



Penn State Commission for Adult Learners

General Meeting Notes

Date: 10/20/2021

Time: 10:30am

A. Welcome

Welcome, some cannot join today. Welcome to any AECs and WC student leaders who could attend.

B. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from last meeting Antone Aboud approved, Brian Redmond seconded.

C. Guest Introduction above

D. Hendrick Award Process Update

Brian Redmond the award process has begun. The web site form should be live early next week. He will send this to us. Brian is working on a news story to announce the award to get more applicants and recognition. Deadline: 12/13/2021. Please consider nominating anyone you know.

E. Hendrick Conference Update

Chuck Greggs committee decided to go virtual again this year. Possible dates May 10, 11 or 11, 12. Let Chuck know any conflicting events. Bill Fritz provided a few volunteers to help from WC. Working on agenda. Meeting next week. Budget replenished. Were analyzing fees for presenters.

F. Committee Updates (each month we will rotate who goes first for the updates)

-Adult Learner Engagement (ALEC)

Gina Whalen & Bidy Brooks: Committee met and are trying to engage coordinators. Formalizing the process to make sure we are working with other groups to interface with other committees on CAL.

-Student Persistence, Experience, and Completion (SPEC)

Michele Rice continuing with goals from the survey. Renee is working with Eugene. We are looking for more student voices to gather common themes. We are making a list of possible solutions. Educate different groups. PLA infographic.

-One Penn State Moving Forward

Antone Aboud: They had a meeting yesterday and the priority is to begin planning how to set up focus groups with hundreds willing to participate. Want to put together a pilot focus group and then plan for several others. Will work on solutions and recommendations as a focus of this group. Jeanmarie thought of breaking out WC students from other campuses. Survey results in Teams. Results were reviewed. Survey data is still under CAL review, and sharing will be available after analysis.

G. Student Participant Comments - Tana: No updates.

H. Sponsors' Comments

Clayton Steen, thanked CAL for having him. Excited about closed captioning tip Antone just explained. Hendrick conference fees seem inline. Asked about in person options at Hendrick this yet. Defined that WC is all asynchronous but looking for more opportunities for in person and increased synchronic programming. Chuck replied that Hendrick is being planned remote as it is difficult to navigate hybrid. The Conference wants to move in person in the future. The idea was mentioned for the Hendrick Awards dinner to be done in person prior to conference this year.

I. Announcements Good for the Group

- Check out the CAL backgrounds to use for Zoom. There are several options free to use.
- Are all members on a sub working group for CAL? If not, email Kelly Wolgast to be added to a group.

J. Comments for Good of the Group

- Brian, reminder to consider nominating for Hendrick Award
- Leslie Laing, join us for multicampus AL Week in November. Also, you can still send her your campus/college events.
- Michele, transfer student week link: <https://admissions.psu.edu/ntsw>
- Amanda Lutz Moore, trying to access Teams for AL Survey, and needs approval which Kelly will get done.

Attendees:

Randolph Ingbritsen
Debra Lilly Seidenstricker
Avis Lynn Kunz
Kathy Cavanaugh
Antone John Aboud
Clayton Steen
Kelly Ambrosi Wolgast
Ruth Ann Herstek
Jeffrey Warner
JoAnn Kelly
Brian Francis Redmond
Michele Rice
Matt Nied
Whitney Alicia Zimmerman
Charles T. Greggs
Melissa Jan Kunes
Gina Celeste Whalen
W. Charles Patrick
Amanda Lutz Moore
Ann Hamilton Taylor
Jeanmarie Jacob
Bidly Ann Brooks
Anne Behler
Leslie A Laing
Tana N Mcghee-Wegner
Debbie
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Adjournment 11:28 am.