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NETWORK

PROFESSIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT NETWORK IN HIGHER EDUCATION

May 16, 1983

Dear Colleague:

As POD's Executive Director since the March Core Committee Meeting, I have the pleasant task of bringing you up to date on our Network and of welcoming those of you who have joined recently. There is a lot to cover this first time--the announcement of an Executive Director-Elect, our October annual conference, the March 1983 Core Committee meeting, the next Book of Readings, regional get-togethers, and announcements of other conferences of interest to the membership. My thanks to those of you who made sure there was plenty to say!

1. Selection of Executive Director-Elect

POD's Core Committee has acquired the healthy habit of deciding a year in advance who the next Executive Director will be. Most recently, the Committee was asked to vote among four outstanding candidates--Judy Aubrecht, Ike Morgulis, Bob Pierlioni, and LuAnn Wilkerson. LuAnn Wilkerson has been chosen to head POD for March 1984-March 1985. My congratulations to LuAnn and my thanks to those who ran and demonstrated our organization's vigor!

2. Annual Meeting, October 20-23, 1983, Airlie, Virginia

By now, you should have received a brochure outlining plans for our next annual conference at a wonderful spot--Airlie, Virginia. There will be workshops, a keynote address by Dr. Frank Newman of the University of Rhode Island, and roundtable discussions on a variety of themes that constantly concern each of us in our daily activities--student development, consultation techniques, career patterns, faculty evaluation, institutional and individual research, etc. As always, there will be an emphasis on involving every participant, providing practical training, and giving a platform to ideas that have worked. We hope that you will plan to join us! We especially hope that you will make arrangements soon since Airlie is requiring a very early commitment of rooms from us.

3. March 27 Core Committee Meeting and AAHE Conference

First, I would like to thank Joanne Kurfiss for organizing; Ann Coder, Barbara Florini, Eric Jacobson, and David Wetmore for participating in; and many of you for attending POD's panel at AAHE on "Institutional and Faculty Development for the Computer Era." It was very well attended, reminding all of us that whether we like it or not we will have to prepare for the "computer revolution." Since such efforts give POD very good exposure, we also should start thinking about what we might want to do at AAHE next year.

The Core Committee also held its usual meeting in Washington. Much of the time was taken up by discussion of the Airlie House conference, deciding themes, fees, etc. Bette Erickson, the chair, and her collaborators obviously had things well in hand. The success of the Montebello conference has given them a head start in both the funding and the enthusiasm for this year's effort. We were also reminded of the 1984 conference, set for October 25-28 in Asilomar, California. Since Asilomar is right on the ocean in the beautiful Monterey Peninsula, you may want to start saving your travel funds now (or, rather, as soon as Airlie House is over!) Really, it is a uniquely unspoiled and impressive spot. For 1985, we are still considering locations, including Minneapolis, the Orlando area, Austin or San Antonio in Texas or Holly Branch, Mississippi. If you have strong feelings or suggestions on any of these possiblities, please let me know.

We also discussed membership and agreed that someone besides the Executive Director needed to put their energy into this. Judy Aubrecht of the Kansas State Center for Faculty Development and Evaluation very kindly agreed to take it on for the next two years. Her first project is to get our members' names on a computer so that we can generate up-to-date mailing labels and membership lists. You should be seeing the results of her labors over the next few months. This will also enable us to convert to a quarterly system for dues so that regardless of when you join POD, you will have a full year with us before dues come up again.

Since we're on the subject of dues, I'll mention that with billing procedures hard to time in the past, many members have fallen delinquent only because they didn't know when they last paid. We will shortly be sending out notices to let you know if you are in this category. If in the meantime you could check your own records and bring yourself up to date, however, it would save postage and mailing costs that we could put to better uses.

The D.C. meeting also saw some departures and new arrivals on the Core Committee. John Andrews, Bob Diamond, Peter Seldin, and David Whitcomb all ended their terms; our thanks to them for several years of thoughtful service! Paul Jones, Joe Clark, Bette Erickson, Barbara Florini, Bobbi Helling, and Elmer Sundby commenced their terms; congratulations and best wishes to them!

4. The 1983 Book of Readings

For the first time, POD last year replaced its quarterly journal with a more substantive annual book of readings, To Improve the Academy. Sandy Inglis, Steve Scholl, Mike Davis and I are currently working on a 1983 edition, to be distributed at the time of the annual meeting. Topics to be covered include: student development and learning, educational technology, faculty development and institutional planning; in addition, there will be more speculative or theoretical and "how-to" pieces.

5. Regional Meetings

For the last year or so, not a little through the generosity of Bruce Willats and his colleagues at Dominican College, the POD members in the San Francisco Bay Area have been able to arrange every-three-month gatherings. Each meeting has featured a workshop or discussion theme as well as some open time to build or expand contacts. Those of us in the Bay Area have found

these regional meetings enormously helpful and invite any of you from the rest of the country who might be passing through to join us. Just write me when you're coming and I will be happy to tell you if we have anything scheduled.

We also urge you to consider if you could network enough colleagues in your area to put a group together. POD's computerized system will soon allow us to generate regional listings for anyone interested. If our finances allow, I would also like some of POD's funding to go for regional activities.

Joanne Kurfiss asked me to request that anyone in the West who is interested in student development and the use of writing to improve cognitive development get in touch with her. She would also like to hear from people, regardless of location, who might like to lead a session on student development at Airlie. Joanne's announcement of our conference in the Perry newsletter has drawn quite a response as well!

