

**Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages
Advisory Council Meeting and Reception
The Hilton City Center Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Regency Ballroom
Thursday, March 8, 2018
5:00-7:00 pm**

The meeting began at 6:12 p.m. after a game of bingo celebrating the 50 years of CSCTFL.

1. Welcome..... Mary Goodwin
Board Chair Mary Goodwin thanked all who were present for attending the conference
2. Approval of the March 2017 Minutes.....Richard Emch
Pamela Gemmer moved to dispense with the reading of and to accept the minutes from March 9, 2017.
Robert Turner seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. Announcements and Introductions.....Mary Goodwin
 - a. Reminded Advisory Council members of the many benefits their Advisory Council membership.
 - b. Announced Julie Foss from Michigan will be a new Director on the CSCTFL Board.
 - c. Announced Jason Jolley from Missouri will be the new Vice Chair/Chair on the CSCTFL Board.
 - d. Recognized the CSCTFL 2018 Program Chairs, Sarah Shackelford, David Marlow, and Terri Marlow, the CSCTFL 2018 Local Chair, Josh LeGreve, and the WAFLT team for helping to prepare for the conference.
 - e. Recognized the current CSCTFL Board members.
 - f. Announced the Nominating Committee will be seeking candidates for 2019.
4. Executive Director's Report.....Patrick Raven
 - a. Welcomed and thanked members for attending the Advisory Council meeting.
 - b. Thanked the local committee WAFLT and Josh LeGreve for their assistance in providing such a welcoming, well-run conference.
 - c. Recognized Paul Sandrock, ACTFL Director of Education, and ACTFL President Aleidine (Ali) Moeller. Executive Director Patrick Raven expressed reciprocity with ACTFL supporting the regional language organizations and the regional organizations supporting ACTFL.
 - d. Recognized Emily Spinelli, AATSP Executive Director.
 - e. Recognized Jayne Abrate, AATF Executive Director.
 - f. Recognized Keith Cothrun, AATG Executive Director.
 - g. Recognized Bill Rivers, JNCL-NCLIS Executive Director.
 - h. Announced that conference registration is currently 1,230.
 - i. Reported there are 152 Advisory Council members as of the meeting.
 - j. Recognized first time Advisory Council Members.
 - k. Reminded Advisory Council members of their forthcoming renewal notices.
 - l. Thanked OFLA for their invitation to host a joint CSCTFL-OFLA Conference in 2019.
 - m. Executive Director Patrick Raven gave a brief yet thorough overview of the handouts on the table:
 - i. A sheet that contains financial information from July 1, 2017 - February 15, 2018. There is also a summary of financial statements.
 - ii. A sheet that provides a comprehensive overview of historical financial data from 2006 to present.
5. 2018 Conference Report.....Sarah Shackelford, David Marlow, and Terri Marlow
 - a. Thanked attendees for coming and returning from previous conferences.
 - b. Program Chair Sarah Shackelford reported there are a total of 220 sessions and 20 workshops slated for this conference. Please follow #CSCTFL18 on social media.
 - c. Terri Marlow gave a comprehensive overview of the 50th Anniversary Celebration components to honor those in the past and present who have worked to make the Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages the success it has been and continues to be today.
 - d. The 50th Anniversary fund will remain to provide opportunities to learn and grow.
 - e. David Marlow expressed his happiness to be here and encouraged celebration.

6. Recognition..... Mary Goodwin
 - a. Recognized the Advisory Council Members and stated without them, CSCTFL would not exist, as **all** members are responsible for the success of our organization.
 - b. Gave a brief summary of the selection process for the next CSCTFL Executive Director and announced Anne Nerenz will be the CSCTFL Executive Director effective July 1, 2018.
 - c. Recognized CSCTFL Executive Director, Patrick Raven, by saying, “Patrick has worked tirelessly to make sure World Language teachers have access not only to the highest quality and most affordable professional development but also the most friendly.” Since Patrick Raven became the CSCTFL Executive Director in 2003, he has helped CSCTFL achieve countless goals. Notably, the CSCTFL annual conference has been affordable and of high quality professional development during his tenure. Patrick has kept the Central States Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages fiscally sound during hard economic times. Overall, he is leaving CSCTFL in better condition than in which he found it. Patrick was given a gift in appreciation of his outstanding service. Executive Director Patrick Raven expressed his appreciation for Board Chair Mary Goodwin’s kind words and thanked Mary and the Advisory Council members for their gift. Patrick expressed how much CSCTFL has meant to him, not only as Executive Director for the past 16 years, but also in his various roles as conference participant, board director, program chair, and board chair over the past 40 years.
 - d. Recognized Sarah Shackelford for her hard work in preparing this conference.
 - e. Recognized David and Terri Marlow for their hard work in preparing this conference.

7. 2019 Conference.....Alan Turner, Linda Havas, and Cathy Stresing
 - a. Reminded attendees of next year’s location: Columbus, Ohio and expressed their excitement for the conference.
 - b. The theme is *Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges, Promoting Performance*.
 - c. The online proposal form is open until April 15, 2018.
 - d. The Ohio Delegation shared a video highlighting Columbus and Ohio to entice all Advisory Council members to attend the 2019 CSCTFL Conference.

8. Adjournment
 - Chair Mary Goodwin invited all to the Exhibit Hall Opening Gala.

Jane Rauschenberg made a motion to adjourn. Alan Turner seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Richard Emch, Recording Secretary