

OSUEA Board Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2017

Roll Call (asterisk indicates voting member): Jenny Rudolph*, Amanda Bielenberg, Tonya Johnson*, Amy Derby*, Lillian Larwood, Donita Godwin*, Sandra Carlson, Marilyn Lesmeister*, Suzi Busler*, Steve Renquist

DID NOT HAVE QUORUM. Board meeting adjourned and moved directly into Extension Annual Conference Planning Committee Meeting.

Jenny clarified that the Keynote speaker for Extension Annual Conference will sign a contract with OSU that goes through the PACS office. Because the contact is with OSU and not the Association we do not need to have a formal board vote on the keynote speaker. We can pass the planning committee / boards preferred speaker on to Extension Administration (Amanda Bielenberg) to follow through with the contract. The only contracts that OSUEA signs are for the Monday BBQ which is offsite at the fairgrounds and also the Esprit de Corps event at the MU (checking on this event).

Jenny presented more details on each of the keynote speaker options. The group discussed each option. Brief summary below:

Tania Luna was recommended as a speaker by Lindsey Shirley based on her book. She could provide a talk on our chosen topic of innovation / engagement. Her personal story as a refugee from Ukraine provides more diversity than some of the other candidates. Her speaking fee is well within our price range.

Peter Gamwell is an associate of Ken Robinson. Robinson was recommended by a couple of people on the conference evaluation survey last year. Only candidate with a background in Education. Topics can speak directly to innovation and creativity. Creating creative learning environments is his specialty. His fee is on the higher end and would need to accept an all-inclusive offer from us because travel would be expensive.

Health Slawner is one of the speakers from the "Start with Why" group which is Simon Sinek speaking and training group. Sinek was recommended by several people on the evaluation survey last year. Their content is a good match for our needs and focuses on the core mission of the organization and innovation as a result of understand the "why" behind what you do. Speaking fee is a good match for our needs.

David Burkus is a speaker and professor of innovation at Oral Roberts University. His message is a lot more "corporate" or business oriented. He was not recommended by any of our colleagues. Marilyn received emails from his speaking group based on solicitations from last year's conference. He is the most expensive speaker.

The group, along with every that responded previously to the information, decided that Heath Slawner and Tania Luna were the best fit. The recommendation of the committee was to pursue both of these speakers and see which is still available for our dates.

Update on Call for Proposals: Jenny shared the results of the conference session survey. The professional development committee lead by Wendy Hein will be looking at that more closely. The Call for Proposals for Peer Reviewed sessions and posters will come out on Monday July 17th. People have 1 month to submit applications.

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Jenny Rudolph
OSUEA President