

TO: Collegiate NYSSMA Advisors and Chapters
FROM: Dr. Keith Koster, State Collegiate NYSSMA Advisor
MEMO: Greetings & Information for 2019 – 2020

On behalf of NYSSMA, I would like to extend to you greetings and best wishes for a successful 2019-2020 academic year. Please find enclosed the following information:

- Welcome letter and contact information for your State Collegiate Officers
Please pass or duplicate and distribute this letter to your collegiate chapter officers and members.
- 2019-2020 Collegiate membership registration instructions
*Students can join or renew by locating the “Membership” link on **either one** of the following websites:*

National Association for Music Education (NAfME)
For membership: www.nafme.org

OR

New York State School Music Association (NYSSMA)
For membership: www.nyssma.org
COST to join or renew: \$41.00 [Covers both state and national dues.]

Conferences for 2019 - 2020

NAfME National Conference

WHEN: November 6 – 10, 2019

WHERE: Orlando, FL

Gaylord Palms Resort and Convention Center

6000 W. Osceola Parkway

Kissimmee, FL. 34746

COST: Pre-registration through September 6, 2019 is \$75.00;

Pre-registration from September 7, 2019 through October 21, 2019 is \$99.00

Onsite registration is \$125.00

TRAVEL: Delta, American, and United are offering discounts for attendees.

Visit nafme.org for more details.

LODGING: Approximately \$250.00 per night per room plus taxes and fees

State Winter NYSSMA Conference

WHEN: December 5 - 8, 2019

WHERE: Rochester Convention Center

COST: \$40.00 (pre- and on-site registration fee is the same)

For more information: Visit www.nyssma.org

New York State Collegiate-NYSSMA Conference

WHEN: February 14 – 15, 2020

WHERE: The College of Saint Rose, Albany, NY

COST & REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

ONLINE REGISTRATION LINK:

For more information, contact

Dr. Jennifer Campbell, Conference Coordinator: CAMPBELJ@mail.strose.edu

State Summer NYSSMA Conference

WHEN: August 9 - 12, 2020

WHERE: Albany Hilton, Albany, NY

ONLINE Registration Link: www.nyssma.org

I look forward to your participation at these exciting events scheduled for this year. C-NYSSMA will continue to be successful as more collegiate chapters make a commitment to be visible and active participants at these in-services and conferences. Please mark your calendars and encourage your chapter members to get involved this year.

If you are contacted by any one of our Province Representatives requesting information about your chapter, **please respond**. It will only take a moment of your time. They have the thankless job of gathering information to report to collegiate membership at NYSSMA Executive council meetings. Help make their positions rewarding, valued, and fulfilling. If you don't feel that you have the time to respond, pass that request on to your collegiate chapter officers or another responsible student member. Thank you.

Should you need any assistance in getting your chapter members to attend in-services and conferences scheduled this year or if you need any suggestions about how to establish or maintain an active chapter, please feel free to contact our State Collegiate officers:

President:	Derek Schmelter [derek.schmelter25@gmail.cuny.edu]
State President-Elect:	Daria Barteldt [dbarteldt99@gmail.com]
Secretary-Treasurer:	Morgan Beaton [mbeaton8@mail.naz.edu]
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#1107 SUNY Buffalo State (Victoria Furby, Advisor)
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#50 Eastman School of Music (Mara Culp, Advisor)
#150 Houghton College (Floyd Richmond, Advisor)
#1043 Monroe Community College
#328 Nazareth College (Keith Koster, Advisor)
#218 Roberts Wesleyan University (Grace Cummings, Advisor)
#980 Rochester Institute of Technology
#858 SUNY Brockport

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Amanda Zall
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Province 3 Chapters:

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#566 Onondaga Community College
#3 SUNY Potsdam
#215 Syracuse University (David Knapp, Advisor)

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Meghann Gallucci
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#1242 Broome Community College
#297 College of Saint Rose (Jennifer Campbell, Advisor)
#261 Hartwick College (Meghan K. Sheehy, Advisor)
#502 Manhattanville College (Jerry Kerlin, Advisor)
#313 Nyack College (Joan Mallory, Advisor)
#12 Schenectady County Community College
#1138 SUNY Binghamton
#1273 SUNY New Paltz

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Province 6 Chapters:

