



June 19, 2007

Greetings from your International President!

Howard Cosell, Sports Broadcaster, said *“The ultimate victory in competition is derived from the inner satisfaction of knowing that you have done your best and that you have gotten the most out of what you had to give.”*

Thank you to the International, Division and Chapter leaders that have stepped up to the plate making this a very successful year. You are appreciated.

COMMITMENT:

As of June 28, 2007, there will be a total of 18 new professional chapters and 9 new student chapters chartered. WOW! This is outstanding news. Thank you for working together to inspire and equip all administrative professionals to attain excellence.

CONTINUING EDUCATION:

The 2007 Division Annual Meetings have brought superb professional development opportunities for attendees. It was my distinct pleasure to attend several of the Division Annual Meetings.

The Strategic Planning Sub-Committee will participate in “Planning the Future of IAAP – A Town Hall Meeting” an update on the strategic plan progress to date. In addition, a timeline for the implementation of IAAP’s “Pathways to Excellence” initiative which will serve as the basis for IAAP’s new Recognition Program will be shared.

The Sub-Committee also plans to seek extensive member and leadership feedback from all levels of the Association during the development process before recommending a new recognition program to the International Board of Directors for approval and implementation during the 2008-2009 IAAP year.

COMMUNICATION:

Within the IAAP network, everything revolves around not only good, but GREAT communication. Each month, I have had the pleasure of communicating and connecting with each of you.

During this IAAP year, the Division Presidents participated in two conference calls with me - this proved to be another excellent means of communication.

The Sub-Committee to increase International Board Member attendance at Division Annual Meetings has developed a protocol document for division annual meetings (document can be found on the IAAP website). At its spring meeting, the International Board approved funds for an incentive program that will assist Divisions with board member transportation costs to the 2008 Division Annual Meetings.

CREATIVITY:

This has been an outstanding year for stepping out of the box in various areas:

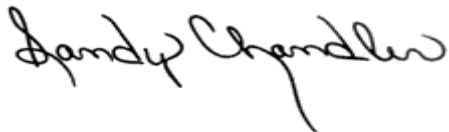
- UPS, the world's largest express package delivery company, joined the family of IAAP corporate sponsors as the organization's first ever "Platinum Level" sponsor.
- PromoCorp, based out of Alexandria, VA will serve as IAAP's Emblematic Merchandise supplier.
- The Employer Advisory Group Sub-Committee has developed a mission statement, created an employer targeted public relations brochure and identified its first group of invitees to participate in the first Employer Advisory Group. There are plans for IAAP to host its first Employer Advisory Group teleconference panel discussion soon.

CONNECTIVITY:

The web-based community software project continues to make tremendous progress. This is exciting news enabling more chapters and division to participate and connect.

THANK YOU for focusing on Chandler's five C's during the 2006-2007 IAAP year – Commitment, Continuing Education, Communication, Creativity and Connectivity. You are awesome, and I appreciate all of you. Time flies when you are having fun, doesn't it?

I'm looking forward to welcoming you to my home state of Florida for the 2007 International Convention and Education Forum in Tampa, July 29-August 1, 2007. Come on down and enjoy our Southern hospitality!



2006-2007 International President

