

# Teaching Academy Executive Council Minutes

## September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### **Members Present:**

Scott Burris, Nathan Collie, Katie Langford, Mitzi Lauderdale, Angela Lumpkin, Bob McDonald, Ali Nejat, Brie Sherwin, Suzanne Tapp, Comfort Pratt (Chair)

### **Members Not Present:**

Upe Flueckiger, Lisa Garner Santa, Mark Webb

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Angela Lumpkin motioned to approve the minutes and Bob McDonald seconded.

### **Welcome:**

Comfort Pratt welcomed the new members of the Executive Council, Brie Sherwin from the School of Law and Mitzi Lauderdale from the College of Human Sciences.

Comfort shared her vision for the Teaching Academy this year. She wants to promote visibility and impact on campus and asked council members to consider ways to promote the Teaching Academy to their colleges. She encouraged all to promote awards, the Burns Conference, and to help her develop a visibility and impact survey to send to all Teaching Academy members.

### **Updates:**

#### *Teaching Academy Induction Ceremony*

The Induction Ceremony will occur Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. This year, there are fourteen new members. The 2017 recipients of the Lawrence Schovanec Teaching Development Scholarships will also be recognized and be given a certificate.

#### *Business Meeting*

A Teaching Academy business meeting will take place immediately after the Induction Ceremony. Comfort Pratt would like to share the results of the visibility and impact survey with the members.

#### *Teaching Academy John M. Burns Conference*

The conference will take place Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Suzanne Tapp gave some information on the schedule and shared how fortunate the Teaching Academy is to have Dr. Peter Felten as the keynote speaker, due to his increasing popularity.

This year, recipients of the 2017 Lawrence Schovanec Teaching Development Scholarships will have poster presentations about their work.

### **Announcements:**

#### *Teaching Academy commencement representatives*

Comfort Pratt reported that several members of the council have already volunteered to represent the Teaching Academy at the fall and spring commencements for this academic year.

*Lawrence Schovanec Teaching Development Scholarships*

Comfort Pratt announced that the applications will open September 15<sup>th</sup> and close November 16<sup>th</sup>.

*Thank You*

Comfort Pratt gave the council members gifts to thank them for their dedication and hard work. Gifts included were a Teaching Academy t-shirt, lunch bag, and pen. She intends for these gifts to promote her vision of visibility and impact.

*Chancellor's Council Distinguished Teaching Award*

Comfort Pratt dismissed Brie Sherwin and Mitzi Lauderdale as they have been nominated for this award. Comfort announced that the application closes on October 8<sup>th</sup> and that the selection meeting will take place during the next council meeting on Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

*Provost Council*

Comfort Pratt gave an update from the last Provost Council Meeting. She shared about Stephanie Hart's work with the OnRamps program, David Doerfert's work with SACSOC, the Faculty Senate's work on the Third Year Review O.P., Genevieve Durham DeCesaro's work with faculty parking for commencement, and Suzanne Tapp's report on the Teaching Foundations Workshop for new faculty orientation.

*New Faculty Orientation and Meeting Times*

Suzanne Tapp and Comfort Pratt shared the success of this year's orientation. Suzanne also asked the committee if the orientation might better suit department schedules if the days were changed from Wednesday and Thursday to Thursday and Friday.

The council also discussed the idea of holding more Teaching Academy events and ceremonies in the morning rather than having them all in the afternoon.

**Adjourn:**

Bob McDonald motioned to adjourn the meeting and Nathan Collie seconded.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Molly Jacobs.