

## Academy of Teaching Executive Council Meeting

Thursday, January 21, 2016

211 Younkin Success Center

11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

### Agenda:

#### I. Conference planning

##### -Proposal selection

- We can select up to 15 sessions and invite the rest to submit posters
- Who would like to review
  - Ben, Avi, Caroline, Lisa, Alan, Ann, Kim (if needed)
  - Each person will read 12 with a decision deadline of February 5
  - Check to see if they disagree/agree → tiebreaker if needed
  - Jennie will get submissions to reviewers early next week
- Rubric
  - Consider variety of type
  - Consider variety of colleges
- E-posters

##### -Keynote speaker

- Ideas
  - V. Benasi (New Hampshire Center for Teaching Excellence)
  - Nancy Chism (IUPUI)
  - Brian Coppola (U of M)
  - Robin Foreman (Emory)
  - Craig Nelson (Indiana)
  - Kathleen McKinney (Illinois State) - #2 choice – Alan will contact
  - Internal (e.g., representative from Teaching & Learning Institute)
    - Invite them to do a poster, even if they don't provide keynote
  - Beth Morling (University of Delaware)
  - Randy Bass (Georgetown) - #1 choice – Alan will contact

##### -Reception/Schedule

- 9 – Welcome
- 9:15 – Keynote
- 10:30 – Breakout (3 sessions each time)
- 11:15 - Breakout
- 12 – Breakout
- 1:10 – Breakout
- 2:00 – Breakout
- 3 – Reception (posters and presenters available to chat)
- 4 – End

## II. Blog updates

- See appendix for guidelines
- If too long – use abstract in blog, link to full article *or* subdivide
- Advertise opportunity at conference
- Have first three up before conference
- Caroline will make edits and provide an updated version to us

## III. Founder's Award

- Our Ideas
  - Randy Smith
  - President Drake – maybe next year?
  - Supporter of next generation of teachers – UCAT?
  - Bob Gufstafson
- Jennie will contact glass blower
- Send out nomination form – nominations due March 1
  - Jennie will send this out

## IV. Institute update

- There was a convening two weeks ago
- Randy and Jennifer shared a draft of the formal proposal that will go through the university governance structure and asked for feedback from the participants
- Likely to be finalized within the month
- UCAT was asked to come up, in conjunction with ODEE, to come up with new faculty orientation to be kickoff event sponsored by the Institute
  - Likely to be 2 days of intensive training followed by participant-chosen programming
  - Speaking with Academy of Teaching
  - Create a cohort of faculty across multiple disciplines
  - Self-needs assessments?
- Write letter from the executive council to the planners for the Institute
  - Ann will write it and members will co-sign

## V. Next Meeting: Jennie will send a poll.

## **Academy of Teaching Blog**

Members of the Ohio State University teaching community are invited to submit short compositions about teaching and student learning to the Executive Committee of the Academy of Teaching for posting to this blog.

### **Blog objectives:**

- a starting point for conversations within the University community about teaching
- an opportunity to share success stories about teaching, learning and assessment
- a mechanism to communicate teaching experiences to OSU faculty and instructional staff across many different disciplines

### **Blog format:**

- Up to 400 words (approximately one page, single-spaced)
- Please submit a picture(s) to accompany your post (minimally, a head shot; a photograph of you in action would be preferred)
- Include links to resources to be included in the text
- Conclude with a call to action for your readers (e.g., a registration link, website to visit for more information, etc.)

### **Process for submitting a blog:**

1. Indicate your topic of interest to any member of the Executive Council of the Academy of Teaching (<http://academy.osu.edu/about/executive-council/>), which coordinates the blog. The Executive Council will review your topic and decide whether it is suitable for this blog, make comments and suggestions if needed, and give you a target date by which to submit the blog.
2. Type the blog in a Word document.
3. Submit the Word document to Jennie Williams ([Williams.4006@osu.edu](mailto:Williams.4006@osu.edu)). She will work with the Executive Council membership to edit and post it on the blog, and our automated publicity will make you instantly famous!

### **Ideas for blog topics:**

- Summary of an event or conference you attended
- Teaching tips and advice
- Your insights on a current issue in higher education
- Summary of a relevant book or article
- Announcement of an award or praise for an individual's accomplishment(s)
- Announcement and invitation for an upcoming event

### **Tips for writing blogs:**

- Blogs should be written in a personal, conversational style
- Topics should be of interest to a wide range of our clientele
- Including your own experiences or insights is helpful (writing from the first-person is encouraged)
- Short paragraphs, subtitles, etc. are ideal for the online format
- Timing is everything - think about upcoming office or university events, ongoing world events, etc.