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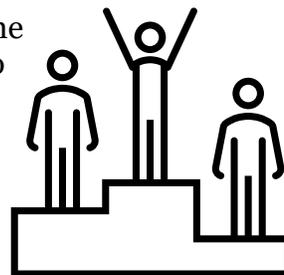
August - September 2021 Newsletter

Nominations for Awards – Due Date Extended to September 15

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2021 SBEA Awards to be presented in Memphis, TN, during the annual conference held October 20-23, 2021! The link to the nominations form is located on the SBEA website in the upper right corner of the home page. Nominations are due by September 15, 2021, for the following awards:

- ***Middle/Secondary Teacher of the Year**
- ***Post-Secondary Teacher of the Year**
- ***Collegiate/University Teacher of the Year**
- ***Distinguished Service Award for Outstanding contribution to Business Education by an Administrator or Supervisor of Business Education**

SBEA recommends consulting with the nominee before submitting the form to gather needed information and to ensure they are willing to attend the SBEA convention to receive their award. Guidelines and other directions are posted on the Nomination Form page. Remember, nominees must be current members of SBEA and have not previously received the award to be considered. You may nominate multiple candidates.



If you have questions or concerns, please contact Cheryl Wiedmaier at cdwied@gmail.com

President's Message

Hello, Southern Business Educators,

We are back in school and only ONE MONTH AWAY to our ***Rockin' & Rollin' with SBEA*** Conference! I hope all of you are registering soon and getting your hotel rooms booked because I know they are filling up! We have some great sessions planned where you can grab some exciting tips and teaching tricks to use in your classrooms.

As I have posted at the beginning of the newsletter, it is time to nominate your state's best business educators for the SBEA awards! **The due date is SEPTEMBER 15.** Everything you need to know is posted on the SBEA website and the link is [here](#)! Recognize those folks who have gone above and beyond to make business education its best for their students (I know that's all of you, but we don't have enough awards for everyone 😊)!

We have an exciting keynote speaker this year. His name is **Al Fike**, and you will enjoy him thoroughly! I met him when I was attending junior college a *longggg* time ago and he absolutely made a positive impression on me. He's not only a great speaker but quite the entertainer – he can do things with a saw that I never thought were possible! Come to Memphis and meet Al and get a few good laughs!



Please reach out if you have any questions!

I cannot wait to see all of you in Memphis!

Until next time,
Marie Coleman, Ph.D., President, SBEA

SBEA CONFERENCE LINKS

(Just click!)

[REGISTER HERE](#)

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HERE](#)



Open Position on the SBEA Board

The position of Vice President is vacant on the SBEA Board. If you believe you would enjoy serving in this position, please send an email of interest, along with a copy of your current resumé, to sbeaconvention@gmail.com.

It's Time to Submit State Conference Donations

It is customary for each state organization to support our annual conference in the form of a monetary donation so that we can offer our attendees an educational, informative, and exciting conference. Your state will also be featured in the conference program as sponsoring a meal or session with your donation. Please make your state's donation via the SBEA website or mail to:

Dr. Chad Springer
SBEA Treasurer
Auburn University
5040 Haley Center
Auburn University, AL 36849

You can call Chad at 334-844-4418 if you need to speak with him regarding your donation.

Featured State – Georgia



July 2021 - officers who attended GACTE in person (Pictured L to R – Renee Lumsden - GBEA Treasurer, Sonia Coile-GBEA VP to GACTE, Tracy Waters - GBEA Secretary, Tara Whitteker - GBEA President, Vershondra Glover - GBEA Past-President)

We will be having our Fall GBEA Conference September 23-24, 2021. It is a hybrid conference this year. GBEA members have the option of attending virtually or attending in person at Brasstown Valley Resort, in Young Harris, GA. The theme is RAISE (Renewing & Igniting Student Engagement). Our Professional Development Chair, LaToya Thomas, has done an outstanding job putting this conference together. Our keynote speaker will be the professional motivational speaker, Mr. Mike Howard. (Submitted by Tara Whitteker)



Conference Session Spotlight

Walk This Way with FBLA!



Two experienced district coordinators will share how to actively engage student members in local FBLA chapters. They will discuss the benefits to your local chapter and share community service project ideas – presented by Megan Johnson and Carole Anderson.

Resources for Your Classroom

- [Ethics Teaching Resources](#)
- [EconLowDown](#)
- [The Institutes](#)

Featured State – South Carolina

South Carolina Business and Technology teachers are continuing to do amazing work with our students. They have risen to and overcome the numerous challenges they have faced the past couple of years and SCBEA couldn't be prouder of their hard work and dedication. South Carolina continues to suffer greatly from COVID and its effects, with schools and districts being placed on remote or hybrid learning due to positive cases and quarantine procedures, but our teachers continue to do the absolute best they can to meet students' needs and continue the learning process.

Our President, Dr. Bridgett Wolfe, and secretary, Hyacinth Phillips, were able to attend the National Business Education Conference in April and truly enjoyed the experience and camaraderie- finally being able to attend professional development in a beautiful city like New Orleans. Dr. Wolfe attended the leadership seminar and looks forward to implementing the strategies and ideas presented.



We are currently still planning on hosting our conference in Myrtle Beach, SC on February 16-20, 2022. Our theme for this year is *Ignite the Passion, Launch the Dream* in honor of the recent space launch by Amazon's former CEO and what implications that may have for the future. We are working hard to ensure the conference is meaningful and relevant for our teachers and working beside the State Department of Education to ensure they have everything they need to be successful. We are also working diligently to increase our

membership numbers at the state, regional, and national level. It is our hope that by having a face-to-face conference we can bring back some sense of normalcy and provide an opportunity for our teachers to network and grow with each other. We are still fighting the battle of districts not allowing any travel or providing any funding, but we are staying positive that those restrictions will be lifted in time for participants to register and attend our conference. Since we were not able to have a conference last year, we decided not to give awards, but we look forward to honoring our award recipients this year! SCBEA is doing great things and I am proud to be a part of the organization!



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Submitted by Dr. Bridgett Wolfe

Conference Session Spotlight

Use Engagement to Get Your Class Rockin' and Rollin'

Hear from an experienced business and marketing teacher to learn tips and tricks for engaging students while keeping learning fun and exciting – presented by Angie Hutson

Upcoming Events

- **Georgia Business Education Association (GBEA)** – Hybrid Conference – September 21 – 24 - <http://www.gbea-online.org/gbea-annual-conference.html>
- **Southern Business Education Association (SBEA)** – Rockin' & Rollin' with SBEA – October 20 – 23, The Westin Memphis Beale Street Hotel, Memphis, TN – www.sbeaonline.org
- **National Business Education Association (NBEA)** – 2022 Hybrid Convention – April 12 – 15, 2022, Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL – <https://nbea.org/page/2022Convention>

Please email dates and locations of your 2021 state conference to sbeaconvention@gmail.com so we can include it in the next newsletter.

SBEA Board Members

We are here to serve our SBEA members! Email us at sbeaconvention@gmail.com if we can help you in any way!

Marie Coleman, President; Tracie Opolka, President-Elect; Vacant, Vice President; Michelle Taylor, Immediate Past President; Chadwick Springer, Secretary/Treasurer; Geana Mitchell, Conference Chair; Elisha Wohleb, SBEA Director to NBEA; Jennifer Stubblefield, Membership Director; Wendy Sonnier, Webmaster

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