Cofer Elected As NACADA Representative

TIFTON – Rebecca Cofer from Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College has been selected to the Commission and Interest Group (CIG) appointed representative position of the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) based at Kansas State University (KSU).
Cofer serves as the coordinator of the Academic Achievement Center in the Office of Academic Support at ABAC.

“...I’m really excited to serve as an Appointed Representative for a division of NACADA,” Cofer said. “This association is full of amazing professionals that truly put students first so to be considered for a leadership position in this association is a real honor for me.”

Cofer was elected after a rigorous selection process between nine candidates. A survey was developed to allow for applicants to submit relevant information regarding their interest in the CIG Representative position. Invitations to apply were then sent to all current chairs and all past chairs from the past five years.

The Executive Office representative then removed all names from the applications and created a random ordering for the responses so that responses to each question could be ranked without regard for knowledge of the applicant. Finally, after a blind review, Cofer was elected by unanimous decision as a result of experience, articulation of her appreciation of diversity, and the strength and clarity of the goals she identified for her term in office.

Cofer will be serving as a representative to the executive board. She will be required to attend meetings at KSU and take part in the annual conference. She has been an active part of NACADA, previously serving as a commission chair, a steering committee member and an Emerging Leader Mentor. In 2009, she was the recipient of the national outstanding new advisor of the year award.

NACADA is an association of professional advisors, counselors, faculty, administrators, and students who work to enrich the advancement of students. The organization was established
from the first National Conference on Academic Advising in 1977 and presently has over 11,000 members who represent all 50 states, Puerto Rico, Canada, and several other international countries.

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