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# PACADA

Quarterly Newsletter

## WELCOME

## FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONNECTIONS COMMITTEE

We welcome you to the first quarterly PACADA newsletter. We are excited to get this started. Our intention for this newsletter is not to replace the Academic Advising email. We do not want to repeat information you are already receiving. The intention is to keep you up-to-date on the committees and include some fun and interesting information about our PACADA members. We are also very exciting about Research Bytes from our members in the Research Committee. These will be articles about university life for faculty, staff, and students. The first article is really interesting, informational and has great resources (thank you Anna!).

We want this newsletter to be valuable to you, so please, share any feedback and suggestions that can help us improve.

We will be sending out the newsletters in March, June, September, and December. Keep your eye out for them!

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## STEERING COMMITTEE

The Steering Committee shall have full authority over the affairs of the Association between its meetings, shall represent the Association to the University, shall make recommendations to the Association, shall perform any duties stated in the Bylaws or Standing Rules, and shall act as directed by the Association.

Chair: Nathan Engelberth-Agricultural and Biological Engineering

Vice Chair/Historian: <u>Tiffany Stergar-Health and Human Sciences</u>

Secretary: Chantalle Brown-Biomedical Engineering

**Treasurer:** Danielle Gilbert-Purdue Polytechnic

**Professional Development:** Mandy Chalk-Krannert School of Management and Tyson McFall-Wankat-Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering

**Membership:** <u>Cassie Pendleton-Purdue Polytechnic</u> and <u>Brenda Schroeder-Pharm,</u> <u>Nursing, and Health Sciences</u>

**Communications and Connections:** <u>Yvonne Hardebeck-College of Agriculture</u> and <u>Veronica Rahim-Career Success</u>

**Campus Affairs:** <u>Stephanie Koerner-Krannert School of Management</u> and <u>Ashley Versprille-Health and Human Sciences</u>

**Research:** <u>Jacquelyn Thomas-Miller-College of Education</u> and <u>Allison Staley-Student Success</u>

## **Campus Affairs**

The purpose of the Campus Affairs Committee is to serve the Purdue academic advising community and the Purdue student body by acting as an advocate in any area of the University which impacts the overall student experience, the PACADA membership, and academic advising as a profession.

The Committee sponsors the PACADA Student Services Update twice per academic year, fall and spring. The Update is a venue for faculty and staff to inform the PACADA membership about new programs and initiatives that will influence academic advising and student services. It has also served as a venue for introducing new directors of programs/ departments, and for advisors to provide an overview of their experiences at local, regional, and national conferences. The PACADA membership is invited to attend the meetings which take place once every 4 to 6 weeks during a semester. The first meeting of the semester is spent planning the Update. Subsequent meetings involve discussing advising/student issues, what is happening within the student-services realm locally and nationally, the creation of new programs/departments and how they will impact advising, and best-advising practices, etc... As a result of these discussions it is the hope that "action items" will be generated that need to be addressed at the University level.

Co-Chairs: <u>Stephanie Koerner – Krannert School of Management</u> & <u>Ashley</u> <u>Versprille – Health and Human Sciences</u>

## **Professional Development**

The purpose of the PACADA Professional Development Committee is to promote the individual and corporate professional growth of the membership for the benefit of the advisors, students, and University as a whole.

The Committee sponsors the annual Fall Retreat, schedules speakers for the Annual Business Meeting, sponsors PACADA Presents, hosts a Brown Bag Lunch Series, and also facilitates the Professional Development Grant application and award process. The Fall Retreat is held each September, as an opportunity for PACADA members to come together at a site off campus and reflect upon the changes and updates within advising. Each year has a different theme, with speakers sometimes coming from within the university and sometimes coming from outside the university. PACADA Presents is typically held in April, and has been offered both annually and bi-annually. PACADA Presents provides members an opportunity to practice their presentation skills, share updates from happenings within the university, and a venue to share new and exciting practices within the field of advising. The Brown Bag Lunch Series is held monthly and is an informal way for PACADA members to learn about and discuss current topics/issues in higher education. The Professional Development Grants are awarded each year at the Fall Retreat. The Committee delivers communication to the PACADA community regarding grant opportunities and reviews all applications before awarding grants. The PACADA membership is invited to join the Committee and attend any of our meetings to help plan and facilitate the events and responsibilities. Meetings are held monthly throughout the academic year, and as needed during the summer months. We welcome new ideas and new members

Co-Chairs: <u>Mandy Chalk – Krannert School of Management</u> & <u>Tyson McFall-Wankat – Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering</u>

#### **Information from Professional Development Committee**

Save the Date!
PACADA Presents and Annual Retreat
Tuesday, September 21, 2021
Planning to be in person at the Beck Center!



