

OSU Academy of Teaching Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 4, 2020 11AM
Via Zoom

ATTENDING:

Ben McCorkle, Lisa Cravens-Brow, Kay Halasek, John Horack, Jerry Masty, Alex Grieco, Scott A Jones, Don Stenta (Alumni Assoc) , Elena Foulis

Presenting: Melinda Rhodes-DiSalvo, Associate Director of Operations and Strategic Partnerships, Michael V. Drake Institute for Teaching and Learning

Kay Halasek – UITL name change- Michael V. Drake Institute for Teaching and Learning - to be called The Drake Institute –

Melinda:

Congratulations to Kay on her promotion to Professor.

Priorities for Institute as Pts. 1&2 compensation deadline has passed. Now will shift to pt. 3 – Instructional Redesign.

Approach shift/enhancement. Plan to have Disciplinary Pedagogical experts and faculty with particular areas of expertise will lead cohorts as part of their work.

Successful Pilots:

Nicole Kraft – Associate Professor, School of Communication led recent Carmen Common Sense IR Cohort -75 attendees (20 were expected) .

Synchronous- 60 min per day for 5 days-
Discussion, Q&A, videos of students describing their experiences with Carmen
Should glean 7-14 completed IR Portfolios

Non submission for several reasons:

Some are PT
Some will do IR on a different topic
Some might do IR in years to come.

Mansfield Campus- Caroline Skinner- Writing as a Mode of Learning – WAC workshop-

IR Cohorts will also be achieved via Endorsements and Communities of Practice facilitated by the Drake Institute.

Members of the Academy are sought to be leaders of IR Cohorts-

Cohort leadership is time intensive – need to build in Carmen and respond to cohort questions and needs – Melinda will partner with you- answer general questions RE: portfolio, assessment strategies. Flexibility: synchronous, asynchronous, you can work with a team, cohort size is up to leader. Compensation \$1150 – for FT faculty and pre-approved staff. (FT= >75% FTE)

Questions:

Lisa- person leading IR chooses topic and designs programming? Yes

Cohort centered around a targeted group of instructors? Yes

Staff eligible for IR payout? Must be approved as TSP eligible- mainly instructional role .75 FTE and above

Are Cohort leaders expected to mentor participants through the proposal process? No- Drake Institute staff will take over post cohort- Melinda would be that point of contact-consultants can assist.

Ben: this idea aligns with one of the outcomes from the breakfast last fall- bringing academy talents to the Drake Institute. Pathway to participate in efforts of Drake Inst. bring attention to the AOT.

6-7 Cohorts are currently active in collaboration with Drake Institute and the Institute has a set of resources that can be made available- can present a preview of IR process at early meetings- Assessment section is challenging but rewarding, Institute staff can be made available as a resource.

Kay encourages Academy members to contribute their stories as submission to How are You Teaching at Drake Inst. Website. If you have colleagues, you would like to recommend pls let us know.

Ben- Academy can also do follow up.

Other Business:

Organizational Restructure- Teams will become a central hub. Easy way to provide access to critical documents. Potential sunseting of BOX?

Fall Breakfast- Fall events – no guidance yet. Anticipate typical model from the past will be complicated. Ideas for approach or alternate experience: Seems unlikely that large group can gather-

Zoom seminar

1. New President? Get her to commit to new calendar –Potential to be flexible with schedule. Dr. Drake as backup? (farewell address?)

Structure:

Speaker – 30 mins – centerpiece

Asynchronous follow up – Qualtrics?

2. Panel – ODI- Student Life-Provost—Student representation- transition of the Academy, what does it mean for educators and students?

Discussion of resiliency during the COVID response- students, teaching, faculty impacts?
New business model of higher ed Post-COVID (CFO, Provost, VP student life) what will be the impact on student experience – overlay other current issues- racism, protest movement etc.

New Head of Student Life: Melissa Shivers

Elena: Must leave room to discuss difficulties faced by faculty at this time, particularly POC, women – Discuss issues of multi layered planning and online planning- ODEE should be part of the conversation- what are they doing to support at this time. We must have the hard conversations and address the struggles in an empowering way. Possible Panel Member- Jasmine (? No last name given) faculty member, has written a powerful article about difficulties encountered in the spring pivot to remote teaching.

Isha Ahmad- Chronicle articles- powerful speaker-

Lisa CB- Student perspective, online SP was not as successful as some may think. There were many challenges that will continue.

Drake Institute- is there a plan to discuss these topics as a part of their mission?

Kay- Yes- we have strengthened and deepened our ties with ODI – linking their expertise with student and faculty experience- Deep Civility Toolkit- Opportunity for IR cohort – strategic and evidence based practice toward inclusive teaching that anticipates rather than responding to challenges.

Ben- Is it too much to want to do it all this fall?

Lisa CB-Yes trying to squeeze too much conversation about important topics- perhaps break these ideas out into more than one event. Trying to make it impactful will require enough time.

Elena’s suggestion warrants an ongoing series of conversations-

Kay: There is potential for an ongoing panel discussion series- Drake Institute and Academy might partner going forward and bring in ODI to put together a series of events to address this topic- announce at Fall Breakfast?

VICE CHAIR It is time to nominate vice chair who will shadow Ben this year in preparation to take over as Chair in AU21.

IMMEDIATE NEXT STEPS:

Ben:

- Set up channel for panel discussion series
- Start Fall breakfast conversation in Teams channel.
- Send email to solicit vice chair nominations.

Laura:

- Will contact transition team RE: scheduling for new President in Sept.

Submitted by Laura Cotton 6/4/2020 12:12 PM