

COTA Monthly Meeting

Zoom

March 18, 2024

Present: Samantha Dickey (MDHEWD), David Jones, Robyn Walter, Katelyn Wilson, Mitzi Clayton, Ross Hawkins, Christy Seawall, Jacob Larson, Gavin O'Connor, Helen Hale

Call to Order at 12:33pm by chair Christy Seawall.

Review of January Meeting Meetings – Gavin moves to approve; Katelyn seconds.

Committee Updates

-Welcome new member from Lindenwood University – Jacob Larson, Associate Registrar, Academic Services. Was at the COTA conference.

-Openings – two openings coming up – one independent and one 4-year public – coming up in July

Discussed nomination process and Christy said she and Joie have considered sending out a call for nominations and interests to be due before our next Monthly meeting in April. Samantha asked about reaching out to specific people that might have a vested interest; especially with a certain level of leadership. The various listserv groups mentioned were CAO's, SAO's, ALN, Independent colleges, and attendees of the COTA conference. The email sent out was reviewed and comments made regarding subject line and importance of the body of the text. Gavin is going to propose a better format for the email wording and organization. Discussed the idea of COTA members establishing a collaborative sharedrive to update documents in collaboration. Subject for previous email was "Committee on Transfer and Articulation Vacancy", recommendation for new subject line: "Want to be a driver of state-wide transfer initiatives?"

Currently have 2 people who have shown interest for the 4 year public vacancy.

COTA Conference Debrief – 34 responses to survey – qualitatively, attendees want more presenter options, more for 2-years. Communication teams are in charge of social media – we can ask them to push more information out. Discussion about how to recruit attendees and presentations; and do we need to rethink our goals of the conference.

Gavin mentioned that every institution has a Transfer & Articulation officer; we should meet with that group to discuss what needs to be discussed at conferences, etc. They are listed on: [Committee on Transfer and Articulation | Transfer and Articulation Officers \(mo.gov\)](#) We also have the MRT coordinators [MRTCoordinatorList \(mo.gov\)](#) Do we need to update the lists and then work with the group to help form ideas for conferences and topics. Recommended we add this item to agenda for April to discuss. Samantha shared the state definition information [Missouri Secretary of State: Code of State Regulations \(mo.gov\)](#) for transfer & articulation

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Credit for Prior Learning – David and Robyn presented to the ALN 3.12.24 – David had summarized the survey we sent out and Robyn did a presentation to the ALN group - [Missouri Adult Learner Strategic Plan \(mo.gov\)](#) Strategic plan for state of MO on adult educational attainment. About 60 people are part of the ALN; and 25 or so were active on the group for the presentation. The Powerpoint has also been uploaded to our basecamp. David said there was good response from the ALN for our work in this movement. It was recommended we look at CAEL for promoting recommendations for credit; also take a look at Indiana for midwestern standards for statewide recommendations.

Discussion was held regarding next steps to include Christy meeting with those interested in engaging with COTA, consider inviting someone from Indiana to speak with COTA at the June meeting.

It was mentioned that if Jodie is not interested in serving on COTA, the CAPS program at WashU is very interested in transfer, so there may be someone else with the group that would be good to recruit to join.

Gavin moved to adjourn the meeting at 2pm.