



# Part-time Faculty Council News and Notes

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**PTFC Meeting**  
**3:30 - 4:45**

**Clendenin Building**  
**Room 1009**

✓ **08-30-2017**

✓ **09-20-2017**

✓ **10-25-2017**

✓ **11-29-2017**

✓ **01-31-2018**

**02-28-2018**

**03-28-2018**

**04-25-2018**



*From the President*

## Academic Olympians

It is February, the season of the heart. The Winter Olympics are being tele-vised, and we are witness to the hearts of champions who strive for excellence. I think it is a good time to reflect on the heart of academic life, teaching and learning. Full-time or part-time, we come to the physical or virtual campus to prepare students for both a real and an unimagined future. It is a Herculean task that requires us to train, to be credentialed, and to influence the future by facilitating the education of those entrusted to us. Certainly, requisite training and experience are two key elements teacher must possess, but, for me, the most important element of a teacher is heart. Successful teachers have a heart for their subject, a heart for teaching and learning, and a heart for people. They are Academic Olympians.



Successful teachers have a heart for their subject. They love the content they teach. They are passionate about their subject and spread that enthusiasm to their students. As content scholars, teachers continue to study in their field to stay current and to deepen their knowledge.



Successful teachers have a heart for teaching and learning. They love the chase as they design learning experiences that open minds and globalize student views. As pedagogical scholars, these teachers seek to expand their repertoire of strategies and tools to engage students in learning.



Successful teachers have a heart for people. From cheery to studious sentries of the profession, teachers love to engage with people and enjoy watching the “Aha” moments when students connect with and manipulate the content. As social scholars, these teachers create the relationship that builds, supports and encourages learning.



Day-by-day and year-by-year, teachers train and practice for the Academic Olympics. They are on stage, scrutinized, and evaluated daily as they practice their craft. Teachers “Go for the Gold” everyday!

**Joanne Lee. President**

# Go for the Gold

## Spotlight

### The Unconference KSU's Online Learning Day

Friday  
February 23, 2018  
10 AM - 4 PM  
KSU Center

Faculty Development  
Free Registration  
Lunch Provided



## Register Now

If you teach or develop online courses at Kennesaw State University, you will want to join us for the annual Unconference. This event is a unique professional learning opportunity including a technology showcase, featured speakers, faculty presentations, and more. The 2018 Unconference will take place February 23, 2018 at the KSU Center. **The event will start at 10:00 am (check in at 9:30 am) and end at 4:00 pm.** Mark your calendars!

Unconference registration is free, and lunch is included. We request that you please register only if you plan to attend, as we will need an accurate head-count for lunch. We look forward to seeing you there!

You can register for the Unconference at: <http://distancelearning.kennesaw.edu/unconference/index.php>

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## SPACE

### Part-Time Faculty Scholarship

CETL is providing a limited amount of scholarships to Part-Time, Adjunct or Limited Term faculty to attend the Symposium for Part-time, Adjunct, and Contingent Educators (SPACE). Being held on Saturday, June 9th, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia at Perimeter. Application Deadline: Monday, April 2, 2018 - 11:59pm

### CETL Teaching Academy for Part-time Faculty: An Opportunity to Build Community and Engage in Development

Studies of part-time faculty reveal that they gain great benefits from two things: community and development. Being able to network with a community of colleagues allows part-time faculty to share resources and experiences, and to find support. Educational development events provide an opportunity for part-time faculty to cultivate their network and build community while also learning more about teaching and learning.

CETL provides a variety of opportunities for part-time faculty to develop their understanding of how learning works and their teaching skills. At CETL events you will also meet other part-time faculty and contribute to the community of teachers on campus. One such event is the Teaching Academy for Part-time Faculty, which is held over spring break, April 2-3, 2018. The Teaching Academy is two full days of interactive workshops that introduce participants to the seven principles of learning put forth in the book, *How Learning Works*. The academy will cover topics such as the science of learning, factors surrounding student motivation, the importance of teaching metacognition, student development theory, and more. Participants will also have the opportunity to work with other part-time faculty members throughout the event.



