



**Council on Academic Affairs  
2020 Summer Meeting, Virtual  
July 10<sup>th</sup>, July 13<sup>th</sup> – July 14<sup>th</sup>**

**July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

1:00-3:30 PM – *New Provost Session*

Moderators:

- Jennifer Cowley, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of North Texas
- Kathy Johnson, Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer, IUPUI
- Rick Miranda, Provost and Executive Vice President, Colorado State University

**July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

12:30 - 2:00 PM – *Effective Assessments for Variable Learning Environments*

In this interactive session, we will consider the challenges associated with traditional course assessment methods, including high-stakes, proctored exams. Drawing from cognitive psychology and the learning sciences, we will emphasize the advantages of alternative methods that provide authentic assessments of student learning. Strategies for leading change, even among the most skeptical of our colleagues, will also be considered.

Panel:

- Jacqueline Huntoon, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Michigan Technological University - **Moderator**
- Kathy Johnson, Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer, IUPUI – **Moderator**
- Kathleen Landy, Associate Director, Center for Teaching Innovation, Cornell University
- Michael Meyer, Director, William G. Jackson Center for Teaching and Learning, Michigan Technological University

2:00 - 2:30 PM – *Break*

2:30 - 4:00 PM – *Navigating the Digital Divide in the Age of Pandemics*

As the COVID-19 pandemic has unfolded, the fault lines in student access to—and facility with—digital learning modes, content and technologies have become more apparent. Much of contemporary higher education is built on the assumption that we are now educating digital natives and that the application of digital technology will close achievement gaps in student success. Whether it is the use of increasingly sophisticated analytics, the adoption of adaptive learning technology, or the use of online content, universities and education technology companies have developed and adopted a wide range of tools designed to make learning possible anytime and anyplace. Yet we know that for many students we serve, broadband availability is uneven, access to adequate equipment may be limited, and a



host of other life pressures may challenge the most motivated student. With increasing reliance on digital tools, how do we deliver on the promise of higher education to every qualified student, regardless of circumstances?

Panel:

- Ed Feser, Provost and Executive Vice President, Oregon State University – **Moderator**
- Joan Lorden, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of North Carolina at Charlotte – **Moderator**
- Jim Ptaszynski, Vice President for Digital Learning, University of North Carolina System Office
- Brian Rathbone, Broadband Planner, Broadband Catalysts
- Jane Smith Patterson, Partner, Broadband Catalysts, Former Executive Director, e-NC Authority

## July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

12:30 - 2:00 PM – *Racial Equity in Fall Semester Planning*

This interview-style session will share views about campus climate and how national issues affect our college communities, and about strategies for speaking and working with our students, faculty, and staff in ways that are positive and leading toward change.

Panel:

- Susan Poser, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of Illinois at Chicago – **Moderator**
- Jonathan Wickert, Provost, Iowa State University – **Moderator**
- Meshea L. Poore, Vice President, Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, West Virginia University
- Carol Sumner, Vice President of the Division of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer, Texas Tech University
- Joe B. Whitehead, Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Bowling Green State University

2:00 - 2:15 PM – *Break*

2:15 - 3:15 PM – *Business Meeting (Government Affairs Presentation)*

- Report on Advisory Committee on Faculty Affairs, Dawn Bratsch-Prince, Associate Provost, Iowa State University
- Government Affairs Presentations
  - Craig Lindwarm, Vice President, Governmental Affairs, APLU
  - Debbie Altenburg, Assistant Vice President, Research Advocacy and Policy, APLU
  - Sophia Magill, Director of Federal Relations, Iowa State University and CGA Liaison to CAA
- Future Virtual Sessions Timeline
- 2020 Annual Meeting – Virtual – November 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> / 1:00 – 4:15 PM ET each day
- 2021 Summer Meeting - University of Illinois at Chicago / Virtual
- 2022 Summer Meeting Location?



3:15 – 3:30 PM – *Break*

3:30 – 5:00 PM – *The Future of Higher Education Post-COVID-19*

The COVID19 crisis that has upended virtually all elements of our society has certainly affected all of our campuses, and provosts have been intimately involved on their campuses in leading the response and immediate adjustments needed to have a successful spring and summer, and plan for a successful fall semester, in a much changed environment. In this session we will try to take our view away from the immediate needs of the 2020-21 academic year, and have a robust discussion about how higher education will change over the next 5-10 years. What will our faculty, our students, our campuses look like, what will they need to look like, and how do we expect the events of 2020 to accelerate the changes that we will all experience?

Panel:

- Rick Miranda, Provost and Executive Vice President, Colorado State University - **Moderator**
- Jennifer Cowley, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of North Texas
- John O'Brien, President and CEO, EDUCAUSE