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Committee Report Outs Agenda

- 1) Federal Engagement Working Group Updates**
- 2) Communication Committee Updates**
- 3) Closing Remarks**



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Federal Engagement Working Group

Update on Current Activities

September 15, 2022

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FDP FEWG Initiatives

Purpose: Recommend processes to identify, recruit, engage and sustain meaningful federal partnership at agency and individual levels.

Five Initiatives:

1. Create Federal Liaisons that check-in to solicit federal needs, initiatives, concerns, etc.
2. Seek opportunities to create “pop-up” listening groups
3. Provide Agency Update templates and increase accessibility of agency information on the FDP website
4. Consider levels of Federal Engagement (e.g., “Member” vs “Affiliate” or “Visitor”)
5. Continue to evaluate opportunities to seek meaningful engagement, including working groups, committee participation, formal demonstrations, etc.



FDP FEWG Initiative 1

Initiative #1: Create Federal Liaisons that check-in at least quarterly to solicit federal needs, initiatives, concerns, etc.

- Two institutional liaisons; brief virtual meetings with agency reps 3-6 times per year:
 - Top priorities for meetings and follow-up/debriefs;
 - Emerging issues or policies;
 - Need for listening sessions, pilots, or demonstrations;
 - Burden reduction efforts to showcase
- 1-2 meetings annually between agency reps and FDP leadership to discuss priorities and strategy and exchange feedback



FDP FEWG Initiative 2

Initiative #2: Provide opportunities for “pop-up” listening sessions to address timely topics and initiatives

- Federal reps can communicate/vet ideas with, and solicit feedback from, faculty and administrators as topics arise.
- The FDP community can engage federal agencies on areas of interest/consensus vetted by the FDP throughout the year.
- May allow for fewer, broader versus more individual, isolated discussions, and pre-emptively save time/reduce burden for all
 - Developing process – how requests will be made and vetted
 - Principles for engagement – collegial exchange, mutual benefit, efficient and effective, streamline administrative processes
 - Developing methods for communicating these opportunities



FDP FEWG Initiative 3

Initiative #3: Provide Agency Update templates and increase accessibility to federal information on the FDP website

- Facilitate the presentation of information most germane to all attendees and make it easy to access on the website
 - Support federal presenters and increase uniformity
 - Drafting guidance for agencies
 - Creating a template for sessions slides
 - Discussing methods for featuring FDP/Federal initiatives on the FDP website



Next Steps

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- Drafts for Initiatives 1, 2, and 3 are nearing completion
 - Seeking feedback from relevant committees (e.g., infrastructure and communications)
 - Seek additional feedback from federal agency partners and from FDP leadership
 - Implement activities, processes, and communications
- Continue conversations around initiatives 4 (levels of federal engagement) and 5 (additional opportunities for meaningful engagement)
- **Additional volunteers are welcome!!! – email Sara Pietrzak at spietrzak@nas.edu to join the FEWG and provide your insights**



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Communications Committee

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