Faculty Outreach and Engagement Council Meeting  
Friday, June 26, 2015  
11:00 – 1:00 p.m.  
Dixon Hotel and Conference Center at Auburn University Terrace Room

Members in Attendance

David Riese  Jennifer Kerpelman  Francine Parker  
Linda Shook  Paula Bobrowski  Cheryl Seals  
Susan Hubbard  Jared Russell  PK Raju  
Hope Stockton  Ralph Foster  Kimberly Braxton-Llyod  
Karen Rogers  Chippewa Thomas  
Paul Jugnickel

AGENDA

• Welcome, Introductions, and group photo and lunch by Dr. Chippewa Thomas
  o Last Council meeting of the academic year.  
  o Pictures will be taken at this time at the stair case next to terrace.  
  o Photo will be taken at tentative next meeting – Sept. 4  
  o Photographer - Katey Nelson, Office of Public Service  
  o Meeting Scribe - Amy Chitwood, Center for Governmental Services

• Upcoming meetings (on Fridays - please verify your availability) tentative dates for the 2015-2016 academic year, quarterly meetings
  September 4, 2015 – 1st tentative meeting of the academic year
  December 4, 2015 – very last day of classes on academic calendar
  Go ahead and check availability – want as many council members present as possible for Sept. & Dec. dates
  March 18, 2016
  June 24, 2016

• Information Sharing
  o One member will be retiring and will be Professor Emeritus  
  o Strategic Plan
    ▪ Priority 4 updates will be provided at the July 17th Strategic Implementation meeting  
    ▪ Discussed details at last few meetings  
    ▪ The provost will have an implementation meeting on the 17th  
    ▪ Outreach’s updates will be presented/provided at that meeting  
    ▪ Look forward to having all Outreach programs presented at meetings
  o VPUO department spotlight – Osher Life Long Learning Institute (OLLI at Auburn)
    ▪ Presented by Linda Shook  
    ▪ Started in 1990 – AU Academy of Lifelong Learned, started as part of Outreach until 2007  
    ▪ Audio History created this year with charter members about what they remember  
    ▪ Applied and received in endowment in 2007 & #1 requirement was to change name to OLLI at Auburn  
    ▪ 119 institutes across the country – every state w/ at least 1
- No competition among Institutes
- Part of University Outreach
- Launching updated website in August – link to National Resource Center that will connect to all other programs
- Linked to all other institutes and do programs for older adults (age 50+)
- Many members are still active either working or teaching part-time
- People from all over the spectrum are teaching from the academic setting
- Great place for resources for projects – partnered with many other parts of campus. MPA students, Wireless and Software Engineering Students, Dietician Students.
- Looking forward to 15-16 year and if people have a particular event that would like to present events to OLLI students, you can get involved with them
- New year begins in September and operates on quarter system.
- There is a fee for members for $225 for all events, $25 for social and brown bag events.
- OLLI students can audit Auburn courses
- Questions
  - Kimberly - Don’t do anything with minors – contact Hope Stockton
  - Jennifer Stockton - Linda Shook is the person to contact for partnering purposes
  - PK Raju – Campus in Montgomery now at AUM, AUM campus – can take classes at either but fee schedule is different for each campus
- Taking on lifelong learning is a good way to promote a long life
  - Center for Global Development – AU CEGLO (VPuo and ODMA) – Chippewa Thomas
    - Hear more about at Sept 4th meeting
    - Coordinated by Office of Diversity of Multi Cultural Affairs and office of University Outreach.
    - Elizabeth Ivy Essauah-Quansah will be contacting deans and associate deans for faculty involvement for some work done in Africa
    - Developmental arm of Auburn that has far reaching arms across continents and has particular areas of interest listed on website.
    - Initial emphasis is with establishing partnerships to build capacity in Africa
- Cuba Explorations – October 19-23, 2015 – Center for Governmental Services
  - As of Feb of this year, another delegation went
  - Another opportunity to travel will be in Oct.
  - To further build relations and talk with Faculty at the University in Havana
  - Everyone should have received an email providing more information
  - There are opportunities to provide further engagements with Cuba
  - Want to contribute to the work that is being done in Collaboration with Cuba and the University in Havana
  - Plans are occurring now to determine your spot on the trip and if interested let Outreach and Dr. Thomas know.
  - What is evident is that it still is in development.
  - Pharmacy is an area in which collaboration is desired.
- Invitation is extended to those who might be able to determine that engagement.
- Trying to determine when that engagement will occur and how.
- Visit the CGS’s website for further information