#856 Baruch College
#624 Brooklyn College (Claudia Cali, Advisor)
#326 City College of New York
#1263 City College of Technology
#1083 CUNY Lehman College (Diana Mittler-Battipaglia, Advisor)
#504 CUNY Queens College (Eric Rubenstein, Advisor)
#1276 CUNY York College (Mark Adams, Advisor)
#975 Hunter College (Victor Bobetsky, Advisor)

#1174 Mannes College of Music
#22 New York University (Elise Sobol, Advisor)
#111 Teachers College, Columbia University (Kelly Parkes, Advisor)
#713 Wagner College

Province Rep Area 7: Kimberly Rosenbaum
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Province 7 Chapters:
#783 Adelphi University (Heather Waters, Advisor)
#846 Concordia College
#1021 Five Towns College (Margaret Thiele, Advisor)
#589 Hofstra University (Cindy Bell, Advisor)
#663 Long Island University/CW Post (Jennifer Miceli, Advisor)
#1133 Molloy College (Michelle Rampal, Advisor)
#730 Nassau Community College (Garry Ouellette, Advisor)

By all means, let me know as well. I would be delighted to visit your campus and visit with your collegiate members or arrange for state collegiate officers to be present. I can be reached by dialing (585) 730-4165 or electronically at: kkoster8@naz.edu. If you notice any inaccuracies in what I have listed above, please contact me so that we can update our records.

I wish you a very successful school year and hope to see you and your students at the Rochester Convention Center for the Winter Conference in December or in Albany, NY!!

With best wishes,
Keith Koster, Ph.D.
NAfME Collegiate New York State Advisor

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Please share the welcome
letters from the
2019-2020 State Collegiate
NYSSMA President

and

State Collegiate NYSSMA
President-Elect

that appear on the
next two pages.

Thank you!

Greetings Faculty Advisors, and Fellow C-NYSSMA/NAfME Members!

Hello, I hope all your summers were full of relaxation, worthwhile activities, and reflection! This fall, I'll be a senior at CUNY-Queens College as a Clarinet primary in Music Education. When I am not living in the library or a practice room, I work for my alma mater and the Huntington Blue Devil Marching Band as Percussion Director and Battery Instructor. This year is my 5th year with the ensemble and I love every second I have with the students! The relationships I have built with students and former teachers are so important as I complete my degree program and aspire to a career as a music educator teaching music. What I believe is an underlying principal of our work as future music educators is the relationships that we establish not only with our students, school professionals and families, but also between Collegiate NYSSMA chapter members across the New York state. Relationship-building is something that I hope to focus on this year with chapters across New York!

Whether between peers or between chapters, one of the most important things we can invest in is the people we surround ourselves with. This year, your state collegiate executive board and I will focus on building relationships throughout the state. I'll ask the same question I asked our executive board members; how can we facilitate greater and more meaningful relationships with the members of our individual chapters, and adjacent campuses? How we can build a better NAfME Collegiate community in New York?

One of the most effective ways to establish relationships with one another is by making a professional commitment to Collegiate NYSSMA-NAfME. By making that year-long commitment, you'll benefit, not only personally, but professionally when you attend conferences, in-services, workshops, meetings, or other kinds of gatherings sponsored by our state and national organizations. Want to be a part of something bigger than your campus collegiate chapter? Make plans to attend the 2020 NAfME Collegiate Summit and Hill Day. This past summer approximately 28 New York collegiate members of NYSSMA-NAfME did just that and joined nearly 200 collegiate members from around the country in Washington DC to learn more about strengthening their local chapter, developing leadership and advocacy skills and taking those skills to Capitol Hill to meet with officials from the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Don't forget to review the Fall Collegiate NYSSMA-NAfME newsletter that was sent to your Collegiate Chapter Advisor. If you didn't receive this newsletter, let me know and I'll send it to you. Pass it along to your chapter members.

As we move into the 2019-2020 school year, I am full of excitement for what we can do as a board to be there for you; the collegiate members. If you have any suggestions or ideas for schools in your province, or for the state in general, please reach out to me at: derek.schmelter25@gmail.cuny.edu. I will ALWAYS answer within 24 hours! Openness and communication start from the top, and I promise to be there for you! In closing, I am honored to serve as your State Collegiate President for the 2019-2020 academic year. I wish you a successful, meaningful year!

