

**Faculty Outreach and Engagement Council and
Outreach and Engagement Community of Practice
Bi-Monthly Convening**

REVISED STATEMENTS

FOEC Purpose: in an advisory capacity - champion, advocate, promote, and support Auburn University Outreach, community/public/civic engagement, extension and engaged scholarship carried out by faculty, staff, students, and community partners.

O&E COP Purpose: a collective of Auburn University faculty, staff and students who produce timely, impactful and responsive outreach, community engagement, applied research, extension and engaged scholarship; and who seek to advance the outreach and engagement enterprise, and actively learn how to apply best practices as they interact regularly.

FOEC & COP Joint Purpose: a collective of Auburn University faculty, staff and students who produce, champion, and advise outreach, community engagement, applied research, extension and engaged scholarship; to advance the outreach and engagement enterprise and actively learn how to apply timely, impactful, and responsive best practices as they interact regularly.

**Friday, April 3, 2020
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Via Zoom

AGENDA & NOTES

10:00-10:15 – Call to Order and Update – Dr. Chippewa Thomas, Director, Office of Faculty Engagement

Participants: Don Mulvaney, Linda Gibson-Young, George Flowers, Laura Hill, Ralph Foster, Doris Hill, Viviane Koua, Valarie Thomas, Joan Harrell, Tony Cook, Jon Wong Hur, Felicia Tuggle, Joyce Thomas-Vinson, Cheryl Seals, Giovanna Summerfield, Eva Jean Dubose, Christine Schnittka, Paul John Nichol, Mark Wilson, Elijah Gaddis, Stacey Nickson, Scott Bishop, Mark Barnett, Octavia Tripp, Jason Bryant, Alleah Crawford, Cordelia Brown, Jared Russell, Virginia Davis, Bob Norton, LaKami Baker, Tracey Spates, Nicole Wilson, April Staton, Kimberly Braxton Lloyd, Jennifer Kerpelman, Ya Chi Kou, Venus Hewing, Angie Burke, Sheree Wilson

10:20 – Brief Update on Outreach Covid Mask Initiative – Scott Bishop

- Finished cutting fabric, making mask, have 7,000 to distribute, 125 volunteers
- Still asking about topics or education initiatives, invitation for a webinar, information session that you'd like to develop with OPCE, contact Hope Stockton

10:30 – Advocacy Statement and Letter Draft, discuss and refine

- Advance a conversation that started with the Provost last year, advocating for outreach
- Specific central allocation to support outreach that faculty do, community engagement, publicly engaged scholarship

- Determine who would like to work on six sections, breakout rooms
- Carnegie Foundation, Areas for Improvement, document sent from Gail Gaunt (infrastructure, assessment, community partnerships, academic work of campus, faculty rewards, deliberate and conscious acknowledgement of how community engagement impacts)
- How might we move this forward?

11:00 – Breakout Rooms (25-30mins)

- Small group #1: Grants, recognition through grant activities, recognizing and documenting outreach; data to support the need for outreach
- Small group #2: Outreach Funding, discussed overall the section, outreach funding from two perspectives, dedicated outreach funding as a critical core mission, rephrasing regarding projects that are not “financially self-sustaining” but are critical
- Small group #3: Community Interest, sent notes
- Small group #4: Support for Faculty interest, looked at the wrong report, discussed Carnegie document
- Small group #5: Partnerships, underrepresentation, meaning of diversity, what might the Auburn land grant institution be to the people of Alabama and beyond? -- ensuring that all vulnerable populations are included
- Small group #6: Recognition of Faculty in academic programs—recognize variation between the units, everyone had different experience of how outreach is recognized within departments, need clear definitions, disparities in terminology, workload varies, concern for new faculty have limited percentage for outreach; how outreach is being reported, seems like its underreported because there’s not a systemic way to report across the university

10:45 – Announcements

- Dr. Thomas proposes next meeting and extended amount of time to work
- Hand Sanitizer outreach is under way, over 3,000 bottles distributed
- Dr. Seals, College of Engineering will have same camps, but in virtual delivery
- Journalism and 2.0 Camp will be virtual from June 8-12th

11:00 – Adjourn