

# Executive Officers 2014

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# **CSTEP and STEP Project Directors:**

Annual dues for the Association of Program Administrators for CSTEP and STEP (APACS) are now being accepted. Annual dues of the Association are only \$200.00 per program. The work APACS undertakes on behalf of CSTEP and CSTEP programs and administrators including professional development, programmatic advancements, and advocacy efforts continues to add value and **voice** to the field for STEP and CSTEP professionals across New York State. APACS was established in 1997 by STEP and CSTEP professionals to advance equity, access, and excellence in STEM fields and the licensed professions. Today, this professional organization remains a vital asset to the development of STEP and CSTEP Programs and staff.

As part of APAC's effort to expand member participation, we urge you to be involved with APACS this year and participate in the growth and impact of APACS endeavors. The continued success of APACS is connected to your active membership. Your dues provide numerous benefits, which include the following:

- **Annual APACS Meeting & Best Practices Conference** held June 11–13, 2014 in Albany, NY.
- Organizing and coordinating **essential advocacy efforts** with elected New York State officials to ensure continued program funding.
- **Professional development** workshops during the Statewide STEP and CSTEP student conferences and Best Practices Conference.
- Enhanced APACS websites (<u>APACS.org</u> and <u>stepforleaders.org</u>) to provide resources and keep abreast of statewide developments affecting STEP & CSTEP.
- Fellowship funding for scholarly research related to STEP & CSTEP
- Establishing a **statewide application fee waiver** for STEP & CSTEP students applying to undergraduate and graduate programs.
- Voting privileges at the APACS Annual Meeting/Conference to make decisions on key initiatives.

Our goal is to reach 100% - with membership from <u>ALL</u> STEP and CSTEP Programs. There is strength in numbers, and your membership provides APACS with the resources

needed to continue providing the professional development and visibility that our programs need.

The deadline for 2014 membership dues is **Wednesday April 30, 2014**. Make checks payable to **APACS, Inc.** and mail to the address on the Annual Dues Form. \*\* The completed form must accompany your institutional check.

Thank you for continuing to support APACS, your professional association.

Sincerely,

Shanna Crump-Owens Membership Committee Co-Chair Francesca Berrouët Membership Committee Co-Chair