TAGG Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2016
12:00 PM (EST)

Participants: Kathleen Provinzano, Paul Thomas Clements, Patricia Riccio, Karyn Holt, Brenda Douglass, Elizabeth Tomaszewski, Allen Grant, Kathy Geller, Diane DePew, Leon Vinci, Carol Patton, Kay Swartzwelder, phone participants, Bruce Levine, Laurel

Housekeeping:
An email will be sent every month as a TAGG meeting reminder—it will be coming from Hyacen Putmon and will be sent to faculty university-wide. The Zoom information for the meeting each month is listed below:

https://zoom.us/j/212537197

The meeting minutes will now be housed on the Inspire website and will no longer be emailed. To access the minutes, please go to: http://drexel.edu/inspire/
Click on About, Click on OLC Committees: you will see the minutes listed under the TAGG Committee at the bottom of the page.

Please note that the comment from the last meeting regarding participants using their camera was a suggestion and something we prefer (to try and foster engagement and community) but it is certainly not a requirement to participate in the TAGG meetings. We certainly understand that there are a variety of reasons for members not using their camera – this is an individual decision.

Meeting Minutes:
The meeting began with a representative from each subcommittee providing a status report:

Kathleen (Position Paper): The first meeting was centered on conceptualizing the paper—we envision this as a proactive, powerful statement that is both assertive and welcoming. We plan to begin writing this spring/summer. The final paper is expected to be released this fall. Kathleen will share drafts during the TAGG meetings, as they become available. Committee members and Dr. Karyn Holt will review the paper prior to it being released.

Kay (Video Vignettes): Dr. Aldridge’s office has agreed to provide the resources to create the videos. The overarching theme is “Colleagues do not let colleagues get trapped in cyberspace.”

Beth (Shared Practices): The group met once and decided to be named the Shared Practices Committee. Their work will be focused on how to operationalize meetings for those on the ground and those at a distance—equal not special treatment for those faculty who are not on campus. To do this, the group will develop standards, protocol, etiquette etc. More members are needed for this group.
The work of all three subcommittees is expected to be complete prior to the start of the 2016-2017 academic year.

Paul introduced the idea that common verbiage be used when committee members are responding to event organizers who do not provide an option for faculty at a distance. The hope is that if, as committee members, we consistently respond to organizers with this verbiage, a shift in thinking will occur and provisions will be made for all faculty (regardless of place) to participate in events, meetings etc. Paul and Kathleen will work on this three sentence statement and present it to the committee during the May meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 3, 2016 (12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST).

Submitted by Kathleen Provinzano, April 4, 2016