

ATD Teaching & Learning Sub-team
Monday, January 8, 2018 @ 12:00 p.m.
Laura Lee Room

Present: Dave Kietzmann, Rebecca Doss, Ashley Hargrove, Dr. Ruth Lindemann, Stephanie Loveless, Jen Slavik, Dr. Stefanie Davis, Dr. Wendy Brown

- The next Teaching Excellence Academy is scheduled for Wednesday, January 10 during in-service. The session will focus on reducing textbook costs for students and ways to use open resources in the classroom. The team thanked Dr. Wendy Brown for helping facilitate the session.
- Dr. Brown will share information about the need for open resources from the student perspective. A slide show has been prepared with data that relates textbook costs to retention and student success rates. She will also discuss her experience with transitioning to open resources, including barriers faced along the way.
- Dr. Ruth Lindemann will share information about how the Library can assist faculty with finding and using open resources. She will provide a handout for faculty for further review and follow-up. Dr. Stefanie Davis will share how she now uses open resources in her classes and the difference she has noticed with student performance. Jen Slavik mentioned while she has not moved to completely open resources, she has dramatically reduced textbook costs in her classes by changing book selections. Jen will share this information during the academy session as a possible first step or alternative to using open resources.
- Dr. Brown asked the team has researched or considered creating open pathway degrees. The Teaching & Learning team has not approached this topic but may explore possibilities in the future.
- The evaluation for Wednesday's Teaching Excellence Academy was reviewed. A question has been added that asks faculty to recommend other faculty members to present on future topics for academy sessions. This may help identify faculty using best practices in their classrooms that could possibly facilitate future sessions.
- Next meeting:
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