

CCBP Council Meeting Overview — October 26, 2016

In Attendance: Andrew Richards, Patty Sobecky, Peter Hlebowitsh, Carol Agomo, Samory Pruitt, Elizabeth Hartley, Tonyia Tidline, Diane Kennedy-Jackson, Jane Newman, Christopher Spencer, Waverly Jones, Lindsay Natzel, Ed Mullins, Will Suclupe, Christina Manella, Kelsey Holland, Susan Carvalho, Jim McLean, Michael Lawson, Victoria Shiver, Tania Alameda-Lawson, Dee Cook, Whitney Sewell, Joon Yea Lee, David Albright, Martha Crowther, Safiya George, Heather Pleasants, Jeff Parker, Davis Jackson, Tommie Syx, Jackie Brodsky, John Burgess, Beverly Hawk, Jen Nickelson, Holly Morgan, CeeCee Johnson, Yun Fu, Martha Whitson, Lane McLelland, Karyn Bowen

Following is an outline of items discussed at the October 26, 2016, CCBP Council meeting. Additional information is available online at

ccbp.ua.edu/council-on-community-based-partnerships-holds-second-meeting-of-fall-semester-next-meeting-set-for-february-2017/

Welcome and Highlights

Dr. Peter Hlebowitsh:

- Dr. Hlebowitsh opened the meeting

Dr. Susan Carvalho:

- Discussion of the strategic plan for UA Graduate Education, which includes increasing both the quality and number of graduate students enrolled
- Shared the belief that the CCBP Council can help her with the discussion of the Graduate School's "grand challenges," (reference to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation)
- Discussion of what will draw additional prospective students to UA now more than ever before:
 - Noted the importance of students understanding not only what they would do, but also why they would do it
 - Noted the importance of having activities in place that allow students the opportunity to speak outside of their jargon and learn to talk to real people about what they do
 - Noted that the Graduate School can help teach students about how what they are doing impacts the community
 - Noted that they also hope to create additional graduate program offerings to help raise the enrollment numbers

Dr. Samory Pruitt:

- Update on the Engagement Scholarship Consortium (ESC) Conference:
 - The ESC Board met Sunday evening and Monday prior to the beginning of the conference to approve the ESC Strategic Plan. The plan was approved unanimously
 - A handout was provided that gave a brief update on the conference
 - There were 31 UA delegates in attendance at the conference, which was held in Omaha, Nebraska
 - Key points that will impact UA include:
 - Growing ESC to 100 institutions by 2020 (from the current 38)
 - Goal is to host state and regional conferences in addition to the larger national conference, which could mean hosting more conferences in Alabama. (We are looking to see if there is a way to utilize multi-state grants around the topic of Engaged Scholarship.)

Council on Community-Based Partnerships Updates

- There were no items that needed to be shared with the group
- It was announced that the seed funding and award calls for the CCBP Awards opened October 1

Center for Community-Based Partnerships Updates

Dr. Jim McLean:

- Staffing update: The CCBP is now at full staffing capacity
- Dr. McLean introduced Dr. Holly Morgan, the new Director of Community Education. Dr. Morgan joins us from the UA College of Education. She has previously worked with AMSTI and other community groups

Dr. Holly Morgan:

- Update on Parent Teacher Leadership Academy:
 - They welcomed four school systems to the PTLA October 20
 - There are 50 teachers and 78 parents attending the TLA and PLA, respectively
 - Parent leadership will have six sessions throughout the year; teachers will have four
 - PTLA sessions focus on uniting parents and teachers around the school improvement plans this year
 - The next session for parents will take place November 17
 - The next session for teachers will take place December 1

Dr. Tonyia Tidline:

- Update on student and community engagement
- Dr. Tidline is currently working on growing the SCOPE student organization and working on getting students from various organizations involved in community-engaged research
- Three meetings remain for SCOPE during the fall semester
- The Student Showcase will take place on March 22, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Ferguson Student Center. The theme will be “Brought to You by Students, for Students”
- SCOPE is placing an emphasis on works-in-progress to inspire students on ideas that they can use to work with faculty
- Dean Susan Carvalho has agreed to be a keynote speaker for the Student Showcase, as has Billy Kirkpatrick from West Alabama AIDS Outreach

Engagement Scholarship in Action

Alabama TOP Program

Dr. Tania Alameda-Lawson and Dr. Michael Lawson (with Dr. Andrew P. Richards and student Victoria Shiver):

- Discussion of the Alabama TOP Program:
 - Two fundamental problems of education:
 - The fastest-growing populations in the U.S. are those who are underserved by schools
 - Less than 15 percent of variance in children’s academic achievement outcomes are variants that relate to their school work
 - The challenge: How do we address these non-school factors so that classroom engagement and classroom learning can follow?

- Primary partners are Tuscaloosa One Place, Holt Elementary, UA College of Education, UA Department of Kinesiology, and UA School of Social Work

Dr. David Albright:

Dallas and Marengo Counties Veterans Needs Assessment Program

- This project was funded through the CCBP Council Awards
- The program assessed gaps and opportunities within Dallas and Marengo counties for approximately 4,000 veterans
- Additional support has been received and the program is now being extended to include Wilcox County
- There are two phases:
 - Interviews
 - Focus groups of providers giving service to veterans in the tri-county area
- Report to be generated by December 2016 on Phase 1 findings
- Team is currently on track to submit that report

Upcoming CCBP Council meetings will take place:

- Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. – Capital Hall Training Room
- Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. – Capital Hall Training Room

The Annual CCBP Awards Luncheon will take place Friday, April 14, 2017, with poster presentations at 10:00 a.m. and the luncheon at 11:30 a.m. in the Bryant Conference Center, Sellers Auditorium.

Meeting was adjourned.