6. Other Announcements

Dean Osterman asked me to remind you that this summer, June 20-July 8, Oregon State University is conducting its 10th Annual College and University Project (faculty training and development workshop). The Project will again take in twelve outside participants from other institutions. The three-week session is highlighted by preparation in Instructional Design, Feedback Lecture, 4Mat System on learning styles, Micro-computer Literacy, Guided Decision-Making, Test Writing, and many other helpful topics including PSI. Contact Dean N. Osterman, Director of Instructional and Faculty Development, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon 97331, (503)754-4335, for further information.

Joyce Povlacs also brought to my attention that the Third Annual Regional Conference on Instructional/Professional Development Programs will take place at Iowa State University November 3-4. Since the final program is still being planned, anyone interested should contact:

Alvin Kent, Director
Media Resources Center
Pearson Hall
Iowa State University
Ames, Iowa 50011

Finally, I was recently contacted by Stacy Palmer, editor of the "Personal and Professional" column in The Chronicle of Higher Education who would like to do more articles like the recent one on better lecturing tips. If you want to suggest ideas or materials to her, she would welcome them. Her address and phone are:

Stacy Palmer
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1333 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Suite 500
Washington, D.C. 20036
(202) 828-3586

7. POD in the Year Ahead

In closing, I would just like to say a few words about my own goals for POD during the next year. They are modest--to increase the number of people that we reach and the array of services that we are able to offer to our members! We can all help in reaching more people. Please think about colleagues in nearby schools that do our kind of work and may not know about POD yet. At AAHE I met a lot of faculty and some administrators who had been asked to take on faculty development responsibilities and were looking for help. POD is perfect for such people, as well as for us old-timers who want new ideas and a network of colleagues to talk to. If you think of people, please let me know and I will send them brochures. If you have other suggestions for reaching our audience, let Judy Aubrecht and me know.

I am also exploring several ways to increase our services. If any of you knows of a microcomputer needing a home, for example, I'd like to set one up as POD's electronic bulletin board to make our networking a daily reality. I will also have more to say later about a possible annual training institute run by POD. There are no doubt lots of other possibilities and I ask you to think about what could be possible and send it on to me. To contact me or refer people for membership information, please use:

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I also hope that if you find yourself in the Bay Area, you will make plans to come by my office for a visit. Just remember to ask for a map first!

I look forward to seeing you at Airlie.

Regards,

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POD NETWORK

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8th National Conference on Professional and Organizational Development in Higher Education

October 20-23, 1983 • Airlie, Virginia

Registration Form

Keeping track of POD Conference registrations, fees, and arrangements is not a simple matter. You can help us by reading the registration information carefully, providing all the information requested on this form, and making sure you enclose the amounts you intend to enclose. We will be forever grateful...not to mention, less likely to make mistakes with your registration.

NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

INSTITUTION: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____

_____

PHONE: _____

1983-1984 Membership Dues . . . . . .Amount Enclosed: _____

I am enclosing membership dues in the following category:
(please check one)

____ Regular Member, $30.00
____ Graduate Student Member, $15.00
____ 1st Time Conference Member, FREE for one year

Conference Registration Fees . . . . . Amount Enclosed: _____

I am registering for the conference according to the following rates (Please check one):

	Super Saver Paid by July 15th	Regular
____ Member* rates	$70.00	$ 90.00
____ Non-Member rates	95.00	115.00
____ Graduate Student	35.00	45.00
____ Group Discount** (rates per person)	60.00	80.00

*Remember, you may register at "Member" rates if you pay your 1983-84 membership dues before you register, OR if you are attending the POD conference for the first time.

**You are eligible for the "Group Discount" rates if you register with at least two other persons from your institution. Please mail all group members' registrations in the same envelope.

Registration fees (less 30%) will be refunded after the conference, provided written request is postmarked no later than September 15th, 1983.

POD Conference Registration Form cont. NAME: _____

Reservations for Room and Board at Airlie . . . . . Amount Enclosed: _____

	Per Night	Total for 3 Nights
Single occupancy	$63.44	$190.32
Double occupancy	53.04	159.12

You may pay your lodging costs to the POD Network now; or you may make reservations now, but pay your lodging costs directly to Airlie House at the conference. However, please note that AIRLIE HOUSE WILL NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS.

Please reserve a single room for me on the following nights:

____Thursday, October 20th
____Friday, October 21st
____Saturday, October 22nd

Please reserve a double room for me on the following nights:

____Thursday, October 20th
____Friday, October 21st
____Saturday, October 22nd

I have arranged to share a room with: _____

Please assign me to a room with a ____smoker; ____non-smoker.

Ground Transportation . . . . . Amount Enclosed: _____

Between National Airport and Airlie House (one-way fare: $7.00):

On Thursday, October 20th, please reserve a seat on the bus which leaves National at: ____12:30 p.m. ____2:00 p.m.

On Sunday, October 22nd, please reserve a seat on the bus which arrives at National by: ____1:30 p.m. ____3:30 p.m.

Between Dulles International Airport and Airlie (one-way fare: $6.50):

____On Thursday, October 20th, please reserve a seat on the bus which leaves Dulles at 5:30 p.m.

____On Sunday, October 22nd, please reserve a seat on the bus which arrives at Dulles by 3:00 p.m.

____No, I will arrange my own ground transportation.

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

Please make checks payable to POD NETWORK and mail to:

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