

Commission for Adult Learners

General Meeting (2)

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Minutes:

October 23, 2020 Minutes were approved by: Kelly Wolgast, Second by Antone Aboud

- I. New List serves announced for CAL groups.
- II. New Student Members Introduced. Included: (see list)
- III. Hendrick Award update from Patricia Staskiel
 - a. December 14 nomination
 - b. Web site update with description
 - c. Members cannot nominate according to bilaws, but can encourage our colleagues to nominate others
 - d. Strat Com needs our winner by Feb 18, 2021
- IV. Library Updates- Ann Behler
 - a. Work closely with all Librarians at all campuses
 - b. Introduced the new Search Bar – available to anyone!
 - i. Tutoring - peers
 - ii. Peer writing tutors
 - iii. Research support – advanced – on demand workshops available
 - c. Hathi trust digital collection & Emergency Temp. Access available now
 - d. Discussion about how to distribute this important information to students & faculty via librarians, Canvas and keplearning and keepteaching sites
- V. Non-Traditional Learn/Adult Learner Week along with Veterans Day 11/4-11/2020
 - a. AL were able to connect across campuses – this would be good to continue!
 - b. News story highlighted events
 - c. Nov. 7-14 Veteran events. The virtual event was well attended, will do again
 - d. Taking successes from this year and expand and continue for future

- e. We need a better marketing strategy next year (lesson learned)
- VI. Break outs to discuss new language for terms like Freshman, Sophomore, etc.
 - a. Proposed was: 1st year, 2nd year, etc.
 - b. Robust conversations about labeling and describing students to show progression
 - c. Several groups were interested in changing only “freshman” to 1st year
 - d. A point was made that changing just freshman sends the gender message as to why we would be making the change
 - e. Number of credits and semester standing is practical vrs year standing
 - f. Where they are in their program vrs time
 - g. Upper division/lower division more tied to tuition, and this may change
- VII. Committee Reports
 - a. Alek Committee:
 - i. Planning non-trads week, Jeff Warner sent multi-campus zoom
 - ii. Annual AEC being planned for Feb.
 - iii. Please update your AEC, by sending it to Brian if you have a change or addition
 - b. Hendrick Conference Committee:
 - i. All virtual conference date May 10 & 11 (2 half days)
 - ii. Going to executive committee for approval of date and budget
 - iii. Next step recruit speakers and presenters
 - iv. Working with Conferences and Planning
 - c. One Penn State:
 - i. Eugene McFeely said they met and need to gather information from students better
 - ii. Began to look at surveys and review what is current
 - d. SPEC
 - i. Rene Thorton-Ropp met discussed silos and duplicated work
 - ii. Exploring portal or other way to gather information
 - e. AEC:
 - i. See news article for PLA
 - f. Veteran Affairs
 - i. Not available
 - g. Liaisons
 - i. No update, appreciate being here

Adjourned 12:00 noon.