## Membership

The purpose of the Membership Committee is to serve the Purdue academic advising community by acting as the gatekeeper of professional membership. This includes promoting, establishing, and maintaining membership in the Association.

The Committee maintains current and accurate records of membership, category of members, status of members, and other data deemed necessary. It also promotes and publicizes to increase membership, welcomes new members to the Association, and creates membership packets for all members each year. It recognizes and bestows "Lifetime Colleague" status on retiring members.

The Committee recognizes excellence. It solicits nominations for, selects, and recognizes the PACADA Outstanding Advisor and Outstanding New Professional Awards. It then encourages the selected individuals to submit their nomination materials for national recognition at the NACADA National Conference.

The Committee also coordinates occasional social events for members, and develops recommendations for the Steering Committee concerning eligibility and requirements for membership.

Co-Chairs: <u>Cassie Pendleton – Purdue Polytechnic</u> & <u>Brenda Schroeder – Pharm, Nursing, and Health Sciences</u>

#### Information from the Membership Committee

PACADA Outstanding Academic Advisor and Outstanding New Professional Award Recipients

Each year, the Membership Committee solicits nominations, reviews submissions, and selects recipients of the annual PACADA Outstanding Academic Advisor Award and the Outstanding New Professional Award. The committee also works with the recipients to build and submit a strong application for consideration of national recognition at the NACADA National Convention. The year's recipients are:

Andrew "Andy" Oppy, College of Agriculture: Outstanding Academic Advisor Award Jodie "Jo" Thomas, College of Agriculture: Outstanding New Professional Award

Read about out both of these inspiring professionals and this year's COVID-friendly celebration in the March 1, 2021 edition of Purdue Today.

Know an advisor that deserves recognition? Consider nominating them! The next call for applications will happen in November. For questions about the nomination process, contact brendaschroeder@purdue.edu.

Lifetime Colleague Memberships Bestowed to 2020 Retirees

The Membership Committee recognizes recent retirees who have been a part of PACADA by bestowing them with a Lifetime Colleague Membership to PACADA. The following 2020 retirees have been honored with Lifetime Colleague memberships:

Pat George Nancy Kester Rosemary Ricci Cher Yazvac

## **Communications and Connections**

The purpose of the Committee is to facilitate communication of relevant information among advisors on the Purdue University campus and to local communities and media as appropriate. Our mission is to heighten awareness about the importance of academic advising as a profession, centralize relevant information, and facilitate opportunities for interaction between PACADA members and other student-centered professionals on campus.

The Communication and Connections Committee manages the the website and the mentoring program. Committee members also work together to write news articles and share posts related to advisors' professional and personal lives. The articles and posts can be found under the 'News' link on the PACADA website.

The PACADA membership is invited to join the Communication and Connections Committee at their monthly meetings at any time. The topics of the meetings involve updates on the status articles, website updates, and ideas for future features. Please email either Co-Chair below for further information.

Co-Chairs: <u>Yvonne Hardebeck – College of Agriculture</u> & <u>Veronica Rahim – Career Success</u>

#### **Information from Communication and Connections**

Dates of next meeting: April 5th at 10:00am May 3rd at 10:00am

If you would like to join us, please email Yvonne at hardebey@purdue.edu

## Research

The purpose of the Research Committee shall be to promote research and assessment of advising at Purdue and of the advising profession as a whole.

The committee strives to promote intellectual discovery and advancement of research pertaining to academic advising, higher education, and Purdue University overall. Committee members will engage in discussion regarding current trends, processes and developments along with promoting scholarly inquiry. Monthly brown bag discussions will serve as a forum for advisors to further knowledge and encourage thoughtful dialogue. The committee will also serve as a connection for advisors wishing to conduct research with others across campus, answer questions regarding article development, and promote conditions that empower advisors as contributors of knowledge.

Co-Chairs: <u>Jackie Thomas-Miller – College of Education</u> & <u>Allison</u>
<u>Staley-Student Success</u>

# Research Bytes

Care for Students in Times of COVID

The ongoing changes to university life, including physical distancing, altered classes, and different living/working situations all impact students and our advising conversations. There are many resources available to help us meet students where they are right now, including articles on <a href="Academic Advising Amid Social Distancing">Academic Advising Amid Social Distancing</a> and <a href="Helping College Students Cope With COVID-19">Helping College Students Cope With COVID-19</a>. If you want to draw on a student's <a href="mayStrengths">myStrengths</a>, I recommend reading Krystal Clark's <a href="Strengths-Based Guide to Physical Distancing">Strengths-Based Guide to Physical Distancing</a>, which could help students to leverage their strengths to cope with COVID restrictions.

