

# 2023 SDASFAA AWARDS CEREMONY

*Wednesday, April 5, 2023*

*Rushmore Hotel*

*Rapid City, South Dakota*



## RECOGNITION OF 2022 COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

For service as a volunteer on a SDASFAA committee for 2022

### 2022-23 Training Committee

Carissa Koerner, Chair  
Hayli De Jong, SDSU  
Marlene Seeklander, LATC  
Stephanie Jones, NAU  
Elizabeth Augustine, SDSU  
Sharon Martin, WDTC

### 2022 Fall Training Conference Committee

Sydney Chapman, SDSU – Co-Chair  
Morgan Stadler, NSU – Co-Chair  
Laura Reed, DSU  
Marlene Seeklander, LATC  
Theresa Neilan, LATC  
Stephanie Frank, SDSU  
Karrie Morgan, USF  
Sharon Martin, WDTC

### 2022 Review Committee

Catherine Mueller, MYF – Chair  
Julie Forman, LATC  
Stephanie Jones, NAU  
Becky Pribyl, NSU

### 2023 Spring Conference Committee

Carissa Koerner, USF – Co-Chair  
Kristy O’Kief, WDTC – Co-Chair  
Morgan Stadler, NSU  
Hayli De Jong, SDSU  
Elizabeth Augustine, SDSU  
Ken Kocer, MMU  
Catherine Mueller, MYF

### 2022 Membership & Records Committee

Kristy O’Kief, WDTC – Chair  
Carrie Jordanger, LATC  
Melinda Fedeler, DSU  
Stephanie Jones, NAU

### 2022 Communication & Website Committee

Tracey Buisker, SDSU – Chair  
Melinda Fedeler, DSU  
Catherine Mueller, MYF  
Kristy O’Kief, WDTC

### 2022 Recognition Committee

Carissa Koerner, USF – Chair  
Kristy O’Kief, WDTC  
Erin Richards, SDSMT

## RECOGNITION OF 2022 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Kristy O’Kief, President  
Carissa Koerner, Past-President  
Kristy O’Kief, President-elect  
Melissa Simpson, Secretary  
Carrie Jordanger, Treasurer

Sydney Chapman, Member-at-Large  
Morgan Stadler, Member-at-Large  
Karrie Morgan, Member-at-Large  
Laura Reed, Member-at-Large  
Catherine Mueller, Associate Member

## YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS

This award began in 1995 to recognize SDASFAA members who have dedicated many years to the financial aid profession. Starting at 10 years, members are recognized every 5 years thereafter.

### 10 Years

Ann Emerson, University of South Dakota  
Carissa Koerner, University of Sioux Falls  
Valerie Solano, SD School of Mines & Technology

### 15 years

Kari Neal, University of South Dakota  
Jill Corbin, Dakota State University

### 20 Years

Jon Muhs, Southeast Technical College  
Linda Shumaker, University of South Dakota

### 25 Years

Kim Nida, SD School of Mines & Technology

## RECOGNITION OF RETIREES

To honor the dedicated service and personal contributions made to SDASFAA and the financial aid profession by individuals who have or will retire in 2022-2023.

Ken Kocer, Mount Marty University  
Carmen Neugenbauer, Mitchell Technical College  
Marlene Seeklander, Lake Area Technical College

Paula Carlson, SD Education Access Foundation  
Brad Riebel, Sallie Mae

## DOUGLAS STECKLER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD

This award was established by the SDASFAA Executive Council May 26, 1992 in remembrance of Doug Steckler, the first SDASFAA President who died April 22, 1992 at age 69. The purpose of the award is to recognize one member for service to the association. The Douglas Steckler Professional Development Award is presented at the annual meeting by the Recognition Committee from nominations solicited from the membership-at-large. It includes a plaque and a \$100 voucher to be used for professional development at the recipient's discretion during the following year.

## OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

This award was established by the SDASFAA Executive Council in 1994. The purpose of the award is to recognize a member for service to the association over a considerable time through professional contributions and leadership. Awarded to one member annually who is nominated from the membership-at-large.