

WFLTA Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 3, 2019

6:00 pm Bon Rico Restaurant

- Welcome
- Business
 - State of the Executive Council
 - We need to elect a new President-Elect
 - Consider change to the Presidential term (current 8 year commitment)
 - Allow President to ask for PNCFL Representative if they need to step down or are chosen as WFLTA TOY
 - We need a new Secretary-Treasurer Trainee this year
 - Works with Ian this next year and then has three years as Secretary-Treasurer
 - We need to consider changes to the format of the Executive Council to help with promotion and communication
 - Regional Representatives
 - Following WASC Regions + Community College Representative
 - Duties
 - Find WL teachers in area schools and collect contact information
 - Reach out to those teachers periodically
 - 2020 WFLTA -
 - October 1-3, 2020
 - Back in Casper
 - Keynote Speaker- Jim Wooldridge
 - Advocacy Focus
 - October 2021
 - Continue our 'four corners' rotation unless there is objection
 - Southeast Region
 - Hathaway Changes- Repercussions
 - Small districts are being hit hard.
 - Form to collect data
 - Plan to track data
 - Number of students who lose their scholarship
 - How many students who used language as their elective pathway finish college in 4 years?

- JNCL-NCLS
 - Is anyone interested in being the JNCL-NCLS representative this year?
- Scholarships-
 - Vicki Robinson and Dr. Larson
 - No applicants this year
 - Regional Representatives will help promote and we will have it mentioned on the registration website.
 - Presenter
 - We will look into other payment options for presenters as they receive a discount on registration.
- Credits
 - UW Credit and PTSB credit are being offered again this year.
- Comprehensible Colorado and Wyoming (email copied below)
 - Proposal to host a conference in April
 - Asking WFLTA for support
 - We need to know exactly what support entails, but overall the EC was in favor of helping to promote and communicate

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I'm writing because we have formed a small group of teachers who would like to spearhead the first CocoWyo Conference (Comprehensible Colorado Wyoming.). 2 weeks ago I attended CI Mitten in Michigan. In its first year more than 100 teachers attended. In its second, around 300. This year, more than 500 teachers attended. Stephen Krashen was the keynote speaker. Conference registration was \$95.00. Presenters were all paid. The school district sponsored, collected the money and wrote the checks for expenses and payments to presenters. Conference volunteers publicized, organized and put on the event.

We are approaching the Colorado and Wyoming and Nebraska Foreign Language Associations and asking them to co-sponsor and help publicize. We hope that each state organization will tap their own CI teachers and encourage them to submit sessions proposals. We are not asking the boards to increase their workload by running the conference. We are ready to run it with volunteers. We are asking for help publicizing and co-sponsoring so that we are all putting on a CI Conference together.

We are asking the state organizations to provide a liaison from their boards, to approve the date so that it doesn't conflict and to collaborate with us however works best for them.

Friday and Saturday April 24 and 25, 2020 (first choice based on availability of presenters)

Last year we began organizing, cleared dates with Noah Giesel, the CCFLT President, to make sure they would not conflict with CCFLT dates and the conference was put on the CCFLT website. The hosting school ended up not being able to host because we did not have non-profit status.

We are prepared to pick up where we left off. We have a session proposal submission form, have contacted potential presenters and exhibitors and have chosen potential dates that would not conflict with scheduled events for the three state organizations. We believe the low registration price of CocoWyo will not interfere with registrations to other state level events.

If you decide you are not interested in co-sponsoring and publicizing, we ask that you please support the conference by allowing us to run it knowing that we will do our best to not interfere with or withdraw support at all from your conferences. In addition, we will submit session proposals and/ or come as exhibitors to support your events.

So far we have the following presenters who have been asked to save the April date. Bryce Hedstrom, Stephen Krashen, Jason Fritze, Justin Slocum-Bailey, Sabrina Sebban-Janzcek and Linda Li. TPRS Books has agreed to exhibit and present and Sr. Woolly has been asked. We will continue to ask exhibitors for sponsorship. The intention is to use primarily the excellent resources we have in Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska, as well as to invite other presenters who will attract out of town attendees.

Our small team of organizers are: Ali Eustice and Amy O-Connor (Colorado Springs), Liz Waddick (Dillon Valley), Brittany Welch (Wyoming), Orit Yehezkel (Denver Jewish Day School) and myself.

This is the Facebook page I run:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/IFLTNTPRSCITEACHING/?ref=share>

This is the online journal I am the editor of: www.IJFLT.com

And this is the small Colorado Wyoming Facebook group: Comprehensible Colorado Wyoming, which you are welcome to join.

We have a large network of contacts already, but would like to invite Wyoming and Nebraska and Colorado's language associations to co-sponsor so that we can collaborate. We have asked CCFLT to use their non-profit status and to collect registration money and pay expenses and presenters from that registration money.

CCFLT will meet tomorrow to decide whether or not they will be able to work with us in April, 2020 or would like to wait until 2021, which would mean we would still need a non-profit organization to co-sponsor.

If you would prefer not to participate as a co-sponsor, I hope you will still let us know if we have chosen a date that conflicts with anything you are doing and I will hope to see you at the Nebraska and Wyoming Conferences.

Thanks for considering it!

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2. Need to update executive council member information

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Updated list as of Oct. 6, 2017

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