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President's Message:

FGDLA Members: I want to thank each of you for helping our association continue to grow and increase our opportunities to share learning experiences within the Federal Government this past year.

I see 2014 as a year with even more challenges and barriers to overcome in getting educational and training content to our workforce. More and more instructional material will have to be delivered to our force using different types of media. Whether the training material is being transferred synchronous or asynchronous to our participants we must seek the best media source(s) within each our budgetary restraints. In order for this to occur efficiently, we must work together and share with one another our lesson learned.

FGDLA is perfect for this type of collaboration and provides ideal opportunities to connect with brilliant educators who are experts within the distance learning world. I encourage you to stay involved and help us to make an even larger impact supporting the Federal Government distance learning programs.

~ Alex

Featured Article:

The FGDLA eNews will feature a recent white paper, interesting article or resource for membership. This monthly resource is "The Instructional Media Selection Guide for Distance Learning - Implications for Blended Learning and a Look at Virtual Worlds," by Dr. Jolly Holden, and Dr. Phil Westfall. [Click here to download the guide.](#)

Welcome New FGDLA Members:



- Mark Pettinato - HHS
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Upcoming Events with FGDLA

[FGDLA Call for Papers](#)

The FGDLA is issuing a call for papers supporting the FGDLA track at the 2014 Interactive Learning Technologies Conference Aug 13-15 2014 Hvatt



Regency Reston Hotel, Reston, Virginia. The track focuses on learning technologies in the Federal Government. If you are interested in speaking at the 2014 Conference FGDLA track, [click here to download](#) the 2014 form.

FGDLA General Membership Meeting Online May 8, 2014. The General Membership Meeting is schedule for 7 May 2014 at 2 - 3pm ET. All active members will receive an email prior to our meeting explaining the etool to access the meeting. The first half of the meeting will be dedicated to current FGDLA issues and concerns followed by a learning opportunity delivered by Mr. Randy Palubiak. Randy is a recognized speaker and presenter. He is the author of "Digital Touch Points: How to Gain a Competitive Advantage Using Video and Dynamic Media" and has co-authored two industry books: "Delivery of Media in the Enterprise" and "The BTV/IP Receiver Guide."

[FGDLA 5th Annual Conference](#)

August 14, 2014 Reston, VA

FGDLA Conference is 14 August 2014 at Reston, Virginia at the Hyatt Regency Reston Hotel.

FGDLA has teamed with SALT as a major part of the Interactive Learning Technologies Conference and Exposition. FGDLA members will be presenting at each learning session in the FGDLA Track. This conference is addressing the latest technologies for education and training systems, job performance improvements, and knowledge management. For more conference information and registration (beginning April, [please click here](#), then select Conference then FGDLA Track.

This is our general communication to our membership. Your submissions are welcome; e-mail to fgdla@b2bmediaco.com

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