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We are on Social Media!



ANNUAL PROGRAM PLANNING MEETING

By: Chris Dorsten, Vice President for Programs

The Annual OACRAO Program Planning Meeting will be Friday, February 20th, 2015, at Mount Carmel College of Nursing in Columbus. All of the program committees will meet on that day. This includes the Admissions and International Education, Information Systems and Data Management, Professional Development, and Records and Registration committees. They will review the results from the survey of OACRAO members as well as add any additional session ideas they come up with during the meeting. If you have not already completed the survey that was sent by email from Chris Dorsten on Thursday, January 29, please do so now. Here is a <u>link</u> to the survey.

The program committee members will come up with over forty session ideas for the conference this year in Maumee Bay which begins on Wednesday, October 7, 2015, and ends on Friday, October 9, 2015. Throughout the course of the coming year, we will also highlight each of the committees, their membership, and the sessions that they will be hosting at this year's conference. A special thank you to Karen Greene, Director of Records and Registration at Mount Carmel, for coordinating our day!

THANK YOU, CONNIE

By: Cindy Davis, The Ohio State University

Congratulations go out to Connie Goodman on her retirement from The Ohio State University as of February 1. Connie has been a tireless contributor to OACRAO since she first joined us in 1994. She served as President in 2005 and as Co-Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) in both 2001 and 2010. In addition, she was Ohio's representative on the Executive Steering Committee for the 2013 Great Lakes Conference. She served many years as newsletter editor and later as webmaster. Connie has also been very active with AACRAO and served as chair of the Information, Systems and Technology Committee and of the State and Regional Committee. Connie was recognized by OACRAO for all of her contributions with the Ryland Award in 2011 and the Parker Award in 2013. Beyond all of these official duties and accolades, however, many will remember Connie most for always



wearing a smile while enduring yet another short person joke, and for her willingness to always help out with whatever needed to be done. Whether it was an email question from a colleague, or a committee that needed more hands on deck, Connie was always there setting a great example of the best of OACRAO. We wish Connie well as she moves into her next role as full-time grandmother and part-time assistant with her township.

Co-Editor Team

Whitney Ellwood, The Ohio State University (<u>ellwood.26@osu.edu</u>) Mollie Miller, Union Institute & University (<u>mollie.miller@myunion.edu</u>) **WANTED:** Who has a beautiful campus or just an eye for photography? Share your campus beauty shots with us! Submit photos to any co-editor for future newsletters.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

By: Angela Ford, The Ohio State University, and Steven Mentz, The Ohio State University

We want to thank everyone for their support over the past year. The Scholarship Committee raised over \$3000 from donations, silent auction bids, 50/50 ticket sales, and excess OACRAO branded items. We plan on having yet another successful year, but we'll need your help! Here are some of the events to look forward to this year:

GoFundMe

This account is available to raise scholarship funds throughout the year. Updates will be provided through the OACRAO social media sites. The goal is to solicit funds from both inside and outside of the OACRAO community. Link: <u>http://www.gofundme.com/oacrao</u>.

Scholarship Silent Auction

The Scholarship Committee would not run without the ever-so-popular silent auction. We would like donations to be grouped into a basket or other container; however, Steven and I can help build baskets if you receive individual item donations and are not able to make a whole collection of items. Start soliciting now for baskets of goodies from your favorite shop or business.

Silent Auction Buy-It-Now

Did you see all the people "guarding" their silent auction bid sheet last year? With the buy-it-now option it will allow those people to pay the premium price without the stress. This will be the pilot year for this option with hopes that it will help raise additional funds.

Registration Table Sales

The LAC Committee has a surplus of bags, umbrellas and mini padfolios from last year that will be sold at the registration table. Last year these items were sold to raise an additional \$101, and by offering the items earlier we hope to sell out.

50/50 Raffle

The 50/50 raffle is a supplemental way to raise money alongside the silent auction. It is always a bonus when the winner donates a portion or the full half of their winnings!

Please reach out to either one of us if you have any questions or if you want to be a member of this committee.

AACRAO 60 SECOND SURVEY

If you haven't already, please check out a great source of information from AACRAO: the AACRAO 60 Second Survey. This is a quick research tool sent to members that attempts to provide an overview of current practices of members about a particular topic. Past surveys looked at things like Plus/Minus grade use, transcript costs and practices, SEM plan usage, and the format of key admission communications. December's survey was about credit for prior learning practices.

Since the Ohio Board of Regents has made Prior Learning as an area of focus moving forward, these results are very timely as universities look at their own prior learning assessment practices. Just a few highlights from the AACRAO

survey:

83% of respondents give credit for at least one type of prior learning assessment- the most frequent of these is CLEP

47% of respondents give credit on the basis of a "challenge exam"

Of the 17% of respondents who don't award credit for prior learning, nearly one-fifth of those are considering doing so in the future.