One more thing . . . Academy participants are compensated for their time with \$750 of additional pay. Applications are currently being accepted through the CETL website at the following link: <https://cetl.kennesaw.edu/faculty-funding/teaching-academy-part-time-faculty>. The Teaching Academy application deadline is March 5, 2018. If you have any questions about the Teaching Academy, the application process, or anything other programs or services, please contact me, Mandy McGrew at [mandymcgrew@kennesaw.edu](mailto:mandymcgrew@kennesaw.edu)

#### Key Points:

- ◆ Part-time faculty benefit from community and professional development
- ◆ Teaching Academy for Part-time Faculty
- ◆ April 2-3, 2018
- ◆ \$750 additional pay for those accepted
- ◆ Competitive application process is currently open: <https://cetl.kennesaw.edu/faculty-funding/teaching-academy-part-time-faculty>
- ◆ Deadline to submit application is March 5, 2018

*“Education is not the filling of a pot but the lighting of a fire.” — W.B. Yeats*

# Draft Minutes

January 31, 2018

- I. **Welcome** – Dr. Joanne Lee called the Part-Time Faculty Council monthly meeting to order at 3:35PM on January 31, 2018 in room 1009 in the KSU Clendenin Building.
- II. **Approval of the Minutes** – The minutes from November 29, 2017 were adopted as posted.
- III. **National Conference and Undergraduate Research** - Dr. Amy Buddie, Director, Office of Undergraduate Research Professor and Professor in the Department of Psychology and Dr. Chris Cornealson shared information on the National Conference and Undergrad Research schedule for April 11, 2019 through April 12, 2019. KSU will host the annual conference, and it will be the largest ever hosted by KSU. Part-time Faculty and students are encouraged to participate, Part-time are invited to help review the student abstracts from various departments. To learn more about the plan, visit the website at <http://research.kennesaw.edu/our/ncur2019.php>. A copy of the PowerPoint presentation presented by Dr. Buddie will be sent to PTFC representatives.
- IV. **President's Report** – Dr. Lee spoke about the importance of collaborative effort to keep all part-time faculty (PTF) apprised of current discussions and activities going on with PTF and PTFC at the local level as well keeping constituents apprised of what is going on at the national level regarding PTF. Dr. Lee expressed the importance of staying updated and accessing faculty senate information by logging in to the Faculty Senate website to read the minutes at <http://facultysenate.kennesaw.edu/meetings/faculty-senate.php>. Dr. Lee also reported that PTFC is a part of the faculty shared governance. The PTFC has been invited to serve on the University Council.
- V. **Work Session on Charter, Bylaws, and University Handbook** – Dr. Lee also discussed the status of the PTFC Charter, Bylaws, and Handbook. Dr. Charles Jackson presented the proposed amendments to the bylaws and university handbook; discussion centered on establishment of a quorum. The PTFC determined that a vote of 50+1 is needed to conduct business. The motions to adopt the amendments as proposed revisions to the bylaws and university handbook revisions for alignment with current operating procedures for PTFC and faculty senate were approved.
- VI. **CETL** – Mandy McGrew will have a column in the monthly newsletter. Mandy reminded PTFC of upcoming programs, SPACE and PTF Teaching Academy. All PTF are encouraged to participate. The SPACE symposium is June 9, and the deadline for application is February 25, 2018. SPACE is a professional development program that PTF can participate in by presenting up to 30-minutes; participants are from around the country. You can visit the CETL website for more information at <https://cetl.kennesaw.edu/events/upcoming>.

## VII. Next Steps

- A. Special guest speakers for future meetings include – Dr. Jim Pope, Dr. Andrew Piper, Dr. Randy Kennedy
- B. PTFC needs a new Parliamentarian
- C. Send a Highlight/Kudo about yourself or a colleague to Becky 2/16
- D. Next Meeting Date 2/28

VIII. Dr. Joanne Lee adjourned the PTFC monthly meeting at 4:45PM.

Minutes submitted by Secretary: Rebecca Simmons

Approved:

*\*Note: Meetings are recorded for accuracy.*

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Minutes are in draft form until approved at next council meeting.