



2022-2023

The Illinois Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, Inc.

ILASFAA CANDIDATE ACCEPTANCE

Name of Candidate: Bobbi J Smith

Candidate is running for the office of: VP of Senior Publics

Candidate's EDUCATION background -- degree, institution, year (year is optional):

**Master's Degree – Western Illinois University
Bachelor's Degree – Western Illinois University**

Candidate's PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (please list current position first):

**Director of Financial Aid – Western Illinois University
Associate Director of Financial Aid – Western Illinois University
Financial Aid Manager – Western Illinois University
Financial Aid Coordinator – Western Illinois University/Spoon River Community College
Auditor – Illinois Auditor General's Office**

Candidate's PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES – years and activities:

ILASFAA: 2008-current

- o Training & Professional Development: co-chair & committee member**
- o Event Registration: chair & committee member**
- o Legislative Issues: co-chair & committee member**
- o Southern Regional Coordinator**
- o Executive Board: VP Senior Public**
- o ILASFAA Presenter: Annual Conference/Fall Workshop(s)**

MASFAA: 2019-current

NASFAA: 2008-current

- o Leadership and Legislative Issues Conference Attendee**
- o Certified Financial Aid Administrator 2020**

Southeastern Community Unit District #337 School Board Member: 2016 - current

What contribution do you envision ILASFAA making to the profession?

Networking amongst constituents, training and professional development, and legislative advocacy. Sharing ideas and initiatives that best serve clientele: students and families pursuing higher education.

How would you support financial aid professionals as we move into the future for ILASFAA? By being an advocate and leader within the profession. It is more important than ever to recruit and retain quality financial aid professionals and working across the aisle at individual campuses is important partnering with state, regional and national organizations is the first step and qualifying financial aid administration as a career worthy of investment.

You are the Future of ILASFAA!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN OUR ILASFAA ELECTIONS!

PLEASE RETURN your Candidate Acceptance to Karen LeVeque at kleveque@depaul.edu.