



2011 NEAIR Governing Board Slate of Leaders

Please be sure to review your selections carefully. Once submitted, changes cannot be made.

President-Elect (select 1 candidate):



Name: Cathy Alvord

Title: Research and Planning Associate

Institution or Organization: Cornell University

Education: B.S., Cornell University, Industrial and Labor Relations
A.S., Tompkins-Cortland Community College, Business Administration

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

NEAIR member since 1990

Associate Program Chair	2009-10
Grants Committee Member	2008-11
Photographer	2008-10
Publications Chair	2005-06
Steering Committee at Large	2003-05
Professional Development Services	2002-05
Conference Co-Presenter (Paper)	2002-03

AIR

AIR member since 1998

Membership Committee	2006-08
Newcomer's Committee	2002-03
Invited Panel Contributor (NSF)	2000-01
Table Topics Committee	1998-99

Short Goal Statement: Institutional research as a profession is more than a statistical endeavor. It also has a stake in improving how we access and coordinate information in ways that help our members, both internal and external to the association. NEAIR members value civility and collegiality, and embrace cultural, geographical and intellectual diversity. This association serves by working together and fostering positive and mutually supportive relationships across our membership in order to build on those principles. If elected, I will 1) continue to build on those values, 2) work towards maintaining NEAIR's high quality conference experience, and 3) encourage active participation from our colleagues to help NEAIR be its own agent of change.



Name: Alan Sturtz

Title: Director, Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: Goodwin College

Education: Ed.D. in Higher Education The Pennsylvania State University
M.A. in History The Pennsylvania State University
B.A. in History SUNY at Buffalo

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

1988-90 Steering Committee
1988-89 Associate Publications Chair
1989-90 Publications Chair
1990-1998 Convener, Two-Year College Special Interest Group
1994 Mentor Program
1998-99 Newcomers/Mentor Committee
2004-07 Steering Committee
2005-06 Newcomers/Mentor Committee Chair
2007 Audit Committee, Chair
2008- Mentor
2010- Finance Committee

AIR

1989 Forum Track Committee (Human, Financial and Physical Resources)
1990 Forum Local Arrangements Committee
1992 Forum Track Committee (Policy Analysis, Planning and Governance)
1992 Mentor Program
1991-94 Membership Committee
1992-94 Evaluation Committee
1994 Forum Track Committee (Policy Analysis, Planning and Governance)
1995 Forum Track Committee Chair (Policy Analysis, Planning and Governance)
1996-99 Higher Education Data Policy Committee
1998 Forum Table Topics Committee Associate Chair
1999 Forum Table Topics Committee Chair
2001 Forum Newcomers Committee
2002 Forum Newcomers Committee Associate Chair
2003 Forum Newcomers Committee Chair
2004 Forum Newcomers Committee
2004-06 Membership Committee
2005 Forum Newcomers Committee Chair
2006 Forum Newcomers Committee Chair
2006-2009 AIR Board of Directors/Membership Committee Chair
Various Forums Session Facilitator
Mentor

Connecticut Association for Institutional Research (1990-Present)

1990 Charter Member
1992-93 President
2008 Outstanding Service Award

National Council For Community College Research and Planning (1987-2007)

1993-95 Director, Region I (New England States)
1998-99 Vice President
1999-2000 President

Short Goal Statement:

As a NEAIR member for almost 30 years I have come to value the expertise found in the diversity of our members. As President of NEAIR I would bring my extensive experience in higher education to the service of the professional organization that has meant so much to me over the years. I have benefited greatly from serving on many NEAIR committees, serving as a mentor, and presenting many papers at the annual conferences. I have had the privilege to serve in an institutional research capacity at a community college, a four year private institution and a statewide system office. This experience has given me an extensive background which is necessary for a broad, well rounded perspective of the issues facing institutional researchers in the challenging world we live in today. I will work to continue the excellent benefits of NEAIR membership and explore new ways to serve our members, streamline processes to involve more members in developing program initiatives, and encourage by example 'giving back' to the membership.

