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**Jessica Bender Presented with NACCU's 2019 Distinguished Service Award**

**Phoenix, AZ – April 26, 2019** – NACCU is proud to announce that Jessica Bender from Palm Beach State College is the recipient of the 2019 NACCU Distinguished Service Award. Jim Primovic from PERSONA presented the award to Jessica during the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual NACCU Conference in Hartford on April 10, 2019.

The NACCU Distinguished Service Award, sponsored by PERSONA, is presented annually to recognize an individual who has advanced the industry, exhibited entrepreneurial spirit, is an active member of

NACCU, is actively involved in R&D, and who is active in the industry through serving on advisory boards and/or actively educating through presentations and sessions.

At her campus, Jessica has worked with leaders to reduce costs while increasing campus services and revenue. She was instrumental in the conversion of the campus transaction system at Palm Beach State College to a new platform to further control institution expenses and provide enhanced services.

Jessica has mentored and shaped many of the talented leaders in our industry today. She is a wise counselor, a standard bearer of integrity and highly respected in our field. Clearly an outstanding professional, mentor, teacher and colleague. As a servant leader, she always shines the spotlight away from herself, while promoting the development of others and the profession as whole. She has been out front in the development of programs that have helped our members thrive and continue to thrive for years to come.



**Jessica Bender and Jim Primovic**



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Her work on the Professional Development committee with the development of the NACCU New Professionals Institute (NPI), webinars and other initiatives and events help to ensure the success of our members and the industry. She has also helped lead the association by serving on our Board of Directors for six years in a variety of roles including President Elect, President, and Immediate Past President. She also served on the Executive Director Search committee to replace Lowell Adkins upon his retirement.

Since her retirement from the NACCU Board this past year, she continues to serve the association in a variety of ways that enrich the lives of our members, currently serving as the 2019 conference chair.

NACCU congratulates Jessica Bender as the recipient of the 2019 NACCU Distinguished Service Award.

### **About NACCU**

NACCU provides members access to a network of campus identification and transaction system resources to integrate and streamline campus operations, and enhance the student experience. NACCU's mission is to advance the position of higher education transaction and identity systems through professional development and leadership opportunities for its members to stay current in an ever-changing environment.

Learn more at [www.naccu.org](http://www.naccu.org).

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