

As our professional organization grows and evolves, we are looking to expand our base of working and retired school counselors who regularly volunteer their time to help PSCA. We have opportunities for you to get involved in several different ways.

**Committee Chairs-** Are you a strong communicator with good group leadership skills? Do you have good organization skills? Are you the type of person who likes to set up project timelines and checklists? Are you comfortable with computers? (No, we aren't looking for programmers, just people who are comfortable using basic computer applications or are at least willing to learn) If any of this sounds like you, perhaps you would like to apply to be a committee chair with PSCA. PSCA committee chairs attend the four quarterly PSCA board meetings and are an important part of the PSCA leadership team. As part of the process of implementing our new strategic plan, we are posting the following openings for committee chairs:

- Professional Recognition – oversee various aspects of School Counselor of The Year awards
- Conference Registration- Process conference registrations, help organize and distribute registration packets at the conference
- Membership – work to increase membership by working with IU reps to send “invitations” to counselors to join PSCA and/or maintain membership database, respond to membership questions
- The Pennsylvania Counselor – editor position; Responsible for soliciting articles, arranging layout, editing articles
- What Works in School Counseling- editor and committee members needed- Responsible for soliciting articles, editing, working with printing company
- Conference Planner – organizing the details of the conference, works with the conference location representative, coordinates the sub committees
- Conference Workshops –solicit and select workshops to be presented at the annual conference
- Conference Exhibits – recruit and provide support for conference exhibitors
- Conference Sponsorships – solicit and provide support for conference sponsors. Have some long dormant marketing skills that you would like to put to use? This could be the position for you.
- Brochures – editor and committee members needed, designing our printed materials
- Advocacy & Public Awareness- working with officers to create a “Day on the Hill” in Harrisburg, keeping members informed of legislation and policies that effects school counseling
- Web site management and design
- Webstore- Help create PSCA’s new webstore

**Committee Members-** Do you have a skill-set that you think would be helpful with a particular committee? Are you looking for ways to help out but not necessarily looking to get too involved? Would you be willing to help out by doing some tasks at home or possibly at our annual conference? The committees listed above could all use help.

**Professional Interest Network Coordinator-** This is a new position that PSCA will be premiering during the 2009-2010 school year. Do you have a strong passion for a particular focus area in your work as a school counselor? Are you comfortable using e-mail and web applications? Would you be comfortable facilitating a web-based discussion regarding your area of interest? Professional Interest Network Coordinators do not need to attend PSCA board meetings but they do stay in touch with members of the PSCA leadership. Professional Interest Network Coordinators will do most of their work as school-based or home-based tasks. Your role would involve moderating listservs and discussions groups, sharing articles of interest with like-minded members, as well as locating and sharing resources with members. Strong computer and information literacy skills are a must for these positions. PSCA is seeking individuals to lead the following professional interest networks:

- Students with Special Needs
- Crisis Response
- High School Counseling
- Middle School Counseling
- Elementary School Counseling
- Career & Workforce Development
- Diversity
- Technology in School Counseling
- Research & Accountability
- Group Counseling
- Classroom Guidance
- ASCA Model

If you are interested in getting involved, drop me a line. Outline the skills and experience that you feel would make you a great asset to PSCA. If you aren't sure whether now is the right time...now is the time...you are the right person...let's talk.

Please contact me at [PattiPSCA@gmail.com](mailto:PattiPSCA@gmail.com) for a more detailed explanation of the roles. If you have other suggestions for ways to expand member services, drop me a line.