Recording Secretary (select 1 candidate):



Name: Annemarie (McMullin) Bartlett

Title: Associate Director for Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA

Education: MS Business Intelligence, Anticipated May 2013
Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA
MS Training & Organization Development
Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, PA
BA Psychology, Shippensburg University
Shippensburg, PA

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

NEAIR Conference website coordinator: 2006 through 2009

NEAIR Nominating committee 2008-09

NEAIR member since 2003

AIR

AIR member since 2003

Short Goal Statement:

It is an honor to be considered for the position of Recording Secretary for NEAIR. Membership in NEAIR has brought innumerable benefits to my work in IR as well as to me personally. Serving the membership in this capacity would be a privilege. My goals for this position are to provide service of the highest quality to accurately record the activities of NEAIR, to facilitate adherence to the NEAIR Constitution and Policies and Procedures, and to be a contributing member of the governance team.



Name: Allison Walters

Title: Assistant Director, Office of Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: University of Delaware

Education: Ed. D. Educational Leadership, University of Delaware
M.A. Higher Education, University of Maryland–College Park
B.S. Family & Community Services, University of Delaware

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

2007-10 NEAIR Steering Committee Member, Membership Committee
2009, 2010 NEAIR Membership Committee Chair
2006 NEAIR Local Arrangements Chair
2004 NEAIR Mentor Committee Member
2003-08, 2010 NEAIR Annual Conference Concurrent Session Presenter
2008 NEAIR Pre-Conference Workshop Presenter

AIR

2004-08, 2010-11 AIR Evaluation Committee Member
2008 AIR Mentor
2004-08, 2010-11 AIR Annual Forum Concurrent Session Presenter
2008 AIR Pre-Conference Workshop Presenter

Short Goal Statement:

The NEAIR Secretary provides an important service to the Steering Committee by recording meeting activities and decisions while referencing historical details that impact current and future initiatives. To carry this out, I would work diligently to record, advise and support the Committee's continued work within the bounds of our Constitution and Policies & Procedures. I welcome this opportunity to support the efforts of the Steering Committee as it directs the activities of NEAIR and creates exciting opportunities for professional development and engagement with colleagues in the field.

Steering Committee Member-At-Large – 4-year Private Institution Representative (select 1 candidate):



Name: David L. Davis-Van Atta

Title: Director of Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: Vassar College

Education: BA, Carleton College, 1972 (Astronomy/Physics)

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

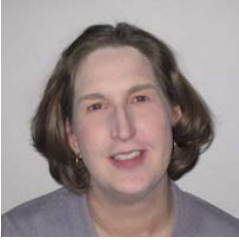
AIR

AIR Strategic Planning Committee (1997-98)

AIR Higher Education Data Policy Committee (1997-98, and 98-99)

Short Goal Statement:

I have attended NEAIR conferences since 1982, long before moving to the east coast, even though I worked for midwest institutions, because NEAIR unquestionable offered the best set of people and sessions one could find. Now, still a relatively recent transplant to the northeast, I would be pleased to help NEAIR continue its strong programs and member services. I see this as finally having the opportunity to contribute to an organization, and people, who have provided me, and so many others, with a great deal of top-notch professional expertise and development.



Name: Laura Uerling

Title: Director, Planning and Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: Stonehill College

Education: MA, University of Virginia
AB, University of Chicago.

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

NEAIR Membership Committee, 2008-2010

NEAIR Proposal Peer Reviewer, 2011

NEAIR Conference Evaluation Coordinator, 2011

AIR

AIR Forum Track Committee member, 2008-2010

CHERC (Catholic Higher Education Research Consortium)

CHERC Board Member, 2009-2011

Short Goal Statement:

My primary goal as a Steering Committee member would be to ensure NEAIR's position as the premier regional AIR Affiliate in the United States by enhancing services to its members. I feel that there are two areas that need particular emphasis if that goal is to be achieved. The first is to build on the current financial strength of the organization to support growth and flexibility in the services NEAIR provides to its members. In addition, the rapidly changing Higher Education environment has had a significant impact on the needs and interests of those in the IR profession and NEAIR must be well placed to adapt to the changes.

Steering Committee Member-At-Large (select 1 candidate):



Name: Brian Hayden

Title: Executive Assistant to the President and Director of Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: Community College of Beaver County

Education: B.A., Political Science, University of Dayton
M.P.A., University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
M.P.I.A., University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs
Ph.D. (in progress), Robert Morris University, expected May 2013

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

I am a member of the PA Commission for Community Colleges Data Committee.

Short Goal Statement:

I began my career in higher education and institutional research in July 2009 and am very fortunate to have a president who supports and encourages professional development. The first conference I attended was sponsored by AIR, followed a few months later by NEAIR. Because of these two opportunities, I was able to better and more quickly understand my new role as well as to begin to establish my own network of peers and professionals who have given me advice and guidance.

