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President's Message

To our distance learning experts: I wanted to share a few words relating to our association. The Federal Government distance learning community is making a huge impact on delivering education and training programs to its customers despite the many obstacles that are put before it. As part of this community, I applaud the many of you for your innovation and courage to promote effective distance learning programs to improve efficiency and reduce the cost to the taxpayers to meet your organization's education and training needs. And this is why our association exists: to provide an avenue for you, our Federal Government distance learning teammates, to share and leverage existing technologies and instructional media to support your mission.

I would also like to brag about the members of your FGDLA Board of Directors and all the hard work they have done over the past year. They are not only maintaining and improving our ongoing outreach to share teaching strategies and technology best practices, but they also secured an excellent venue to host our 2015 FGDLA Annual Conference along with our Recognition and Awards Program. Please note that the FGDLA Annual Conference will be in conjunction with the 2015 Government Video Expo in Washington DC this December. See below for additional details.

Thanks for all you do each and every day to serve our government. I look forward to the opportunity of sharing great ideas in distance learning, and to recognize the excellent work of so many of you!

Alex

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Our Highly-Coveted Awards . . .



Display of our awards at a previous conference with a few of our board members

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Upcoming Events



December 1-3

Join the FGDLA at the 2015 Government Video Conference and EXPO held at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, D.C. The FGDLA is hosting a day-long seminar on Video Supporting Distance Learning in the Federal Government. The GV EXPO is the East Coast's largest technology event designed for video, broadcast and AV professionals and features a full exhibit floor, numerous training options, free seminars, keynotes, panel discussions, networking opportunities. In addition to the FGDLA sessions, the FGDLA will feature a live, fully interactive HD video link of a virtual tour of the U.S. Air Force's Air Technology Network (ATN) video origination studio located at the Air Force Institute of Technology, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH. During this engaging and interactive tour, attendees will be able to view the essential and integrated video components that support the live delivery of distance learning programs originating from 13 remote video origination studios throughout the U.S. in support of the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) and Department of Defense (DOD) Medical Interagency Satellite Training (MIST) program.

FGDLA Sessions at the 2015 Government Conference & Expo

- Video—A Powerful Enabler of Government Business Strategy for Communications and Workplace Learning Presenter: Randy Palubiak, Treasurer, FGDLA, and President, Enliten Management Group
- Training and Education within the Workplace of the Future Today! Presenter: Russ Colbert, VP Corporate, FGDLA, and U.S. Federal Government Market Director, Polycom
- The Defense Education & Training Network An Interactive, Satellite-Based HDTV Network Used for Distance Learning -Presenter: *Dr. Philip Westfall, Dept. of the Air Force, Director, DETN*
- Skype for Business Government Training Applications Presenter: Walter Nichols, Director Unified Communications, Microsoft Federal

The FGDLA 2015 Awards will presented to the winners on FGDLA members on December 2nd, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in Room 202B. By invitation only—so stop buy our booth, 445, to pick up your invitation!



November 9 -13, 2015

During NDLW, all USDLA sectors including Pre-K-12, Higher Education, Corporate, Government/Military and Telehealth will educate their constituents on the amazing growth in distance learning and showcase their accomplishments.