

THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS

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The High School Board of Control goals for the year were as follows:

1. To provide professional development opportunities to high school administrators based on identified needs.
2. To assist high schools with the NEAS&C accreditation process.
3. To connect high school principals with policy-makers, ensuring a strong “voice at the table” when decisions affecting the conditions for teaching and learning are made.
4. To continue High School Educator of the Year recognition.
5. To continue the William Cieslukowski Award for first year high school principals.
6. To foster membership in NASSP.

The activities generated in response to these goals included:

- CAS offered a two-day seminar October 27 and 28 on NEAS&C accreditation that registered 50 participants from ten different high schools. Over the last several years, CAS has provided 95 high schools with presentations and professional development programs on accreditation.
- The High School Professional Studies Committee has initiated work with high schools scheduled for 2011 and 2012 visitations under the new NEAS&C standards. The requirement for identifying 21st century skills has schools revising their core beliefs accordingly and participating in collaboration to share their work.
- The Board organized the High School Educator of the Year for the third year, solicited nominations, and selected a recipient. Over 20 nominations were received and considered with the three finalists having personal interviews.
- CAS partnered with the Connecticut Department of Education (CSDE) to offer high school administrators with information about SRBI. About 90 people attended a seminar as an introduction to main concepts of SRBI with a highly favorable response and request for more opportunities for school leader professional development.
- The Assistant Principals’ Committee, chaired by Andre Hauser of Coginchaug High School, sponsored a series of seminars for assistant principals on legal issues, technology, and school climate.
- The Board reviewed nominations for the William Cielukowski Award for first year principals and selected Ian Nevasier of Valley Regional High School in Deep River as the recipient. He was presented the award at the CAS Fall Conference at the Connecticut Science Center...
- CAS continues to handle all NASSP membership mailings and all renewals are processed through CAS. All NASSP members in Connecticut renew their memberships as of July 1. NASSP encourages state affiliates to collect NASSP dues and provides a financial incentive at no additional cost to the individual. About 380 Connecticut administrators are members of NASSP. The goal is now to encourage new memberships from Connecticut secondary school administrators.