



President's Message

MISAC Annual Conference - Record Attendance Levels

Members of MISAC present at League Annual Conference

Dear Fellow MISAC Members:

It has been a busy few weeks for many members of MISAC. Prior to hundreds of municipal IT professionals gathering in San Diego for the 15th Annual Conference for the Municipal Information Systems Association of California, members of MISAC also participated on a panel for the League of California Cities Annual Conference in Long Beach.

Pismo Beach City Manager Jim Lewis moderated a panel with Michael Allen of Visalia, Gaurav Garg of Santa Clara and Brian Moura of Regional Government Services Agency. The panel was titled "Making the Most of Your City's Technology." Members of the League of California Cities got to experience the collective wisdom of our MISAC members and become more familiar with our organization.

At the League Annual Conference, we learned there was a hearing taking place in Los Angeles about the implementation of SB 272, so Mike Allen and I headed that way next. Being in the room with Senator Hertzberg and others, it became clear that SB 272 is just the beginning. There will be a "clean up" bill as well as the possibility of more open data legislation, and MISAC should be an active voice on this issue.

After the hearing in Los Angeles, I headed south for our conference. As always, it was great to see so many friends and colleagues. This year we had record attendance. We had 498 attendees, with several out of state attendees from Washington, Colorado and Arizona. The reach and reputation of MISAC is clearly growing, and I am very proud of how far we have come.

On the Saturday before the conference, the Board of Directors met for our strategic planning session. Collectively, we developed many goals to continue to grow the organization. We are optimistic and excited about the future of MISAC.

Sunday evening, we honored the Excellence Award Winners for this year. I am inspired every year by the award winners and their innovations across the State.

On Tuesday, the last evening of the conference, we took a tour of Petco Park, which was a real treat. It is an incredible venue. Admittedly, many of us were checking out their IT infrastructure and commenting on that while taking in the sights of the ballpark.

You can see images from the conference on our [website](#).

It has been a busy but exciting month and I am honored to serve as President for such a robust and dynamic organization. I am looking forward to continued growth and development over the coming year.

Sincerely,

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