



# School of Communication Sciences and Disorders Alumni Chapter Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017 at 6 p.m.

Chapter Member Attendees: Amanda Mason MS '16, Sara Kolbet MS '15, Sami Richards '09, MS '14, Heidi Regelein MS '14

University Staff Attendees: Rik Lemoncello, Rachel Cadd '12, Helen Sharp

## **Alumni Gathering Evaluation**

What didn't go well at the Christmas Ships Gathering?

- Upfront fee was a bit expensive and may have been prohibitive for some people
- Not many people showed up
- The time of year may have been challenging being too near the Christmas holiday
- Possibly future events will be no-host

What went well at the Christmas Ships Gathering?

- It was a unique event and activity and nice place

## **General Event Ideas and Discussion**

Ideas for events and venues

- Helen proposed having an event that mixes current students with alumni
- Rogue Brewery has rooms that can be reserved at no cost (possible winter activity)
- Portland Parks picnic sites can be reserved as well (possible summer activity)
  - Rachel will have Katy look into reserving dates in July for a Portland Park
- Amanda expressed that there has been an interest in having a class hike
  - Amanda can help to organize it and the alumni office can invite people as an unofficial event, she will send Rachel the details
- Helen mentioned that there would be an accreditation site visit which requires a public meeting and there will be a call out to let people know when that will happen, April 13, 4:30-5:30 is the tentative schedule. They will also be looking for volunteers to take a phone call from them to answer questions.

## **New Committee Proposal Edits**

Rachel will ask Martha about the College of Education Alumni Chapter name change

### **Ideas for New Events and Opportunities**

- There was interest in starting a book/journal club to talk about issues. May be more of a “round robin” to bring up professional issues.
  - Tables at Starbucks and breweries can be reserved free of charge
  - Campus space in Hillsboro or Portland could also be reserved
  - Invitations can be sent via Alumni Relations
- Amanda brought up fundraising and this could be done via Facebook

### **Program Evaluation**

- Helen mentioned that there would be a systematic way of getting feedback about the program- what would be the best way to get information from alumni?
- Email, versus in person, may be a better way to get this information.
- The program also wants to get information back from employers about Pacific graduates and Helen asked how it would be best to get this information.

### **Next Meeting Date**

April 13 at 5:45 p.m. in Forest Grove (location TBD)

- Meeting to follow the School of CSD accreditation site visit