*All the best,
Derek Schmelter
C-NYSSMA/NAfME President-Elect
Queens College '20
derek.schmelter25@gmail.cuny.edu
Dear Advisors and C-NAfME Members,*

My name is Daria Barteldt and I am the Collegiate President-Elect for Collegiate NYSSMA-NAfME. I'm thrilled to be able to work with other chapter members, and faculty advisors within New York State.

Teaching music, and well, teaching in general, is a two-way street. I am looking forward to being able to help and inform our collegiate members, and for our collegiate members to help and inform me. We are all future music educators, and we should always find ways to benefit from interacting with each other. I know that every collegiate member has worked incredibly hard to get to where you are now, and I am looking forward to interacting with everyone as they grow into their future educator self.

I am always open for a discussion; whether it's a question or concern, or even if you have a suggestion. Please feel free to reach out! It is our job to make sure your voice is heard. Remember, I represent YOU!!

Sincerely,
Daria Barteldt
C-NYSSMA/NAfME President-Elect
NAfME 504 Secretary
Queens College 21'
dbarteldt99@gmail.com

**Information
about
Collegiate
Membership**

Please share & post

Renew Your **C-NAfME/NYSSMA** Membership Online: Here's how!

Provided by:

Morgan Beaton, Collegiate NAfME/NYSSMA State Secretary & Treasurer

Any Questions? E-mail Morgan at:

mbeaton8@mail.naz.edu

- 1. Go to www.nafme.org
- 2. Click on the Renew tab link (located on the top right hand side).
- 3. Enter your e-mail address *NOTE enter the e-mail address that you gave to NAfME (The one you receive e-mails from them at).
- 4. Enter your Password.
- 5. A screen will open with options to check out your information.
- 6. Make sure to update or double check all information, especially your addresses so that documents and newsletters arrive at the proper place.
- 7. Once you have updated your information, click "Next".
- 8. Then, select "Collegiate" membership and choose your Collegiate State.
- 9. Input your college into the college selection box on the next page.
- 10. If you wish, you can choose between two subscriptions to music journals offered at a special price for NAfME members. You may also choose to make a donation.
- 11. Once you click "Checkout", your total cost will be displayed. If you just chose a basic renewal of membership and no additional items, your total should be \$41.00.
- 12. Enter your credit card or payment information below that.
- 13. Click the blue "Submit and process credit card payment" at the bottom right of the page.
- 14. Confirm and finish - You should receive an email acknowledging your renewal. Congrats! You are good to go.

*Note: NAfME and NYSSMA are a joint membership. If you belong to one, you belong to both. You can also renew on www.nyssma.org with a very similar procedure

Information about the 2019 State NYSSMA In-Service Conference

Welcome! The 2019 State Winter Conference will take place December 6, 2019 at the Rochester Convention Center (www.nyssma.org). Last year, over 375 collegiate members attended the state conference. We're hoping that even more collegiate members will attend the conference this year!

For more information about the location, parking, and adjacent hotels:

www.rrcc.com

The full range of collegiate offerings appears below and will again include collegiate sessions, meeting for your chapter officers and Executive Board, and a pizza night event that includes a collegiate-wide business meeting. There is so much to be gained by attending our state in-service conference, so please mark your calendars! Online registration can be completed at the following e-mail address: www.nyssma.org. Cost to attend this year is **\$40.00** and as usual, scholarships are available as well as reimbursement for student drivers who bring 4 or more members to the conference. That information is included in this packet.

ON SITE REGISTRATION---ADVISORS PLEASE NOTE: If your students have not pre-registered, they must show their NAFME ID when they register on-site.

For the most current information about conference proceedings, please check the following website: www.nyssma.org

NOTE: If you are staying at an area hotel and would need shuttle service, NYSSMA provides this service to and from a variety of hotels (Doubletree, Holiday Inn, Hyatt). For specific information about shuttle transportation please e-mail NYSSMA Past-President, Ms. Jeanne Gray (jgray5@rochester.rr.com).

Here are just a few of the many great sessions that are scheduled this year! Please share with your members.

2019 NYSSMA Winter Conference COLLEGIATE SESSIONS

Friday, December 6, 8:15 a.m.

Session: "What Collegiate Students Need to Know about the NYS Standards"

Location: CC Riverside Court

Presenter: Fred Weingarten

Friday, December 6, 10:45 a.m.

