are expected to attend all Executive Committee meetings. Excused absences are at the discretion of the President. Failure to meet this obligation may result in dismissal from the Executive Committee.
- Members of the President's Council, which is comprised of the Officers (President, President Elect, Immediate Past-President, Treasurer and Chair of Finance and Budget) along with the Director of Public Advocacy, the Director of Professional Development, the Director of Marketing and Communications, and the Executive Assistant/Director, meet twice a year in addition to attending the two Executive Committee Meetings.
- To serve as a voting member of the President's Council or Executive Committee (unless you hold a non-voting position as indicated in the descriptions) and as a voting member of PACAC
- To be a voting member of NACAC (with the exception of the Executive Assistant/Director)
- To become familiar with and uphold the Bylaws of PACAC
- To be aware of and review all leadership documents and guidelines in the Leadership Portal on the PACAC website
- To provide quarterly written progress reports as requested by the President and Executive Assistant/Director in advance of the Executive Committee meetings and the President's Council meetings, regardless of attendance at said meetings
- To prepare, if appropriate, well-documented budget proposals for submission to the PACAC Finance and Budget Committee for consideration in the Association's overall operating budget development
- To maintain an accurate accounting of expenditures, including receipts, for all PACAC programs and initiatives within their purview
- To ensure that all work on behalf of the Association promotes the goals identified in PACAC's Strategic Plan
- To compose any email messages to be sent to the PACAC membership that relates to your committee or programming
- To monitor assigned PACAC email account on a regular basis (if applicable)
- To encourage a culture of giving among PACAC members, led by the Executive Board

At-Large Delegate

The responsibilities of the At-Large Delegate to the PACAC Executive Committee include:

- Serve on the PACAC Governance & Nominating Committee
- Identify general membership concerns
- Lead or serve on any ad hoc committee designated by the President to address identified concerns; provide updates to the Executive Committee
- If a Bylaw amendment is urgently needed due to imminent threat (see Bylaws section on Amendments), discuss and vote on said amendment along with the PACAC Officers
- Serve voluntarily on a standing committee of choice
- Maintain regular communication with President
- Executive Committee duties as laid out on page 5

Estimated Time Commitment for an At-Large Delegate to the PACAC Executive Committee:

Executive Committee Member NACAC Conference PACAC Conference Governance and Nominating Committee Standing committee meetings Planning and preparation 5 days per year 4 days per year 3 days per year 1 day per year 4 days per year 3 days per year