I believe that NEAIR is such a valuable asset to all of those involved in institutional research that I wish to become more involved and help to insure NEAIR remains a vibrant, viable, and valuable professional organization.



Name: Maren Hess

Title: Director of Institutional Research and Assessment

Institution or Organization: Saint Vincent College

Education: MBA, Technology Management, Rochester Institute of Technology
BS, Biological Sciences, Rochester Institute of Technology

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

Member of NEAIR, AIR, or state-affiliated IR groups since 2002, including volunteer activities on executive committees, proposal reviewer, and presenter at numerous conferences:

Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania (AICUP):
2009 – present

AIR: 2005 – present
Proposal review volunteer for AIR 2009: Track 2 – Assessing Student Learning and Program Outcomes

NEAIR: 2004 – present
Elected as member of Nominating Committee: 2009 – 2010
Presenter: 2005, 2006, 2009
Proposal review volunteer: 2008

Finger Lakes Association of Institutional Researchers (FLAIR): 2003 – 2009
Presenter: 2008

Association of Institutional Researchers and Planning Officers (AIRPO):
2002 – 2009
Presenter: 2007
Executive Committee Community Colleges, Small-Medium: 2006 – 2008 term

Short Goal Statement:

I have had nine years of progressive responsibilities with Institutional Research and Assessment, accreditation activities, two ERP implementations, strategic planning, goal creation, and six years of experience as an adjunct faculty member. I am seeking this position in NEAIR to assist the private, four-year institutions build upon their offices' strengths to help our colleagues and to facilitate communication so we can learn from our public- and two-year institution counterparts.

Nominations Committee – Community College Representative (select 1 candidate):



Name: Gurvinder Khaneja

Title: Executive Director, Institutional Research and Planning

Institution or Organization: Passaic County Community College

Education: Ed.D Teachers College, Columbia University

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

I have been a member of NEAIR and AIR for over fifteen years and am actively engaged in supporting these associations. During the last two years I have offered my services to NEAIR as the Exhibitor Coordinator. Additionally, I have presented papers at both AIR and NEAIR at various times.

Short Goal Statement:

I consider it an honor to be nominated for NEAIR's Nominating Committee. I have been in the community college sector for many years now and have represented on various committees at the state level. Higher Education is going through challenging times right now. Community Colleges have received attention from Washington like never before. However, this brings its own set of demands that need attention from our leadership. With tight budgets, higher expectations, and evidence based accountability it is imperative that we bring leaders who can assist with these issues. We need to bring the best candidates to be selected to run for NEAIR leadership positions. Because of my longtime membership in and service to NEAIR and higher education, especially in community Colleges, I am positioned to help with the selection of candidates who will serve NEAIR with thought and distinction.



Name: Jason A. Popp

Title: Research Assistant/Technical Specialist

Institution: Community College of Philadelphia

Education: B.A. International Studies, Lock Haven University
M.Ed. Higher Education, Penn State University

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

I am an active IR professional with over 7 years of higher education experience, including two years at a community college. Since 2010, I have enjoyed participating in NEAIR events including the recent Drive-In workshop hosted at Philadelphia University. My research interests include student success, service learning, distance education, social justice, survey research, and technology.

Short Goal Statement:

I would like to serve as a resource for other NEAIR members while sharing in their knowledge and experience. Together, we can support each other and reach new levels of professional growth and development.

Nominations Committee – Member-At-Large (select up to 5 candidates):



Name: Craig W. Abbey

Title: Director of Institutional Analysis

Institution or Organization: University at Buffalo

Education: University of Rochester, M.S. Public Policy Analysis,
B.A. History and Political Science

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

AIR

Proposal reviewer for AIR Forum (2010 & 2012)

AIR Forum Theme and Plenary Speaker Committee (2012)

Presentation and Workshops and at NEAIR and AIR

AIR Webinars (2011)

Short Goal Statement:

Serving on the Nominating Committee is a great chance to give back to NEAIR. By attending AIRPO, NEAIR and AIR conferences, I have met many colleagues who could be candidates for leadership positions. In serving, I hope to ensure that NEAIR continues to serve its members well.



