Resource List for Minnesota International Educators (MIE)
2010-2011

Helpful individuals for specific case questions or general visa regulation questions:

- NAFSA Region IV Minnesota State Representative**:** **Amy VanSurksum**, Assistant Director of Admission at Saint John's Preparatory School; avansurksum@csbsju.edu; 320-363-3320

-NAFSA Region IV KC—ISS (Knowledge Community —International Student and Scholars) Representative: **Lori Friedman,** Director of International Student & Scholar Services at St. Cloud State University; lbfriedman@stcloudstate.edu; 320-308-4287

- NAFSA Region IV Minnesota State Immigration Representative: Aaron Colhapp, Macalester College; Colhapp@macalester.edu

-NAFSA Region IV Regulatory Ombudsperson for Students (Assists with issues involving F-1 and J-1 students): **Becky Zama,** International Student and Scholar Services Program Coordinator at Iowa State University; bzama@iastate.edu; 515-294-1120

- NAFSA Region IV Regulatory Ombudsman for Scholars **(**Assists with issues involving J-1 scholars, H-1B and PR employment-based immigration): **Ann Lance,** International Personnel Office, Mayo Clinic; lance.ann@mayo.com; 507-284-8591

-**Bruce Gawtry**, retired U.S. Customs and Border Protection Supervisor who was a former U.S. Immigration collateral duty school officer for 26 years; U of MN SEVIS/DHS Liason in International Student Scholar Services; Macalester College Immigration Specialist; Email: bruce@gawtry.net

-**Larry Minner**, Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) Officer of the Day (located at the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport), larry.minner@dhs.gov; (P) 612-725-3480; (F) 612-725-3842

Website resources and/or List Serves that can be helpful:

MIE website: http://www.mn-mie.com/

MIE Group home page: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MIE-MN to post any questions to the group—even case specific questions--and view any questions and answers that have been exchanged. This is a separate website from our current MIE website. MIE members need to join this Yahoo group to benefit from it.

NAFSA IssueNet (www.issuenet.nafsa.org) lets anyone in the international education community report regulatory issues of concern and contact NAFSA regional volunteers for assistance.

SEVIS II Yahoo group site URL: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sevisii/

SEVIS II **Batch** Yahoo group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sevisiibatch/

NAFSA Online Advising Manual-- www.nafsa.org: Knowledge base for international student advisors on concepts, laws, policies, procedures and gray areas around complicated U.S. immigration regulations.