

UTS ADT March Meeting
Friday, March 26, 3:30 PM
MINUTES

Zoom link:

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Meeting begins: 3:30pm

Agenda

1. Introduction of new fellows:
 - a. Hector Aguilar, UTSA, by Mary McNaughton-Cassill and Jill Fleuriet
 - b. Alyssa Cavazos, UTRGV, by Art Brownlow and Colin Charlton
 - c. Joanna Gentsch, UTD, by Karen Huxtable-Jester and Jessica Murphy
 - d. Denise Lujan, UTEP, by Beth Brunk-Chavez and John Hadjimarcou
 - e. Brief introductions of “old fellows” to our new group
2. Breakout rooms: What has surprised us the most about teaching this past year?
3. Questions, discussion about membership process
 - a. Diversity, ratios of fellows to size of faculties
 - b. Communicating with the universities
 - c. Number of new fellows per year, possible by-laws change
4. Publications
 - a. Volume II of *Little Orange Book*
 - i. Consider buying and sharing the book
 - b. Plans for capturing ideas from the Conference for *LOB 3*
 - i. ADT members, take notes!
 - ii. Guilio: consider including the voice of graduate students/TA’s learning how to be teachers
 1. Karen: perhaps a handbook to make TA’ing worthwhile in terms of becoming effective teachers
 2. Larry: there are active groups of TA’s – we could plug into those
 3. Diana: perhaps ask grad students who attend conference to reflect on experience
 - iii. Weston: we’ll need contribution waivers, let’s make sure that happens as soon as we ID contributors
5. Events:
 - a. The coming ROTA group and our workshop
 - i. Bob: possible topics (what the pandemic has revealed about teaching and learning) that encourage people to leave thinking how they can be a catalyst on their own campus to promote excellence in teaching
 - ii. Weston: ROTA timeline changed, awarded in November; unclear if November meeting will be in person
 - b. Don’t forget about our Ambassadors Project—maybe in the Spring of 2022?

- i. Jill: we can have a virtual edition but we don't want to preclude the on site visits, which are so important. Let's wait until Summer to see if we have better guidance on when we can do a site visit. Keep the same pilot partners.
 - c. Updates on the Conference
 - i. Hit 500 registration!
 - 1. Rebecca and Weston: next week, we'll have a solution so speakers can still register (issue is that we can't have more than 500 participants)
 - ii. Goals of each day
 - 1. Day 1: culture of teaching and learning on campus – how is it determined, what are the challenges, what's working well, how do we make it better ('culture eats strategy for breakfast'). Think about tangible, practical things they can do improve the culture of their department, college, campus
 - 2. Day 2: DEI change, strategies, interventions (case studies and discussion)
 - 3. Day 3: compassion for faculty and in teaching (what it looks like, how we can encourage it/practice it, create action plans)
 - 4. Teaching and Learning Centers: each TLC will have 15 minutes to present & workshop topics that will preview a summer series
 - 5. Social Hour: online networking at end of each day, fun and games around trivia of teaching (in music, pop culture, travel, art) and poetry
- 6. Officers
 - a. Bob Duke will take over as President in August
 - b. Need nominations for next cycle of officers: send nominations to Cathy (President) and Jill (Sec'y). Self nominations welcome.
- 7. Upcoming meetings:
 - a. April 30th: 3:30pm-5:00pm CST
 - b. May 28th: 3:30pm-5:00pm CST

Adjourn: 5:07pm