Hello to all administrators, full-time and adjunct faculty, staff, and students of Palm Beach State College. As the new PTLC chair following in the steps of Dr. Matt Klauza, I appreciate the opportunity to work in this capacity and would like to extend a special thanks to Matt for all his help in making the transition and also to Lisa MacMullen for the countless hours of assistance she provides for our committee.

The PTLC team and I would like to encourage you to make some of our spring lecture events a part of your academic schedule. You will not only be inspired by our engaging presentations but also gain valuable professional development credits. If you cannot attend events personally, please encourage your colleagues to get involved and remember that several events are open for student attendance as well. Please recognize that our PTLC program provides you—our excellent PBSC faculty—a wonderful opportunity to present campus-wide lectures on specialized topics that promote faculty development and awareness. Last, as we seek to expand and improve our program in many ways, we need more full-time and adjunct faculty and staff representation from all our departments. If you like what we are doing at PTLC, please consider making our committee the place where you would like to serve.

Have a Successful Spring Term!

Dr. Matt Klauza prepares faculty for tenure process

Please welcome our former PTLC chair Dr. Matt Klauza as our new PBSC faculty developer. Along with the many contributions Matt has made this school year to enhance faculty development, did you know that Matt meets with faculty individually to prepare them for the continuing contract application process? Dr. Klauza also continues to work with PTLC, providing valuable insights and many relevant lectures.

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Generation Z: An Introduction to the New Student Population
- By Douglas Cornwell
With a crowd of 50 faculty and staff in attendance, Professor Sandy DeMauro spoke about Generation Z, providing insights into the characteristics of this generation, the expectations for the future, and strategies for engaging this group. Citing the Corey Seemiller and Meghan Grace book, *Generation Z Goes to College*, DeMauro defined this generation as being those people born 1995 to 2010. Following DeMauro’s excellent presentation, there were many in the audience who joined an informative discussion on the topics discussed.

“Got Your Six” Veterans Sensitivity Training
- By Dr. Rob Jones
On October 5, 2017, Dean Van Williams and Dr. Matt Klauza gave a presentation titled “Got Your Six: Veterans Sensitivity Training.” “Six” is a military term for one’s back, so the presentation focused on how the college community can assist our veterans with challenges they face transitioning to both civilian life and college life. The 36 participants learned various ways to engage veterans in the learning process. Dean Williams and Dr. Klauza also highlighted the struggles that affect some veterans. The session concluded with a Q&A session that focused on bringing sensitivity and empathy toward veterans into the learning environment.

PTLC Lake Worth Events

Feb. 14 — Wed., CE 119
Pedagogy Pearls Sessions
- 2 pm - Professor Nataliya Romensko on “Academically Tired”
- 2:30 pm - Dr. Rob Jones on “Ready for a Close-Up! Webcams and Online Learning”

Feb. 27 — Tues., CE 119
Pedagogy Pearls Sessions
- 2 pm - Dr. Elka Ivanova on “Creating a Lively Online Classroom”
- 2:30 pm - Dr. Matt Klauza on “Small Changes, Big Results: The First Five Minutes”

March 14 — Wed., 2 – 3 pm, CE 119
“Here’s the Scoop!”
- Professor Bridgit Stoffer on “Sexual Assault: Starting the Conversation”

March 21 — Wed., 2 – 3 pm, PSD 108
“Here’s the Scoop!”
- Sharon Daugherty, Sexual Assault Outreach Coordinator for Palm Beach County, discusses “#NoBlurredLines: Understanding Sexual Victimization”

March 28 — Wed., 2 & 2:30pm, CBP103
Pedagogy Pearls Sessions
- Dr. Matt Klauza on “Small Changes, Big Results: Giving Them a Say” and “Small Changes, Big Results: Spacing It Out”

April 4 — Wed., CE 119
Pedagogy Pearls Sessions
- 2 pm - Dr. George Stoupas on “Classroom Behavior Rubrics that Enhance Feedback”
- 2:30 pm – Professor Debbie Beres on “How to Stay Calm When Students Push Your Buttons”

April 10 — Tues., CE119
Pedagogy Pearls Sessions
- 2 pm - Professor Oscar Ruiz on “Small Changes, Big Results: Making Connections”
- 2:30 pm - Dr. Matt Klauza on “Small Changes, Big Results: The Last Five”

April 11 — Wed., 2 – 3 pm, CBP103
“Got Papers?”
- Professor Debbie Beres on “Leadership Skills for Managing Conflict”

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 Earn Professional Development credit by registering for PTLC events on the EmployeeWeb.

Join us for the next PTLC Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 13
2pm in the LLRC Gallery (2nd floor)
New members are always welcome!
How to Speak the Language of Power

- By Steve Brahlek

Lyam Christopher presented "How to Speak the Language of Power" to 46 attendees on Wednesday, October 25, in the LLRC. His presentation focused on the differences between the reptilian, mammalian and the human brain, and how people can become more effective speakers by understanding and using the different parts of their brains.

Don’t miss these Pedagogy Pearls PTLC events …

Dr. Elka Ivanova - “Creating a Lively Online Classroom”
Wed., Feb. 27, 2:00-2:20 pm, CE 119
A common complaint of students in online classes is that they feel alone. In this presentation, explore some ready-to-use solutions that help instructors run efficient interactive classrooms that challenge and enrich students.

Dr. Matt Klauza – “Small Changes, Big Results: The First Five Minutes”
Wed., Feb. 27, 2:30-2:50 pm, CE 119
Join us to explore the effective use of the minutes right after class has started. Find out what one expert (James M. Lang) says and join in the discussion on other effective approaches.

Small Changes, Big Results Series
Based on James M. Lang’s teachings, this 6-part workshop series addresses options for the use of the minutes before class, the first five minutes of class, spacing it out, making connections, giving students a say, and the last five minutes of class. This audience-based discussion will explore effective uses of this time in order to make a big difference in student success. Dr. Matt Klauza and Professor Oscar Ruiz will conduct these Pedagogy Pearls sessions (see the calendar on page 2 for scheduled dates and times).