

Community College Interest Group

Meeting Minutes, April 25th, 2014

Eastern Communication Association

Providence, Rhode Island

Present:

Susan Ward, Isa Engleberg, Jenny Warren, Kerri Byrnes, Shawn Palmer, Alberta Arnold, Michelle Simpson, Tom Jewell, Dante Morelli, Tom Donlan, Carol Bennett, Nancy Willets, Kristin English, Scott Dunright, Jessica Papajcik, Kristin English, Laura Davis, Rebecca Townsend, Tobi Mackler, Nadine Cichy

Minutes:

- Meeting started at 1:03 PM
- Kristin English spoke on the planning team for Philadelphia, where the theme is Deliberation
 - o Focus on spotlight sessions
 - o Focus interactive sessions
 - o Focus on interdisciplinary sessions
 - o Focus on the Undergraduate Scholars Conference – To foster excellence, they will have a lot of guides and resources including YouTube videos on how to submit and present etc.
- The division will have four program submissions, but 8 total slots.
 - o We filled them with additional slots created by Tom and Nancy.
 - o We need to garner more submissions for next year.
- Rebecca Townsend spoke on the G.I.F.T.S. sessions
 - o There were 30 G.I.F.T.S. submissions (17 were accepted)
 - o There were 16 total reviewers for the submissions
 - o Each piece had multiple reviewers to ensure a quality review
 - o Becki suggested that any audio-visual (AV) requests be made in the proposal and not after the proposal is accepted
- Michelle Simpson provided the ECA Executive Council report
 - o By the end of the conference weekend, we will have 800 people registered for the conference.
 - o Next year will be in Philadelphia, where they will be testing a new mobile application for the program.
 - o Spotlight sessions will try to bring in media for coverage.
 - o They discussed the site selection for future years.
 - o Nancy would like feedback about the cost for hotel rooms in Boston. Specifically, Would \$250 or more for hotel rooms in Boston be too much?

- There is potential for a new ECA logo
- Kerri Byrnes provided the NCA Legislative Assembly report
 - ECA is healthy financially although ECA memberships are down slightly
 - The bylaw vote will come back around again as it did not pass by the majority voted needed
- Approval of meeting minutes
 - Susan Ward motioned, Rebecca Townsend seconded and the motion carried.
- Susan spoke about the amended bylaws for the Community College Interest Group
 - We need to change the bylaws for the secretary term
 - Susan Ward motioned, Nancy Willets seconded and the motion carried by a two-thirds vote
- Laura Davis called for nominations of the 2016 Chair/2015 Gifts Planner
 - Kerri Byrnes nominated Jenny Warren
 - There were no other nominations
 - Jenny Warren was voted in by acclamation
- Laura Davis called for nominations for the 2015-2017 CCIG Representative to ECA Executive Council
 - Jessica Papajcik self-nominated
 - There were no other nominations
 - Jessica Papajcik was voted in by acclamation
- Rebecca Townsend discussed the 2015 planning sessions
 - Discussed activity for ideas for panels/discussions in a deliberative manner.
 - Walls have posters with previous ideas on them.
 - Members are to go around the room to generate new topics and ideas.
- Isa Engleberg discussed Core Competencies going to publication
 - She can provide copies and could send electronically if needed.
- Carol Bennett wanted to start some dialogue about assessment and research methods, along with the impact of teaching to the test.
 - Carol's previous OCC has the same number of full-time faculty from years ago, but a much large student body (6000+ more students)
- Tobi Mackler asked to send information on the posters to the entire group
- Announcements:
 - Alberta Arnold – needs nominations for CCIG for NCA positions.
 - Open positions are Vice-Chair Elect (5 year term), Secretary (2 year term), Nominating Committee Representative.
 - Alberta needs the nominations by October 2015.
 - Contact Alberta with any questions.
 - Susan Ward – wants to create a better mechanism for communicating within ECA rather than going through Kathie Cesa every time. She feels that it stifles public discussion.
 - Also, if you have a college that is willing to host a list-serv, please let Susan know.
 - Carol Bennett started an event page on Facebook.

- Jessica Papacjik suggested asking ECA if they'd be willing to host a page/list-serv
 - Kerri Byrnes requested others to let her know if they are interested in Lumina tuning process
 - Open Positions
 - Susan Ward mentioned that Delaware County Community College will have an open position soon for Media Studies
 - Nadine Cichy mentioned that Sinclair Community College has a full-time position open for a generalist
 - Laura Davis mentioned that Harrisburg Area Community College has a full-time position open for Journalism (virtual position)
 - Nancy Willets mentioned that she is the Chair of the ECA nominating committee and is looking for the positions of First President Select Elect, ECA Representative to the NCA 2016 Nominating Committee and the ECA Representative to the NCA Legislative Assembly K-12. Individuals should contact her if you are interested in any of the positions.
 - Nancy Willets encouraged everyone to come to the awards panel at 11:00 AM on Friday and the pub outing
- Tom Donlan motioned to adjourn the meeting, Tom Jewell seconded and the meeting was adjourned.