Stay tuned for how these issues will play out in Ohio and beyond as the focus on non-traditional sources of learning increases. Check out the other <u>60 Second Surveys</u>.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Jackie Kijanski Manager — Enrollment Center Cuyahoga Community College — Eastern Campus

1. Tell us a little bit about yourself...

I really enjoy my job, which most people don't say. I have a son who just turned 14!!! I love football. I tend to always try to reflect positive energy/happiness at all times.

2. When you were growing up, did you think that you would be working at Tri-C?

No idea. I started coming to college right out of high school at Tri-C. I got a work study job in the Business Office and haven't left yet. I went on to get two Associate degree from Tri-C in Business Administration and in Arts. I eventually got a part time job and started my studies at Ursuline College. I got a Bachelor's degree in Business Management and Marketing. I eventually went to full time and started my Masters program at Tiffin University. I finished that degree, and now I am the Manager of the Enrollment Center at Tri-C.

3. Who is your hero?

My dad.

4. **Do you have, or have you ever had, a nickname?** Just Jackie

5. Favorite movie(s)?

Anything that is scary

6. Favorite sports team(s)?

OSU Football and Carolina Panthers

7. Which OACRAO committees have you served on?

Scholarship Committee and Admissions and International Education Program Committee.

8. What benefits have you gained from belonging to OACRAO?

Definitely the networking

9. What is your favorite OACRAO memory?

Dueling pianos at Salt Fork

10. Where do you see yourself in 5 to 10 years?

Still at Tri-C helping students be successful

11. What do you like to do in your spare time?

Couponing and helping with traveling youth football, wrestling, and basketball teams. I just started this year extreme couponing and have realized to never pay full price for anything.

WHO ELSE IS TALKING?

This new section focuses on "who else is talking?" in higher ed. Click on the picture below to be redirected to the article on the latest happenings in Ohio and around the country that affect what we do every day.



Keeping Higher Ed in Ohio Accessible and Affordable



Ohio Community Colleges to Offer 4-Year Degrees

THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Are MOOC-Takers 'Students'? Not When It Comes to the Feds Protecting Their Data



BOARD OF DIRECTORS UPDATE

By: Deb Benton, OACRAO President

The Board of Directors had a great meeting January 23 at The Ohio State University. We really appreciate the willingness of our colleagues at Ohio State to host us. This enables us to meet at a central location to help save some of the expenses of having face-to-face board meetings. Thanks, Cindy (and Steven) for coordinating.

Our Local Arrangements Committee Co-Chairs, Steven Mentz (The Ohio State University) and Cheryl Gloege (Otterbein University), were able to join us and we had a great conversation about our conference in Maumee Bay. They have some exciting ideas and are planning a great conference. We are also excited that Paul Kyle, Vice President for Leadership and Management Development and AACRAO President Elect will be attending OACRAO. Paul is Dean of Student Services and Success at Johnson County Community College. Please mark your calendars now for October 7-9, 2015, in Maumee Bay.

We were able to congratulate and recognize Connie Goodman for her service as OACRAO webmaster (see related article). Thanks, Connie, for your service and congratulations on your retirement! I am also pleased to announce that Angela Ford, The Ohio State University, has volunteered to be our new webmaster. She has some great ideas for our website. Did you know we are planning to move to a new site? If you have ideas of feedback for our website please send them to Angela at <u>ford.610@osu.edu</u>. Bob Bulow, Ohio University, has also volunteered to help with the website. Thanks, Angela, and Bob.

There were great ideas presented from our scholarship leaders, Angela Ford and Steven Mentz. Did you know you can contribute to the OACRAO scholarship committee year-round? You don't have to wait for the annual conference to make a contribution. Please see related article for ways you can contribute. You can also mail a check to P.O. Box 651, Columbus, Ohio 43216. The contributions are returned in the form of a scholarship to students who work in registrar's, admissions, student services and enrollment management offices.



Maumee Bay State Park



Baltimore, MD Inner Harbor

Finally, don't forget about the AACRAO 101st Annual meeting. It is in Baltimore April 12-15, 2015. Brad Myers, University Registrar, The Ohio State University, is the current AACRAO President. Please don't forget to mark your calendars and register to attend. It will be an outstanding meeting. Carol Jones, Miami University, has planned a great dinner for OACRAO members and guests at Chiappaerlli's (http://www.chiapparellis.com). Be on the lookout for how to make your reservation!

If you have ideas or suggestions for OACRAO, please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>bentond@ohio.edu</u> or 740.593.4260.

I hope to see many of you at the program planning meeting on February 20. Don't forget to carpool!