

Fall 2016 Alumni Task Force Meeting:

Attendees: Jessica Heller, William Johnson, Noah Golaboff, Ercka Hoagland. *Samantha Miller absent as she was double booked during this time.

The Alumni Task Force has added the two alumni members, Tracy Thomas-Card and Caroline Cao as volunteer members of this team.

With the assistance of Tim Helwig's research, the task force has continued to explore and identify other organizations that list information on Alumni foundations/participation. Compiling over 70 in total. The research at this point identifies a small number of organizations with alumni foundations listed with the exception of donation purposes only. We are compiling a list of 20 societies to begin reaching out directly to executive directors with specific questions about alumni involvement, ways of implementation, etc. over the ensuing weeks. Each member of the task force will focus on 3-4 specific societies and be responsible for identifying contact information and gathering that information.

The option of creating an Alumni Foundation was discussed but decided to be unfeasible at this point as it would require a larger effort of Alumni participation in separate boards and implementation. We do recommend that this be factored into a 5-10year plan as the alumni leadership grows and builds upon the mentorship initiative.

The committee is also working together to establish continued specified outreach to targeted alumni. This can include working with the central office to send targeted email blasts to localized alumni about convention opportunities, coordinating with other participants and submissions. Also included would be promotional outreach of "Top 5 Reasons for Alumni to Attend Convention" in an effort to increase attendance at the Spring Annual Convention.