

# Teaching Academy Executive Council Minutes January 17, 2014

## **Members Present:**

Jennifer Bard, Shannon Bichard, Kathryn Button, Dominick Casadonte, Peter Dotray, Gary Elbow, Deborah Fowler, Audra Morse, William Pasewark, Suzanne Tapp

## **Members Not Present:**

Gary Bell, Janice Killian, Elizabeth Louden

## **Approval of minutes:**

Minutes from November 1, 2013 were distributed. Jennifer Bard moved that the minutes be approved. Gary Elbow seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **Welcome:**

Jennifer Bard and the other members of the Executive Council welcomed and introduced themselves to the newest member of the Executive Council, Peter Dotray. Peter Dotray took the place of Jeff Johnson as a member of the Executive Council of the Teaching Academy.

## **Announcements:**

### *TeMPO*

Audra Morse announced that a summary report of the TeMPO program was submitted to Patrick Hughes by she and Allison Boye. The program was well received by participants. Audra Morse and Allison Boye asked for feedback from the participants. The participants reportedly liked the requirement to attend events at the TLPDC. There are plans to reduce the required number of events from 3 for mentors (including 1 specific session on providing effective feedback) to 2. A new budget will be adopted for next year. A long term goal of the TeMPO program is to take this novel and new concept and publish the outcomes of the program. Dominick Casadonte asked who funds the program. Audra Morse stated that the Provost's Office and the TLPDC fund the program.

### *TLPDC*

Suzanne Tapp announced that the TLPDC hosted New Faculty Orientation on January 14, 2014. There were 6 new faculty members in attendance. Suzanne Tapp also spoke about the Groundwork Program that was hosted at the TLPDC on January 8<sup>th</sup> through January 10<sup>th</sup>. She explained that the program is a 3 day program that is similar to the TEACH program, but offers opportunities to a broader range of graduate students. Suzanne Tapp announced that the TLPDC will be hosting the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Advancing Teaching and Learning Conference on February 28, 2014 at the Overton Hotel. Dr. George Kuh will be the keynote speaker for the luncheon. There will be 4 morning break-out sessions and 3 afternoon break-out sessions that will be facilitated by various individuals.

## **Report from Chair:**

### *Provost's Council*

Jennifer Bard reported from her attendance at the last Provost's Council meeting. For the 2015 SACSCOC Reaffirmation, 10 teams have been organized. Jennifer suggested that the Teaching Academy should have representation on these teams, and anything that involves teaching.

## **Old Business:**

### *Chancellor's Council Distinguished Teaching Award*

Dominick Casadonte, Janice Killian, and Audra Morse served on a sub-committee responsible for making revisions to the OP, nomination instructions, and rating sheet for the Chancellor's Council Distinguished Teaching Award. The revised documents were distributed. After added discussion and debate during this meeting, it was decided that additional amendments were needed to OP 32.13. Those amendments were made and distributed via email by Audra Morse on January 17, 2014. All approved.

### *Teaching Academy Admission*

A subcommittee chaired by Shannon Bichard (including Jennifer Bard, Dominick Casadonte, Gary Elbow, and Kathryn Button) was established to review Teaching Academy admission criteria, the university definition of faculty, and the possible creation of an honorary status for administrators.

## **New Business:**

### *Plaques for Teaching Awards*

### *"Honorary" Membership Status*

### *Teaching Academy Bylaws*

## **Adjourn**

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly Leigh