

The TYFY News

The Two Year First Year Quarterly Newsletter
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Membership Has Its Privileges!

TYFY Needs YOU !

TYFY is committed to supporting the first-year journey for students in two-year college programs. As an inclusive community, we strive to identify, advocate for, and implement best practices that enhance the student experience. Becoming a member supports the TYFY mission and includes individual and institutional benefits.

- **Individual \$50**

- Institutional recognition on social media
- Eligibility to run for a TYFY board position
- Recognition on the TYFY website & newsletter

- **Institutional \$100**

- Recognition in the TYFY Conference program
- Unlimited members from your institution can join TYFY

- **Organizational \$300**

- \$50 Discount off conference table sponsorship

For information on joining the TYFY community, click on the membership tab from the TYFY website.

[TYFY Membership](#)

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New Website Completed

[TYFY Website](#)



Committee Reports

Interested in Joining A Committee?

Click Here: [The Head and Heart of TYFY](#)



Research and Development Chairperson: Sharon Smith

The role of the Research and Development Committee is to be the clearinghouse of all things related to first year students in the two year sector.

Current Projects

- R & D will continue to collaborate with Public Relations to inform or guide topics based on the research collected within the committee.
- Continued discussion to encourage TYFY members to participate in their own research as a means for building the research collection.
- R&D is consistently seeking grant funding opportunities.

Membership Chairperson: Tonya Greene

The Membership Committee accepted new members and discussed specific duties of the committee.

- The committee discussed new membership/conference pricing rates and agreed to move forward with a nominal membership fee tacked on with the conference registration rate. The new membership structure information is listed on the website as well as included in this newsletter.
- The committee discussed the development of the new TYFY website.

Legal and Organizational Governance Chairperson: Derek Moore

The Finance, Audit/Legal and Organizational Governance Committee discussed several key areas:

- Reporting process of finances and the use of Google Docs.
- Working to update our MOU with the National Resource Center (First-Year Experience and Students in Transition).
- Exploring additional partnerships.
- Discussing strategies to seek resources from higher education foundations.
- Identifying processes to outline our operational plan.

Public Relations Chairperson: Thu Washington

The Public Relations Committee discussed ways to increase TYFY presence:

- Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.
- Work with the Membership and Conference Committees to analyze TYFY attendees' information to increase conference attendance next year.

TYFY 2016 Conference

Co-Chairpersons: Stacie Man & Stacy Holliday



Keynote Speakers



Dr. Kay McClenney

Dr. Kay McClenney is a leadership coach for Achieving the Dream and has led a number of national and state-based initiatives. She is founding director and Senior Associate of the Center for Community College Student Engagement at the University of Texas at Austin.



**Oxford Hotel, Denver Colorado
September 22-23**

Join us!

Dr. Dave Urso is the Dean of Academic Affairs at Blue Ridge Community College in Weyers Cave, Virginia. He serves as president of Dynamic Consulting, a firm dedicated to building better nonprofits.



Dr. Dave Urso

TYFY 2016

Conference Sponsors

Innovative Educators

Supporting Academic & Professional Growth In Higher Ed

A TYFY Organizational Member

Roughly eleven years ago, three women working at a community college in Colorado saw a need to create online professional development for two-year institutions. "We realized the needs of two-year institutions were vastly different than that of four-year institutions and no one was addressing that need online." says CEO Valerie Kiesel. Thus, Innovative Educators was established. Today the Innovative Educators' team proudly creates products to serve both faculty & staff as well as students at two-year institutions. We know the two-year environment and believe that helping two-year colleges provide online training, orientation & student success workshops will have a tremendous impact on student persistence.

Innovative Educators can help with:

How To Support Your Students With Online Resources

How To Move Your Orientation Online

Training All Faculty & Staff Online For 1 Flat Fee

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SAVE THE DATE!

- ◆ September 2016—2nd Annual TYFY Conference—**[Register TODAY!](#)**

We Need YOUR Help!

- R & D committee asks members to help build the research repository. Please send any research projects (current, future or past) relating to First Year Students to smithsh14@ecu.edu.
- Help the Membership Committee reach our goal of 400 members! Recruit a new member today!

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Sharing best practices that support first year students at two year colleges