

Subject: December 16 conveners' meeting

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Dear Conveners' and Friends:

I write to you in regard to our December 16 meeting, which I hope you will all be able to attend as scheduled. Our on-line learning project is rapidly developing momentum, and I need your thoughts and your support.

As for momentum, let me mention first that the judicial colloquium following the Santa Fe conference yielded favorable reactions to the development of an on-line curriculum, and I am optimistic that at least some of the states are interested in joining our efforts. Second, my meeting with the Utah Judicial Council's Budget and Finance Committee yesterday was positive: it will put the proposed request for a \$40,000 contribution on the Judicial Council's December 19 agenda, with a recommendation for its approval. If the Council approves the expenditure, which will be more than matched by SUU's in-kind contribution, we must act quickly to get the pieces in place for the beginning course of Module 1, on hydrology. Third, John Thorson and I participated in a well-attended (350 people) ELI webinar today, and the questions posed by our audience suggested interest in our project.

I would like to discuss these developments in greater detail and request that DTW delegate to a small committee the authority to act on its behalf for this project, obtain approval from DTW when necessary, and periodically report on progress. Because in its initial phases this project will proceed quickly, we need to be poised to rapidly make decisions.

I hope to see you soon.

Kate