Session: “Managing Public Relations (PR) for Future Music Teachers: Here’s what you need to know

Location: CC Riverside Court

Presenter: Dr. John Gallagher

Friday, December 6, 1:15 p.m.

Session: “Meet Your State E-board”

Location: CC Riverside Court

Overview: Come learn more about state leadership and how to strengthen your own local chapters. Share and resolve issues associated with Collegiate Chapter engagement.

Friday, December 6, 6:00 p.m.

Session: “Collegiate Business Meeting and Dinner”

Location: CC Riverside Court

Presiders: State Collegiate Executive Board Members

Saturday, December 7, 9:30 a.m.

Session: “Student Teaching Panel (Large Roundtable)”

Location: CC Riverside Court

Panel Chair: Amanda Petrella-Christ

Additional information about the 2019 NYSSMA Winter Conference:

1. The NYSSMA Winter Conference is December 5 - 8 in Rochester, NY at the Rochester Convention Center. **Collegiate Day** is slated for Friday, December 6, 2019. All sessions are 1 hour in duration.
2. Make sure that your students attend the Business Meeting with free dinner on Friday, December 6 at 6 p.m. in the CC Riverside Court. There, they will be informed about collegiate activities throughout the state as well as upcoming opportunities to attend events in Albany, NY and Washington DC.
3. Students can register and pay online to attend the Conference. Go to www.nyssma.org, locate and click the Winter Conference link. NOTE: Both online and onsite registration is \$40.00.
4. As in the past, current Collegiate NYSSMA members will be eligible for scholarships provided by NYSSMA. Up to **eight \$50 scholarships** will be awarded to students from each chapter. **The number of scholarships available will be based on chapter membership as of November 5, 2019.** Scholarship students will need work a minimum of 2 hours at the conference and mandatory attendance at the Friday evening dinner/business meeting at 6 p.m. in the CC Riverside Court. **Scholarship winners will be notified on November 15, 2019.**
5. As another incentive to encourage collegiate attendance at the 2019 Winter Conference, we will once again be reimbursing student drivers outside the Rochester area who carpool with four or more students in their vehicle (one of those four includes the driver). The reimbursement will be \$50.00 per vehicle. NOTE: Make sure that student drivers who are

eligible for this payment see Dr. Koster at the conference to confirm their travel arrangements and complete paperwork in order to be reimbursed.

Important C-NYSSMA/NAfME Dates 2019-2020

Mark your Calendars!

Join or Renew your Membership

Complete your chapter Membership Drive by getting students to join or renew their memberships at www.nyssma.org OR www.nafme.org [See instructions on previous pages.]
NOTE: While students can join at any time throughout the year, we do encourage students to make an early commitment to professional membership.

November 5, 2019: Scholarship deadline

Deadline for submitting names of Winter Conference Scholarship candidates

November 6 - 10, 2019

NAfME National Conference; Kissimmee, FL; Visit: www.nafme.org

November 15, 2019: Scholarship Announcement

Winter Conference Scholarship Winners will be announced electronically.

December 5 - 8, 2019: NYSSMA Winter Conference

Annual NYSSMA Winter Conference at the Rochester Convention Center. Go to www.nyssma.org for details.

February 14 – 15, 2020: New York State Collegiate NYSSMA Conference

More more information, contact Dr. Jennifer Campbell: CAMPBELLJ@mail.strose.edu

March 1 - 31, 2020: Music In Our Schools Month (MIOSM)

PRACTICE-A-THON EVENT www.hcpracticeathon.com; Contact your Province Rep for more information.

March 2, 2020: Joseph Sugar Day in Albany, NY (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

NYSSMA members as well as collegiate students meet with State Legislators to promote music education, arts education. It's also a celebration of New York Music Education in the Capitol Building. For more information, Email Mr. Alan Orloff (NYSSMA Government Relations Chair): grc@nyssma.org

March 25, 2020: Deadline to run for State Office

Deadline to run for State Executive Board; Application and letter of recommendation are due by midnight. Send to Dr. Koster (kkoster8@naz.edu)

April 1 - 8, 2020: State Office Elections (E-ballot)

Annual E-Elections for State Executive Board; *Terms run from May to May*; NOTE: Each collegiate chapter advisor will be sent a secure link to the ballot. Send the link to your student members so that they can vote. VOTING ENDS ON APRIL 8, 2020 at midnight. Results will be announced on April 15, 2020.

