Board Highlights – November 13, 2012

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ADJUNCT FACULTY:

- We average 295 Adjunct Faculty each year
- In our second year of the Adjunct Advisor, an Adjunct Faculty Newsletter (you have a copy of October & November)
- Continue to update the Adjunct Faculty Resources Web Page format and content
- We have changed the process for application, and now use NEOGOV, which is an online application process which helps those interested to apply for open positions only, and not just submit random applications
- Starting up the academic year includes:
  - Registration/Enrollment Services and monitoring rosters and students
  - Reminders about technology in the classroom
  - Assessment planning
- Conducted a Social Media Survey for Adjunct Faculty as a communication tool between faculty members (see 2013 Highlights below)
- Continue instruction of the Adjunct Faculty, an online, 4-module course, Instruction, Management and Assessment in the Classroom, Fall and spring, and also summer. Have 24 enrolled for fall semester. Provide a special orientation for 15 new Aviation adjunct faculty at CTEC; will repeat in January of 2013 for new AVT instructors

Meetings & Training 2012-13:
AF meetings continue to be held around the District this year – Prescott area-Prescott Valley – CTEC – Chino Valley, and Verde Valley/Sedona, with focus on our accreditation process and our Quality Initiative; student assessment; a variety of ways and methods to manage classes; communicate with students; and enhance instruction. Each meeting contains an “Adjunct Moment”, in which an AF member shares some personal history and success (and failures!) in class. Topic and presenters for this year semester include:

- Stacey Hilton, Dean, Instructional Support & Improvement
- Mike Lange, Marketing & Communications Director
- Dr. Amy Stein on the Quality Initiative Project & our Accreditation
- Mollie Gugler from YC Prescott Library; on faculty services and databases
- Sheri Kinney, Verde Library on faculty services and databases
- Sheila Jarrell, Registrar, with registration policies and enrollment management
- Cathy Gertsch & Linda Evans for SSS/TRIO /VUB Programs
- Trisha Travis for Verde Learning Center
- Members of the SLOA Committee on Accreditation and Assessment
- TELS Staff with lots of technology tips and tricks for classroom management, instruction, and online classes

AF Accomplishments & Awards Fall Semester:


Judy Clothier – MUS - February 14, 2012, wrote & directed a "Prescott Arizona" song for the Centennial Celebration at Elks Opera House, sung by 60 4th graders from throughout the Prescott Public Schools. She wrote lyrics for an upcoming summer production of Elk in the Attic, portions of which will be used in this new musical; and also spent two months as musical director for the Prescott Center for the Arts production of "Carousel."

Dan Cohn – ART - consistently shows in faculty art shows and the YC Library in Prescott.

Todd Conaway – CSA/ART – is working with Cottonwood Oak Creek School District on the new Common Core curriculum.


Ken Krebs – FSA- is a Coordinator for region 4, the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) also a member of IFSAC Congress Degree Assembly.

Bruce Lanning – VPLA - directed CAROUSEL by Rodgers and Hammerstein this past spring for Prescott Center for the Arts. He’s now directed 8 shows for PCA, several with Yavapai College students from our Prescott campus. Bruce has now moved his YC college acting classes from PCA to the YC Prescott Campus.

Andrea (Andy) Lloyd – CTE/Chino – has expanded the Canine Behavior classes to include Level I and Level II. She is working with the Chino Valley community to offer a certificate program in Canine Behavior.

Kathy McCoy – MAT - is a puppy raiser for Canine Companions for Independence, and she has been raising a puppy since September 2011, who comes to class periodically and will attend for the remainder of the semester. She will release the puppy to Canine Companions in February, 2013.

Christy McKnight -PHE obtained her RN in July, 2012.

Susan Mucci – VPLA- Wrote / is teaching a new class this fall: Dream Interpretation PSY 270; has written a book, “Family Systems Workbook”; and co-runs Family Constellations Therapy in Sedona.

Ken Ottinger – ART- recently completed a "Resident Degree Mentor Program" with Prescott College, after a student taking his Art 190 class asked Ken to be her mentor. The student was sent to Mexico to fulfill her program, & Ken critiqued her images. Her trip culminated in a student exhibition which was held in Mexico. Ken introduced “Student and 1 Teacher” art show currently on display at Pet Headquarters in Prescott Valley. Next exhibition will be in November at the International Wine Store next to the Bistro Restaurant in Prescott Lakes. Ken also introduced students to the community - and the community to our future artists-with shows at the Children’s Peace Project dinner & auction, and at the Yavapai Humane Society. Ken also displays consistently in the YC Library

Ronne Roope – COM- Verde Valley Campus, was selected Verde Independent 2012 Reader’s Choice “Best Educator”.

Lori Stuckman – HPER –YC-CTE /Tech Prep Articulation participant in September; elected President for a 2-year term (2012-14) of ADK (Alpha Delta Kappa Educational Honorary Organization for Women Educators); submitted master lesson plans at this Summer’s (August) Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Teacher Leadership Conference.

Dr. Joan Tomoff – SCI/BIO - At request of AZ Board of Regents, she is working with Yavapai County K-8 teachers to upgrade their understanding and teaching of mathematics. She conducted a two-week workshop in June and recently completed the first of three Saturday workshops in which teachers demonstrate new things to help their students learn math and how students are responding.

Cathy Willett – VPLA – ART (Photoshop)- was an artist in the YC Faculty Art Show this August.
**Highlights for 2013**

- Based on a survey last month, we will begin an Adjunct Faculty Facebook page to keep adjuncts in the loop and improve communication on important issues; connect to YC information and deadlines; connect to division information; teaching information, and workshops, and more. Jeri Denniston, who teaches Social Media in Business, will manage Facebook account.

- Will hold Accreditation workshops for Adjunct Faculty via the GIFT Center early Spring Semester.

- Will hold a first-ever evening New Adjunct Faculty Orientation (on Employee Day, January 9).

- Will continue adjunct meetings around the district, but will change the format slightly to accommodate more faculty to attend.

- Will appoint adjunct faculty members to attend Faculty Senate meetings to share pertinent information at our meetings.

**Items for Future Consideration**

1. A tiered pay structure for Adjunct Faculty, similar to full-time, based on longevity and credentials;
2. More participation in shared governance and the Faculty Association;
3. Professional development funding allocated specifically for Adjunct Faculty.

**Other Comments**

Communication is always an issue with part-time faculty, and we work very hard to be ever more inclusive for our Adjunct Faculty. I am appreciative of our Deans, Program Directors, and Administrative Assistants who work diligently to keep me and us in the loop, and support our Adjunct Faculty.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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