- College and School Outreach and Engagement - Faculty showcase, needs, and concerns (T and P)
  - Web information - ongoing progress
  - Dr. Thomas is in progress of communicating with colleges and schools to make changes on their website.
  - Some colleges and schools are interested in making changes.
  - There is great work being done and not great consistency in telling the story.
  - Nursing has made good changes in telling their story.

- Updates from Colleges or Schools that might be important to share
  - Encouragement of deans to list outreach as part of their assignment. Continue to include – per nursing representative.
  - One of the honorable aspects is the documentation that goes along with it. (Promotion and Tenure)
  - Make a recommendation that that needs to be looked at and possibly changed to make it easier to show work and document – per Jennifer Kepperman.
  - Make it encouraging and not a lock.
  - Dr. Thomas – Section 3 of the Faculty handbook on how to document.
  - Jared Russell – is it possible to get a primer or 1 page exert. With new faculty orientation, it would help to give them some sort of a primer and then be able to contextualize it within schools. Would help to have something to give new faculty.
  - Dr. Thomas – Office of Outreach does provide a Faculty Engagement Guide and provides that information.
  - Dr. Thomas – every college does it differently and not everyone gives same guidance about how it should look
  - Maybe the Council could put something together about how to better universally put those together in terms of best practice.
  - Mr. Foster – it’s there but usually not provided up front
  - If there is a way to reduce it, it might be helpful because it looks like a lot.
  - Cheryl Seals – Outreach scholarship is different that typical scholarship, the fight to differentiate is still happening
  - The Outreach scholarship assignment needs to be determined up front if the faculty member will get credit for it for P&T. Faculties shouldn’t have to feel penalized for doing something that might be outside of frame to be successful.
  - Kimberly – many faculty members don’t want it to be seen that people that are being reached are primarily seen as test subjects.
  - RK Raju – 1 area we might not be good at is teaching the requirements for evaluation to the people that will be doing it and telling them what the expectations are. Is there a way to bring in senior administrators and explaining this to them?
  - Ralph Foster - Is there someway to refine it or clarify it? Let faculty know earlier in their career rather than last minute.
  - David Reise – is there anyway we can focus on the schedule for the retreat in August?
Cheryl Seals - When you scare people off from Outreach, you affect the people we try/want to reach. When we lose that presence of faculty, we lose.

- Competitive Outreach Scholarship Grants
  - Call for Proposals – August 17, 2015
  - Reminder by Monday or Tuesday for the entire faculty for the call of proposals.
  - Tentative proposal submission deadline – October 30, 2015
  - Will continue to have information sessions of the Intramural Grant program leading up to the deadline.

- Outreach Scholarship Symposium in conjunction with Tuskegee Auburn Women’s Leadership Alliance (TAWLA)
  - February, 2016, (tentative location: Auburn University Hotel and Dixon Conference Center) – Working on a keynote.
  - Maybe at the Hotel and Conference Center
  - Try to bring in Collaborative Effort with Tuskegee
  - No symposium will held in February 2017, but an Engaged Scholars Recognition Luncheon

- Announcements and Reminders
  - Beyond Auburn issue – all information below is included
  - Four consecutive year Auburn University receives Federal Honor for Outreach and Community Engagement
  - Auburn University designated an Innovation and Economic Prosperity University by APLU
  - Engagement Scholarship Conference hosted by the East Region: Pennsylvania State University September 27-30, 2015
  - Engagement Scholarship Conference hosted by the North Central Region: University of Nebraska, Omaha tentatively September, 2016
  - Engagement Scholarship Conference in Birmingham, AL hosted by the South Region: Auburn University tentatively September 23-27, 2017 (International Conference) – will hopefully have a good showing by Auburn University from every school and college and University Program.

- Adjourn