June 17 - 19, 2020: NAFME Collegiate Summit, Washington DC

For more information, E-mail Mr. Alan Orloff (NYSSMA Government Relations Chair) grc@nyssma.org OR check out the following link: <https://nafme.org/advocacy/nafme-collegiate-advocacy-summit/>

August 9 - 12, 2020: NYSSMA Summer Conference, Albany, NY

WHERE: Hilton Albany Hotel, 40 Lodge Street, Albany, NY 12207;

For more information: www.nyssma.org

April 4 – 7 2021: Eastern NAFME Conference, Hartford, CT

Cost and registration information will be shared once it is available. Check: nafme-eastern.org

IMPROVING COMMUNICATION

BETWEEN CHAPTERS??

HERE'S HOW!

Collegiate Links

Follow us!

State Collegiate NYSSMA/NAfME Links

Facebook group: NYSSMA Collegiate (NAfME Collegiate NY)

Facebook page: Nyssma Collegiate - Nafme Collegiate NY

Instagram: Click here [@nafmecollegiateny](#)

Twitter: [@nafmecollegeny](#)

Gmail: nafmecollegiateny@gmail.com

Website: www.nyssma.org/nafme-collegiate-nyssma/

Buffalo State University Chapter Links

Email: buffalostatnafme@gmail.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Buffalo-State-NAfME-Collegiate-360107307404819/

Department page: <http://music.buffalostate.edu>

Advisor: *Victoria Furby*

College of St. Rose Chapter Links

Email: strosenafme@gmail.com

Facebook: NAFME at the College of Saint Rose

Instagram: [st.rose_NAFME](https://www.instagram.com/st.rose_NAFME)

Website: www.strose.edu

Advisor: *Jennifer Campbell*

Eastman School of Music Chapter Links

Email: eastman.nafme@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EastmanNAFME/>

Instagram: [eastmannafme](https://www.instagram.com/eastmannafme)

Website: <https://www.esm.orchester.edu/mth/cmenc/>

Advisor: *Mara Culp*

Hofstra University Chapter Links

Email: hofstra.nafme@gmail.com

Facebook: NAFME-Hofstra Chapter

Twitter: Hofstra NAFME

Department Page: <https://www.hofstra.edu/academics/colleges/hclas/music/>

Advisor: *Cindy Bell*

Manhattanville College Chapter Links

Email: McNAfMEMville@gmail.com

Facebook: McNAfME, https://www.facebook.com/mvillenafme/?ref=br_rs

Instagram: [McNAfME](https://www.instagram.com/McNAfME)

Website: www.mville.edu

Advisor: *Jerry Kerling*

Nazareth College Chapter Links

Email: nafme@mail.naz.edu

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Nazareth-College-NAfME

Twitter: twitter.com/NazNafme

Instagram: www.instagram.com/naznafme

Department page: www.naz.edu/music

Advisor: *Keith Koster*

Queens College-CUNY Chapter Links

Email: menc504@gmail.com

Facebook: [Facebook.com/nafmeqc](https://www.facebook.com/nafmeqc)

Twitter: [@nafmeqc](https://twitter.com/nafmeqc)

Instagram: @nafmeqc

Department page: <http://qcpages.qc.cuny.edu/music/>

Advisor: *Eric Rubenstein*

SUNY-Fredonia Chapter Links

Email: grab3024@freodnia.edu

Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/145618501559

Instagram: www.instagram.com/FredoniaNAfME

Department page: home.fredonia.edu/music/

Advisor: *Christian Bernhard*

Syracuse University Chapter Links

Email: dhknapp@syr.edu

Facebook: NAFME Cuse Chapter 215:

www.facebook.com/Nafme-Cuse-Chapter-215

Advisor: *Craig Knapp*

*Don't see your school?
Send your information to
Dr. Koster (kkoster8@naz.edu).*

NAfME Collegiate NYSSMA

***Driver Reimbursement Form
2019-2020***

[Please print all information clearly.]

Driver's Name:

Driver's Phone Number & Email address:

College/University:

Advisor's Name:

Driver's Mailing Address (Where do you want the check to be sent?)

