## FDAC Committee Meeting

## November 1, 2024

In attendance: Cathleen Akers, Bryan Beck, Dr. Rebecca Burton, Dr. Cathy Donald-Whitney, Thomas Ehrhart, JD, Bonnie Ford, Linda Kapocsi, Dr. Lisa Kirby, Dr. Michael Latham, Dr. Patrick Lewis, Dr. Sahalie Mitchell, Kenya Rutherford, Dr. Allison Venuto, and Dr. Tiffany Vincent

## **Discussion Topics:**

- 1. Welcome from Dr. Allison Venuto
- 2. Voting results from Spring 2025 Faculty Development Day proposals
  - a. Rebecca created proposal tracks: Administrative, Current Trends, Innovative Teaching, Tech in the Classroom, Teaching and Learning, and Working with Special Populations and explained the voting results (votes from highest to lowest and natural breaks in the proposal shared document spreadsheet).
  - b. The group discussed adding additional time for individual FDAC members who have not yet voted to vote through Nov. 3 in the shared document.
  - c. Cathleen recommended just going forward with grayed out presentations and foregoing voting.
  - d. Sahalie voiced concerns about the lack of voting from some committee members- asked for a more complete assessment
  - e. Cathy voiced concern about rejecting some proposals.
  - f. Allison explained she is sensitive to rejection language, and said she will share language with the committee via email next week before sending proposal results out to faculty. Allison explained everyone has access to the shared spreadsheet in which to input their voting by the end of the weekend.
  - g. Allison will create language about messages to those who proposed sessions and will send those messages (one for accepted proposals to present live at the conference and one for proposals invited to create videos) drafts out next week to the committee for review.
- 3. Allison discussed the RSVP process for the Spring Conference
  - a. The group discussed whether or not the faculty attendee RSVP to the spring conference day needs to include session titles and breaking down the breakfast and lunch requests items. The committee decided the RSVP form /email does not need to include session titles. The group recommended more information in the RSVP form breaking down requests for breakfast and lunch, since at the last conference, we had food left over.
- 4. Announcement that Dawn will be our Welcome Chair

- a. Task: get people signed in at the beginning of the conference
- b. Kenya volunteered to help on conference day
- 5. Fall 2025 Conference Day
  - a. Allison solicited feedback for the Fall 2025 Faculty Development Conference- topics and speakers
  - b. Potential Speakers:
    - Rebecca suggested Andrew Watson as a potential speaker. Topic: science of learning and understanding/attention and orientation to right stimuli/alertness "Attention is Misunderstood" (Learning and Brain Conference)
    - ii. Rebecca suggested Ulcca Joshi Hansen as a potential speaker: Topic:"What is the future of smart?"
- 6. Other topics/ideas
  - a. Patrick asked for some insight into the next meeting's agenda
  - b. Discussion on whether we need to meet next week- Allison may just send an e-mail instead of meeting.

Meeting ended at 12:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Dr. Sahalie Mitchell, Linda Kapocsi, and Dr. Allison Venuto