Name: Michelle Appel

Title: Director, Enrollment Policy & Planning, Office of Institutional Research, Planning & Assessment

Institution or Organization: University of Maryland

Education: M.A., Human Services Psychology, University of Maryland Baltimore County, 1995
B.A., Psychology, Bloomsburg University, 1990

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

Maryland

Maryland Community College Resource Group President; MdAIR Executive Committee Member and President; MdAIR Distinguished Service Award.

NEAIR

Program Chair; Steering Committee; Vendor Chair; President; Conference and Preconference Presenter; Distinguished Service Award.

AIR: Nominating Committee; Track Chair; Newcomers Committee; Audit Committee; Professional Development Services Committee; Forum Strategy Committee

Short Goal Statement:

NEAIR provides an entrée into the IR community – it is a welcoming place to network, a forum research, and place to develop leadership skills. It has been all of these for me, and as a member of the nominating committee I would work to connect others with these opportunities. I would bring my knowledge of the various leadership positions to the committee and the attributes each needs.



Name: Lou Attinasi

Title: College Associate Dean for Institutional Effectiveness

Institution or Organization: Suffolk County Community College

Education: Ph.D., Higher and Adult Education, Arizona State University

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

Conference Proposal Reviewer

AIR

Publications Board

Forum Publications Committee

Forum Evaluation Committee

Forum Presenter

Forum Proposal Reviewer

Forum Facilitator

Association for Institutional Research and Planning Officers (SUNY)

Conference Program Chair

Arizona AIR

Conference Program Co-Chair, Conference Presenter

Short Goal Statement: If elected to the Nominating Committee, my goal will be the nomination of outstanding candidates for NEAIR officer and committee member positions, so that the organization will be able to continue to provide excellent support and representation of the region's institutional researchers.



Name: Brian Ault

Title: Director of Institutional Research & Assessment

Institution or Organization: McDaniel College, Westminster MD

Education: 1997-Ph.D., Sociology, University of Minnesota
1985-M.S., Sociology, University of Utah
1979-B.A., Sociology, UMBC

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

Sector rep for MdAIR two times (2003, 2006)

Short Goal Statement:

To do the best job possible to promote the profession of IR, by working to make NEAIR as strong an association as it can possibly be.



Name: Becky Brodigan

Title: Vice President for Institutional Planning and Assessment

Institution or Organization: Bowdoin College

Education: Master's in Public Policy, GWU
BA University of Maine

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

President

Local Arrangements Chair

Program Chair

Treasurer

Ad hoc Finance Committee

Short Goal Statement:

Those of us in NEAIR need to provide leadership opportunities so that more young professionals thrive in IR and have the skills to move into higher level positions in higher education.



Name: Elizabeth Clune-Kneuer

Title: Assistant Director of Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: St. Mary's College of Maryland

Education: B.A. with a dual major in Economics & East Asian Studies from the University of Delaware in Spring 2003
M.Ed. in Social Foundations from the University of Virginia in Summer 2004
Graduate Certificate in Institutional Research with an expected graduation in Fall 2011

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

Maryland Association for Institutional Research (MdAIR)

President-elect 2010-current

At-large representative 2009-2010

Interim representative for Maryland public comprehensive four-year colleges and universities Summer & Fall 2009

Attendance at the Fall Conference (2009 & 2010), Winter Drive-In (2009 & 2010), Spring Institute (2009, 2010, & 2011), and Summer Drive-In (2009, 2010, & 2011)

North East Association of Institutional Research (NEAIR)

Program proposal reviewer Summer 2009 & 2011

Local Arrangement Committee member for the 2012 conference in Bethesda

Attendance at the Fall Conference (2008, 2009, & 2010) & Summer Drive-In (2010)

Association of Institutional Research (AIR)

National Summer Data Policy Institute sponsored by AIR/ NSF/ NCES Fellow Summer 2011

AIR / NCES Fellowship for Institutional Research program recipient Fall 2009- Spring 2011

Graduate of AIR Foundations I & II Summer 2009

Participation in AIR Spring 2010 & 2011 Webinar series on statistics

Short Goal Statement:

Working with NEAIR has been invaluable in helping me to find resources and support within the IR community while being at a small, rural and relatively geographically isolated institution. I hope that, if elected to the nominating committee, I can assist this organization to continue to make a difference for others the way that I feel that I have been impacted. I believe that I would be able to help encourage others to participate in NEAIR leadership positions through the experiences that I have gained within the MdAIR board of directors as well as past positions in residence life. I have greatly enjoyed participating in past NEAIR events and hope to continue to assist this community in any way that I can.



