

2016 PKD National Professional Development Conference

DaVinci Conference Center 1700 Market Street, Philadelphia PA November 9, 2016

10.00 PKD Constitutional Revision Open Session. This session is designed to provide an overview of the proposed changes to the PKD Constitution.

Presenter: Phillip A. Voight, Gustavus Adolphus College

11.00 PKD Strategic Planning Open Session. This session is designed to provide an overview of PKD's current strategic planning process and to allow audience members to provide input into the emerging PKD strategic Plan.

Presenter: David Bailey, Southwest Baptist University.

12.30 Regional Leadership Within PKD: A New Charge for the Provinces. How can the PKD provincial structure be revitalized to provide more engaging leadership opportunities for students, coaches and faculty? The National Council has reimagined the PKD provincial model and hopes to issue a new charge to those interested in provincial governance, leadership and programming by providing support for provincial best practices and by highlighting models that work.

Presenters: The PKD National Council.

2.00 Macro and Micro: Civically Engaging Forensics Students at Local and National Levels. While creating and performing speeches, students often advance political, social and economic arguments--attempting to solve real-world problems and/or clarify their individual positions and identities. Because of this, participation in forensics can make room for "civic space." Though forensics is often theorized as a laboratory for the development of skills, efforts are being made at the local and national levels to open up the laboratory doors and link those skills to real-world opportunities. This panel will explore a few of these initiatives so as to envision the potential role for creating civic spaces in forensics at both the micro- and macro- level.

Chair: Ryan C. Louis, Ottawa University
Presenter(s): Jennifer Talbert, William Carey University
Nicole Freeman, University of Central Missouri
Timothy Bill, University of Kentucky

3.30 Stories of Birth, Re-Birth, and Evolution: An Historical-Critical Examination of Narratives of Origin in Intercollegiate Forensics. As our forensic activities and organizations continue to evolve, there is value in understanding our origins as a means by which we can better navigate change. This panel examines narratives of origin, re-branding, and evolution of particular forensic organizations. In particular, these papers examine organizational narratives in terms of vision and purpose, along with the congruence and disconnect between mission and practice. The dialogue within this panel offers important perspective that helps frame change and tradition within our community. The panel also helps guide the intent and practice within our community, offering rhetorical insights into how our activity impacts its participants.

Chair and Respondent: Scott Jensen, Webster University

Papers:

Narratives of Origin and Adaptation: Examining the Vision and Practice of Pi Kappa Delta as an Evolving Forensic Organization of Influence
Gina Jensen, Webster University

Whatever Happened to Baby CEDA? Scott Millsap, Columbus State Community College

NFA-LD: A Changing Narrative Susan Millsap, Otterbein University

Speaking to the Masses: IPDA's History Through Walter Fischer's Narrative Paradigm Patrick G. Richey, Middle Tennessee State University