

**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, June 26, 2015**

**11:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

**Dixon Hotel and Conference Center at Auburn University Terrace Room**

AGENDA & NOTES

**11:00-11:30 – Introductions and Lunch** - Dr. Chippewa Thomas, Director, Office of Faculty Engagement

- Last Council meeting of the academic year
- Pictures will be taken at this time at the staircase next to terrace
- Photo will be taken at tentative next meeting – Sept. 4
- Photographer - Katey Nelson, Office of Public Service
- Meeting Scribe - Amy Chitwood, Center for Governmental Services

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

**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 1, 2016
- June 24, 2016

### **11:30-12:15 – Information Sharing**

- One member will be retiring and will be Professor Emeritus
- 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 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Outreach's updates will be presented/provided at that meeting
  - Look forward to having all Outreach programs presented at meetings
- VPUO department spotlight – Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI at Auburn)
  - Presented by Linda Shook
  - Started in 1990 – AU Academy of Lifelong Learning, 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 Essamuah-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

**12:15-12:20 – 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..

**12:20-12:25 – 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 honourous 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. Faculty 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.

#### **12:25-12:30 – 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.

#### **12:30-12:35 – 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*

**12:35-1:00 – Announcements & 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.

**1:00 – Adjourn**