

Research Committee Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2019 – Louisville, KY

Present

Drew Puroway, Chair (2018-2020) University of St. Thomas (2014-2020), Region 6
Sarah Champlin-Scharff, Immediate Past Chair (2016-2018), Harvard University (2010-2020), Region 1
Hilleary Himes, Penn State University (2017-2021), Region 2
Craig McGill, University of South Dakota (2016-2020), Region 6
David Grey, York St John University (2016-2020), International
Leigh Cunningham, Executive Office Liaison
Wendy Troxel, Director, NACADA Research Center, *ad hoc* (past member 2006-2016)

Guests: Teri Farr (AD Rep), Steve Viverios (AD Rep), Ashley Thomas, Elisa Shaffer, Kyle Ross, Billie Streufert, Lydia Kyei-Blankson (Illinois State University, Research Center “Senior Research Fellow”)

Absent

Susan Campbell, University of Southern Maine (2013-2021), Region 1
Steve Schaffling, Syracuse University (2019-2021), Region 1
Quentin Alexander, Longwood University (2017-2019), Region 2
Twaina Harris, Claflin University (2017-2021), Region 3
Shantalea Johns, Wayne State University (2018-2020), Region 5
Shannon Burton, Michigan State University (2011-2019), Region 5
Rhonda Dean-Kyncl, University of Oklahoma (2017-2021), Region 7
Kiana Shiroma, University of Hawai’i at Mānoa (2016-2020), Region 9
Kristan Venegas, University of La Verne (2015-2020), Region 9
Keith Proctor, Brigham Young University (2018-2020), Region 10
Sharon Aiken-Wisniewski, University of Utah (2019-2020), Region 10

Discussion Items

- Drew welcomed those in attendance and thanked them for their service
- Drew congratulated Hilleary for being awarded the Scholarly Inquiry award. He noted that committee members spent time this year on differentiating it from the new Schaffer Award, which focuses more on the author’s accumulated work, while the SI award focuses on the content of a particular article.
- Report on status of **PROJECTS 2018-2019** (from Chair report)
 - Standing work of the Committee: Solicit and review applications for NACADA Research Grants, solicit and review applications for Research Awards, Review potential surveys for membership distribution, plan and organize research opportunities at regional and annual conferences, serve as initial point of contact for research mentoring opportunities, and collaborate with the NACADA Research Center to advance educational opportunities
 - Take efforts to increase research award nominations
 - Continue to build and diversify committee membership (including having all regions represented) – efforts will continue to have every Region represented on the committee (currently missing Regions 4 & 8)
 - Continue refinements of website and enhance web presence in other ways (e.g. social media)
 - Take actions to move forward on the Best of Region Research and/or some way to recognize and bring solid research presentations to wider audiences
- Highlighted GOAL: It is an exciting time for research in the field. Our committee believes that there is the potential to bring some important ideas to the audience of the Annual Conference from researchers who might be otherwise unable to participate (could be due to financial obstacles or due to the competitiveness and type

of session that makes it into the program). We hope to provide both recognition and support for scholarly inquiry presented on the regional level to the annual conference. The desired outcome would be that a wider audience within the association could connect with the new knowledge of the inquiry in ways that further research and practice in the field

- The committee was not able to accomplish this goal this year, and in light of what was learned in the attempt, Drew is wondering whether the group wants to continue to pursue it. The consensus of the group was to table it in this form.
- Drew passed around sheet for volunteers for subcommittee assignments for the coming year. Those who have signed up are:
 - Research Speaker: Drew Puroway (Chair), Steve Schaffling
 - Research grant Reviewers (will need to get to work right away after returning home—Leigh will contact): Drew Puroway (Chair), Craig McGill, Keith Proctor, Hilleary Himes, Sarah Champlin-Scharff, David Grey, Sharon Aiken-Wisniewski, Susan Campbell
 - Research Awards Review (Student Research, Excellence in Scholarly Inquiry, and Research Symposium Scholarship): Drew Puroway (Chair), Craig McGill, Hilleary Himes, Sarah Champlin-Scharff, Sharon Aiken-Wisniewski
 - Common Reading: Steve Schaffling, Craig McGill, Sarah Champlin-Scharff
 - Research Committee reviewed/approved research review: Drew Puroway (Chair), Craig McGill, Keith Proctor
 - Mentoring: Craig McGill, Twaina Harris
 - Website Review:
 - Research Module Scripts Review (assisting Wendy): Craig McGill, Keith Proctor
 - **NEW:** Collaborative Research & Scholarly Inquiry track: Drew Puroway (Chair), Craig McGill, David Grey, Hilleary Himes, Sarah Champlin-Scharff
 - **NEW:** Research Newsletter (assisting Wendy): Steve Schaffling, Keith Proctor, Sarah Champlin-Scharff
- Update from Wendy Troxel, Director, NACADA Research Center
 - Wendy shared the first edition of the Research Newsletter. She would welcome assistance from committee members for moving this forward.
 - She is having conversations with the Faculty Advising Community about taking their discipline-specific research skills into advising research. She feels a #scholarlypaper track at conference would aid this.
 - She will convene a Research Center/Research Committee combined initiative for next year's annual conference. The group will determine what it should be.
- Identify **GOALS 2019-2020** – ideas discussed:
 - How can the committee support ways for potential researchers to meet with current researchers? How do you reach people who think they might be interested in research but aren't quite there yet? Ideas: Lightning rounds? PreCon? Panel? The Research room at conference hasn't seemed to work very well. UKAT does seem to be having more success with this – they have an ongoing process – David can share more on that.