

## ADMINISTRATORS LUNCHEON OFFERED FOOD FOR THOUGHT & PEER NETWORKING

MACSA School Administrators gathered in Lancaster last month to talk with their peers and to offer solicited feedback as to how MACSA can best serve them.

In roundtable discussion groups, school leaders shared the needs of their schools and staff with peers and MACSA Board members. Attendees then listed their top concerns or wishes, which included opportunities for:



- **Networking** with other administrators, schools, and teachers.
- **Support** for new administrators, mentoring, and peer consultations.
- **Marketing** and **Enrollment** resources and strategies.
- **Guidance for Funding Opportunities** (such as EITC and OSTC.)
- **Local support, fellowship, and regional connections with other schools** ( i.e. to host combined events that most schools could not afford to do on their own).
- **Year-round networking events** (perhaps quarterly) for Administrators.



Thank you to the Administrators for your honest feedback! MACSA is reviewing all of the suggestions with a focus on connecting our member schools this upcoming year.

**Save-the-date for the Professional Development Forum  
at Lancaster Bible College, October 19 & 20, 2017  
More information for registration and pricing this spring.**

## MACSA recognizes Dr. James Smock for his faithful servant-leadership

The Administrators Luncheon was the perfect time for MACSA to thank Dr. James Smock for his years of service and leadership to our organization and Christian Education.

Jim Smock embodies the spirit of servant-leader to MACSA, to his school, West-Mont Christian Academy, and faithfully to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Jim served as the President of MACSA from 2013 to 2016 after serving a three-year term as our Vice President. MACSA events often found him at the podium opening the day, praying with other Administrators, or at the sound board sorting out the day's technology challenges. He is always ready to offer an encouraging word and a thoughtful Scripture verse.

Jim has always served with an others-first heart and an infectious laugh that can ease the tension in an awkward situation. He brings this same dedication to his role as the Administrator of West-Mont Christian Academy, a K-12 Christian School in Pottstown, PA, where he has served for 30 years. Jim continues to serve MACSA as an Advisory Council Member and on the Convention Programming Committee.



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