Academic Counselor Sarah Howard (The Ohio State University) and the <u>AcAdvChat</u> community created an impressive list of resources, <u>Advising in Times of Disruption</u>. This includes guidance about technology, communication, and advising at distance, as well as resources to share with students about finding motivation and online learning. You may also want to explore the <u>Academic Advising Resources in Response to COVID-19</u> NACADA website. It has links to recorded webinars, articles from Academic Advising Today and the NACADA Clearinghouse, as well as related videos, technology tools, and descriptions of best practices. I found Sue Ohlrabo's article "<u>Advising Online Students: Replicating Best Practices of Face-to-Face Advising</u>," especially helpful in figuring out how to translate in-person advising to video, phone, and email conversations.

Many students are struggling with academic and personal situations related to COVID. This guide from the Chronicle of Higher Education describes how feelings of uncertainty and trauma related to the COVID-19 pandemic can impact students' motivation, their approach to coursework, and ways that both faculty and advisors can help. I highly recommend Dr. Mays Imad's webinar, <a href="Irrauma-Informed Pedagogy">Irrauma-Informed Pedagogy</a>, which provides important information about how trauma impacts learning. Her article, <a href="Hope Matters">Hope Matters</a>, provides 10 ways we can support students experiencing trauma and uncertainty during this time.

Anna Ochs
PACADA Research Committee

## **Mentoring Program**

**Upcoming Mentoring Program** 

What type of ship carries paired-professionals who build relationship, share advice, ask questions, and hang out?

MENTORSHIP!!

Now that we have your attention, keep an eye out for information about the new and improved, PACADA Mentoring Program. We want to be the Oprah of mentorship: "And YOU get a mentor and YOU get a mentee!" More details to come for summer application and matching for Fall 2021.



# Hooray! Celebrating Good News in our PACADA Family!

#### Weddings:

Elizabeth Allum (now Pearson), Senior Academic Advisor in School of Industrial Engineering & John Pearson Senior Academic Advisor in Mechanical Engineering, were married on July 3, 2020.



Mandy Chalk, Academic Advisor in Krannert, married David Marquardt on October 3, 2020.



#### Babies:

Meet Brianna Claire Jack born on October 9, 2020. Proud mom is Miranda Jack, Exploratory Studies Advisor.



#### Our Furry Friends:

Leigh Ann Fabriès, Academic Advisor in School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, has Miles "helping" her work and telling her to stop her zoom meetings.



Elizabeth Pearson, Senior Academic Advisor in School of Industrial Engineering & John Pearson, Senior Academic Advisor in Mechanical Engineering adopted Howard (Pembroke Welsh Corgi) in September 2020.



## Our Furry Friends (cont.)

Elizabeth Henning, Academic Advisor in School of Mechanical Engineering, is currently fostering a spunky senior dog from Almost Home Humane Society named Kia. She started fostering approximately a year ago, once we started working from home. Kia is the sweetest thing and the biggest cuddle bug. She loves attention and wants you all to herself, so she would do best as the only animal in the house. She is still looking for her forever home, so if you or someone you know is interested in a loving friend, call AHHS to set up a meet and greet!



Erin Schultz, Senior Academic Advisor in College of Education, adopted Bruno in December 2020.



#### **Grant Winners:**

PACADA's Professional Development Committee would like to recognize the following members for winning a professional development grant this year! Congrats!

·Kelly Wrede, College of Health and Human Sciences, to attend a NACADA National Conference

·Kearstynn Goulette, Purdue Polytechnic, to attend a NACADA National Conference ·Sean Dufault, Division of Summer Session, towards an Ed.D. in Higher Education Leadership

#### **PACADA Challenge:**

T.R. Oneal, Academic Advisor in PPI, just finished donating his 14th gallon of blood. That's 112 pints and impacting around 336 people. He would like to challenge others to "roll up their sleeve" and take 1 hour out of your day to save a life. Are YOU up for the challenge? If you take on this challenge, provide this information to Erin Schultz (emschult@purdue.edu) so that she can share in the next newsletter.

Whatever you do or dream you can do – begin it. Boldness has genius and power and magic in it.

- Johann Wolfgang von Goethe -