Membership Updates

As of October 2020, ICDA has 58 members.

- Professional: 44
- Student: 5
- Retired: 6
- Other: 3

Professional Development

- ICDA 2020 Virtual Conference Live Streamed Webinar Series — *Step 5 – Be a life-long learner by engaging in professional development opportunities*, Friday, November 20, 2020 – 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM.
- The recorded ICDA 2020 Virtual Conference Webinar Series — The ICDA Five Steps of Proactive Career Development, will soon be available on the ICA website.
- **ICDA Spring Conference**, *Career Development Revolution*, will be held on April 16, 2021 at the Northern Illinois University campus in Naperville from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

Current Leadership

President: Danette Schulz, LPC, NCC
Past-President: Vera Rodriguez Mancera, LPC
Secretary: Autumn Cabell, Ph.D., LPC, CCC, NCC
Treasurer: David Barreto, LCPC
Director: Kellee Watkins, LCSW
Director: Maureen Tamillow, LCPC, RDDP, PEL

Committees:

**Division Awards Chair: Danette Schulz**
ICDA will be awarding the 2020 **Advocacy Award** to the **Chocolate Chips Association**. Karen Jones, the executive Director and CEO of Chocolate Chips Association will be accepting the award on behalf of the organization.

**Social Media Chair – Autumn Cabell**
The Social Media Chair created and manages the ICDA Twitter page @IllinoisCDA. Autumn has worked to increase the followers of the page by posting on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. In
addition, she makes sure that the posts on the Facebook page mirror the posts on the Twitter page to inform followers and group members of upcoming ICDA events and career development news. Committee member Vera Rodriguez Mancera also created an Instagram account for ICDA.

**Website/Blog/Newsletter Chair: Vera Rodriguez Mancera**
ICDA’s blog for November (Career Development Month) will feature a new blog post with tips on how to help undocumented students.

**ICDA 2020 Virtual Conference Webinar Series Chair: Donna Sandberg**
Having both the organizational and technological support of the ICA staff, ICDA was able to transition and reformat our one-day face-to-face conference into a virtual conference webinar series. Please see attached letter.

**Spring Conference 2021 Chair: Kellee Watkins**
ICDA Spring 2021 Conference – *Career Development Revolution*
Date: April 16, 2021
Time: 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: Northern Illinois University, Naperville campus
Live, In-Person (yet COVID-19 accommodating)
Please note: Plans are in place should the conference need to transition to a virtual platform.

**ICDA Leadership Meetings**
- Danette Schulz and Autumn Cabell attended the virtual ICA Leadership Academy on June 19, 2020.
- Danette Schulz attended the virtual ICA Division meeting on June 17, 2020.
- Danette Schulz and Vera Rodriguez Mancera attended the virtual ICA Governing Council meeting on June 20, 2020.
- Danette Schulz attended the virtual NCDA Leadership Academy on July 16, 2020.
- Retreat: ICDA Board of Directors met virtually on August 9, 2020 to plan for 2020-2021.

**Membership Management**
Recruiting new members and retaining existing members is behind ICDA’s goal of increasing the value of ICDA membership. Each month a courtesy reminder was emailed to members that may need to renew their membership. Networking and engagement have been challenging given the pandemic and ongoing mitigation efforts but staying connected was achieved through technology.

Respectfully submitted by Danette Schulz