Name: Cherry Danielson

Title: Associate Director for Institutional Research and Assessment

Institution or Organization: Carleton College

Education: Ph.D., M.A. University of Michigan
M.A. Minnesota State University at Mankato
B.A. Southwest State University

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

Vendor Relations Liaison - 2000 - 2002
Panel participant - 2001
Recipient of NEAIR Conference grant - 2001
Nominating committee - 2001 & 2004
Workshop presenter – 2004, 2008 & 2009
PDS committee – 2007
Pre-conference workshop coordinator – 2007
Program Chair – 2008 NEAIR Fall Conference
Proposal Reader for Fall Conference – 2009, 2010, & 2011

AIR

e-AIR Book Reviews (3) 2009-2010
Evaluation Focus group – 1999 & 2010
Reader -1999 (Track 2) & 2005 (Track 4)
External Affairs Committee 2004 - 2010
Track 3 Chair - 2009
Frequent AIR Forum volunteer

Short Goal Statement:

The leadership of NEAIR guides the association through professional development opportunities, maintains the viability of the association, and shares in nurturing the culture of the association and its membership. My goal, as a member of the nominating committee, would be to develop a strong ballot for the membership to cast its votes for the incoming leadership roles. I am committed to seek a ballot that includes a range of individuals that brings multiple voices into the leadership conversation.



Name: Karen Egypt

Title: Assistant Director, Office of Assessment and Decision Support

Institution or Organization: Georgetown University

Education: M.M., The Catholic University of America
B.Mus, The Catholic University of America

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

NEAIR

Member since 2006

Mentor since 2009

Proposal (Peer) Reviewer - 2009

Presentations

“Assessing Our IR Publications.” Workshare - 2010

“How to Create Presentation Quality Reports with SAS Proc TABULATE and ODS.”
Techshare (Co-Author) - 2010

AIR

Member since 1998

Track Proposal Reviewer – 2010, 2011

Session Facilitator - 2011

Presentations

“Assessing Our IR Publications.” Research in Action - 2010

“Tools and Techniques: What’s Next and How Do Institutional Researchers Keep Current.”
White Paper (Co-Author) - 2010

“Assessing the Engagement and Satisfaction of Special/Remote Student Populations.” Poster
(Co-Author) – 2009

Short Goal Statement:

I have benefitted from the excellent professional development and networking opportunities provided by NEAIR. Through NEAIR, I have met many colleagues who have helped me to grow as an institutional research professional. My goal as a member of the Nominating Committee is to give back to NEAIR by helping to identify and recruit individuals who will move our association forward.



Name: Alex McClung

Title: Assistant Director, Institutional Research

Institution or Organization: Swarthmore College

Education: BA, Colgate Univ.
MA, SUNY New Paltz
Currently completing doctoral work in sociology at Univ. at Albany (SUNY)

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

Since I am a relative newcomer to institutional research, my service has mostly consisted of on-campus activities such as volunteering my time to campus staff development efforts and working with students and other staff members on best practices for survey research. I am also a member of the American Statistical Association's "Statistics Without Borders" outreach group where I am waiting to be assigned to a specific project.

Short Goal Statement:

I am interested in volunteering my time to NEAIR as a way of contributing to NEAIR's mission of cultivating a shared space for institutional research practitioners to pursue professional development. The process of locating and selecting leadership candidates is an essential part of this and I hope to be a valuable member of the team charged with this responsibility. In the process, I also hope to meet and learn from colleagues. Some of my specific interests within institutional research are the IR role in examining mental health issues on campus and the tools and techniques of IR practice (especially the use of the R software and data mining techniques in IR).



Name: Alexander Yin

Title: Senior Planning Research Associate

Institution or Organization: The Pennsylvania State University

Education: BA and MS in Electrical Engineering (Georgia Tech)
Master in Applied Statistics (Penn State)
PhD in Higher Education (Penn State)

Service to NEAIR / AIR or state Affiliates:

AIR

AIR Membership Committee 2009-2011

Short Goal Statement:

I am just looking forward to make a valuable contribution to a community that has been very supportive in my career development. I have been fortunate enough to have received so much, but now I feel is my time to start giving back.