

SCHOOL NUTRITION ASSOCIATION IOWA  
WINTER BOARD MEETING  
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2012

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Planning, Planning, Planning! Can you hear the buzz? There are hives of activity preparing many educational activities for our members as well as preparations for LAC, SNA Leadership, and the ballot for next year!

The Fall Nutrition Seminar was a rousing success - thanks to Kathy Simmerman and the committee for the Salad Bar Grant received last May. The one remaining item from the grant is the video that demonstrates to young students the "Salad Bar Rules!" It is nearly finished. Carol Voss from Public Health wrote an engaging rap that still haunts my mind when ever the words Salad Bar are used.

Welcome and thank you to Julie Hauser for accepting our request to fill the Secretary/Treasurer position vacated when we lost Brett.

The morning of the Winter Board Meeting is the third annual State Legislative Breakfast Reception. Thanks to Beth Hanna and LaRae Doll for the preparations. A great way to remind the legislators that there are people out there willing to answer any questions they may have about School Nutrition.

SNA's Legislative Action Conference is being held March 4-7. The contingent from SNAI includes Beth Hanna, Legislative Chair; Kathy Simmerman, President Elect; Suzy Ketelsen, Vice President; Kala Constant, At-Large selection; and myself. Currently appointments are being made with our Congressmen, an information book is coming together, and travel plans underway.

February 28<sup>th</sup> is the date for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Director's Meeting in Iowa City. The recently released final rule on the menu patterns will be prominent in the sessions that day.

District Chairs and Co-Chairs have nailed down a great agenda and six locations for the Spring District Workshops in March and April. The time schedule piloted last year will again be used. It packs 4 hours of learning in the morning and everyone is done by 12:30. I love the way that SNAI is constantly making things better while serving our members!

SNAI Summer Conference planning is in full force! Spread the word – June 19 and 20 in Dubuque. Great venue, water park attached for some fun and the agenda is shaping up to provide interesting and relevant information. And some Entertainment is in the works as well.

It is my honor and pleasure to serve with the wonderful people who make up this year's Board. You make membership in SNAI valuable. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Feilmann, President