

Teaching Academy Executive Council Minutes May 1, 2009

Members Present:

Cindy Akers, Jim Brink, Susan Fortney, Lynn Huffman, William Lan, Audra Morse, David Roach, Roman Taraban, Peter Westfall, William Westney

Members Not Present:

Jerry Hudson, Debbie Laverie

Review and approve minutes:

Minutes from April 3, 2009 were distributed. Lynn Huffman moved that the minutes be approved. Cindy Akers seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Outgoing Executive Council members:

Cindy Akers, Jerry Hudson, Lynn Huffman, and William Westney will rotate off of the Executive Council. Roman thanked them for their excellent service to the Teaching Academy. A letter of thanks will be sent to each member with a copy going to their Department Chair, College Dean, and the Provost.

Announcements:

*Thanks to all for a successful DETA reception for the Department of HESS.

*New TA Executive Council members: Bill Dean from the College of Mass Communications and Lora Deahl from the College of Visual and Performing Arts have agreed to serve on the Executive Council. We are waiting on a response from the College of Human Sciences and CASNR candidates. Cindy Akers and Lynn Huffman will contact these members to encourage them to serve.

*New Membership Selection Committee ballots are due May 4, 2009.

*Convocation: Roman will serve as TA representative on stage for all four ceremonies.

Update on TA membership on web: Tina

Ravi Ankam continues to work on updates to the website. Once we have our New Membership Selection Committee vacancies filled, we will start accepting new member applications online.

Update on TA plaques/nameplates:

The committee agreed to have Tina obtain a quote for the original nameplates without pre-drilled attachment holes. We will let everyone attach or display them as they so choose. Roman will contact the Deans about purchasing these nameplates for each TA member, reminding them that the TA does not have a budget.

Update on Advocacy survey:

The survey is ready and will be sent out to all members August 10, 2009.

Update on Burns SoTL conference:

David Roach reported to the committee that Debbie Laverie has a confirmed speaker. He will get the speaker's name and send it to the committee. The date is October 16, 2009 with the New Member Induction Ceremony scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 2009. Tina will check on reserving the Croslin Room for that ceremony.

Other business:

The committee strongly agrees on the importance of good teaching being valued, rewarded and promoted. They would like to seek an invitation to have an Executive Council member sit on the Provost Council. Roman will call Dr. Rob Stewart to ask for such an invitation. The committee would also like to invite Provost Smith to our September Executive Council meeting.

Next meeting: Friday, August 28, 2009 at 12:00 noon, TLTC room 152.

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by Tina Sansom