NAME:

Street Address:

Apt #:

City, State, Zip:

Name of Passengers (other than the driver; NOTE: to qualify, there must be 4 people in the vehicle, including the driver)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Nomination Form for 2020-2021
Collegiate NYSSMA State Executive Board

Once completed, either mail OR scan and send to:

**Keith Koster
Music Department
Nazareth College
4245 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14618**

OR

kkoster8@naz.edu

1. Office for which you are running (Circle **ONLY** one)

President Elect*

Secretary-Treasurer

Web Editor

Province Representative

2. Your Name: _____

3. Year in College: _____

4. School you attend: _____

School Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Form continues on next page.

Home Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

5. Please **attach the following:**

A. Statement of your experience, background, and qualifications (300-word maximum) for the position for which you are running. **NOTE** that this statement may be printed in *School Music News*.

B. A brief letter of recommendation from your chapter's faculty advisor.

NOTE:

All members of the Executive Board are expected to attend the Executive Council Meeting and the dinner/ business meeting at the NYSSMA Winter Conference. In the event of an emergency or conflict, it is the officer's obligation to appoint a replacement for those meetings and provide the alternate with the relevant report.

Candidates must mail this form with attachments to Dr. Keith Koster; Nazareth College; Music Department; 4245 East Avenue; Rochester, NY; 14618, postmarked no later than **March 25, 2020**.

*Please note that the President-elect shall serve in that office for the term of one year and shall succeed automatically to the office of President for the term of one year. Hence, the candidate must be currently a Freshman or Sophomore or Junior.

Ideas for your Chapter Meetings and Events for the Year

- Once you join or renew your Collegiate Membership, add the following to your e-mail signature: *Member, Collegiate NYSSMA/NAfME*
- Once you join or renew your Collegiate Membership, post a picture on social media indicating that you're a member of Collegiate NYSSMA/NAfME.
- Promote a Collegiate NAfME-NYSSMA drive at your school. Be prepared to speak about the value of membership in our largest music organization for music educators! Use the promotional materials that were sent to your Chapter Collegiate Advisor.
- Reach out to area high schools to establish partnerships with an area Tri-M Chapter. If area schools don't have a Tri-M Chapter, assist the Music Teachers their in establishing one.
- Invite Tri-M students to your meetings, attend theirs and consider joint-sponsored events (guest speakers, service activities, Music In Our Schools Month (MIOSM) events, etc.
- Create social media accounts for your Chapter; Follow other collegiate chapters; Create a collegiate chapter website which can serve as the primary source for all things Collegiate NYSSMA/NAfME
- Need a meeting agenda item? Lead your chapter members in a walk-through of the NAfME website, noting special events and opportunities for collegiate members.
- Consider a meeting where members watch an NAfME Academy Webinar OR other online podcast brought to you by NAfME.
- Collaborate with other Collegiate Chapters in your Province. Reach out to your Province Representative to assist.
- Make plans to establish the Harry Chapin Practice-A-Thon event on your campus. This would be a wonderful activity for Music In Our Schools Month (MIOSM).
- Invite a state collegiate officer OR Dr. Koster to attend your next collegiate chapter meeting. State officers and Dr. Koster can assist you with just about any aspect of your chapter.
- Promote events mentioned in the Fall and Spring Newsletters that your Chapter Advisor receives. (NOTE: Make sure that your Chapter Advisor circulates each newsletter with you.)

- Host a Mini-Afternoon Province Conference: Invite state officers, area NYSSMA members, and students from your Province. NOTE: Coordinating this kind of event is always good practice should your chapter want to host a state collegiate conference in the future!!
- Need a road trip? Consider a trip to Washington DC with a visit to NAfME headquarters in Reston, VA.
- Host a student teaching panel with student teachers from your school.
- Invite area teachers to speak at an upcoming meeting.
- Invite area music vendors to speak at an upcoming meeting.
- Invite area music supervisors to a meeting and present a session about the job interviewing, hiring processes.
- Host a Music Education Alumni Recital and Reception event. It's a great way to connect with former graduates and current teachers from your school.
- Don't see the conference sessions that you would like to see at a conference? Reach out to presenters, teachers, etc., and encourage them to submit conference session proposals for future conferences. The process is easy! Information about conference session proposals can be found at www.nyssma.org OR e-mail Dr. Koster (kkoster8@naz.edu)