2016 OFT Convention

THEME: Taking The Lead

**(Draft) AGENDA**

**THURSDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2016**

**8:30 AM - 10:30 AM** **Registration**

**8:45 AM – 9:45 AM Continental Breakfast**

 *Sponsored by OFT and VALIC Financial Advisors, Inc.*

 **New Delegates’ Breakfast**

 *Sponsored by OFT and Berea Federation of Teachers*

**9:00 AM Local Presidents’ Meeting**

 Melissa Cropper, President, Ohio Federation of Teachers

**10:00 AM - 12:00 PM** Opening Session

 **Welcome /** **Pledge of Allegiance**

Shari Obrenski, OFT 1st Vice President, Cleveland Teachers Union

 **Introductions:** New Delegates, OFT Officers/Executive Committee, and OFT Staff

 Shari Obrenski, OFT 1st Vice President, Cleveland Teachers Union

 **Adoption of Rules:** Lee Black, OFT 2nd Vice President, Cincinnati Federation of Teachers

 **State of the Union:** Melissa Cropper, President, Ohio Federation of Teachers

 **Committee Meetings**

 **\***See your binder [Committee Information tab] for assignment and location

**12:00 PM - 4:30 PM** **Friend of Public Education Awards**

 **Lunch with Guest Speaker:** Dana Goldstein, Author of *The Teacher Wars*

 **Discussion with Invited Guests**

 **Registration / Break**

 **Meeting Debrief**

 **Using Share My Lesson for Membership Engagement**

(Giveaway: one HUE flexible HD classroom camera with built-in microphone. Must be present to win)

 **Taking the Lead on Mobilizing Members**

 panel: Cleveland, Lordstown, and Toledo

 **Preliminary Report: Credentials Committee**

 **Directions for Nomination**

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**4:30 PM - 6:00 PM** **Resume Committee Meetings, if needed**

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2016**

**8:00 AM – 8:30 AM Registration**

**8:30 AM – 11:15 AM** General Session

 **Overview of Agenda/Purpose of Day**

 **Mooney Scholars**

 **Reports -** Credentials Committee, Nominations and Elections Committee, Constitutional Amendments Committee, and Standing Committees

 **Update on ESSA:** Melissa Cropper, President, Ohio Federation of Teachers

 **Building Local Capacity/Autonomy**

John McDonald,President of Henry Ford Community College, AFT Vice President

 **Taking the Lead on Membership Engagement** (Challenges/Successes)

panel: Berea, Cincinnati, Newton Falls, and Oregon City

**11:15 PM – 12:45 PM** **Lunch On Your Own**

**12:45 PM – 4:30 PM** General Session

 **ULI Announcement**

  **Reports -** Standing Committees

 **Dr. Lorretta Johnson**, AFT Secretary Treasurer

 **Political Overview:** Tim Burga, President, Ohio AFL-CIO

 Darold Johnson, Director, OFT Legislation and Political Action

 Eric Rosso, AFT Political Project Staff

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 **Breakout Sessions**

Taking the Lead in…

* teacher evaluations/testing
* racial equity
* career tech education
* discipline policy
* professional development
* communications
* political work

**4:30 PM Return Ballots**

**6:00 PM OFT Awards Banquet (Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM)**

**9:00 PM** **Party with Band:** 3-Wheel Drive

 *Band sponsored by OFT and OFT Staff Union*

## SATURDAY FEBRUARY 27, 2016

**9:00 AM - 10:45 AM COPE** **Breakfast**

 **Report**: Brian Kessler, Treasurer, Ohio Federation of Teachers

 **Remaining Committee Reports**

 **Moment of Silence**

 **Installation of Officers**

 **Drawings** (must be present to win)

Mooney Baskets

 **Adjournment**

**11:00 AM OFT Executive Council Meeting**