For the Academic Advancement Network, 2016-17 has been defined by conversation.
We conversed with the foundational ideas of the Office of Faculty and Organizational Development.
We took a new name to signify our commitment to all academics of every rank, position, and career type.
Our leaders met with stakeholders throughout the university to share vision and invite collaboration.
In Orientation, we welcomed academics to the table,
connecting them with people and resources.
We offered classic workshops

From Associate Professor to Professor: PRODUCTIVE DECISION-MAKING AT MID-CAREER
February 23, 2017, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. | MSU Union, Ballroom

SURVIVE AND THRIVE IN THE MSU TENURE SYSTEM
FEBRUARY 23, 2017, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. | MSU Union, Ballroom
...and included more in the conversation. Survive and Thrive was offered to Academic Specialists.
for the first time ever.
We collectively envisioned teaching and learning with excellence and inclusion
in seminars,

Promotion and Prevention:
Exploring the Nuances of Academic Integrity in the Classroom
Thursday, September 29, 9:45 – 11:30 a.m.

SAVING TIME ADDRESSING VISAs THROUGH UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR LEARNING (UDL)
workshops,
discussions,
and cohorts of fellows.
We collaborated to plan a conference featuring MSU educators.
We reimagined the later academic life

TAKING THE “TABOO” OUT OF RETIREMENT:
Reimagining Later Academic Life
March 22, 2017, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., The Henry Center
with recognized academic career scholars,
in break-out groups,
participant questions,
and in the context of MSU.
We encouraged productive conversations between mentees and mentors.
In ideation sessions we asked for feedback from academics in different career stages.
MSU leaders shared land-grant values

Provost Youatt: Land-grant means you don't need to negotiate your way in--you belong here because it's yours. Inspiring inclusion.

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and those of civil discourse.

“Ideas should have rough edges. People should not.”
MSU President Lou Anna K. Simon
We learned EVPAS Satish Udpa is articulating a visionary future with collaborators.
Dean Christopher Long shared how to enter a broader public conversation.
Ford futurist Sheryl Connelly taught us to dialogue with others to take better risks,
and Brian Uzzi taught us about influential networks of people to advance ideas.
Together we created new modes of meeting to discuss issues facing MSU.
Our dialogues with you have enriched and informed the AAN. Thank you!
It takes many to support the more than 5,500 academics here at MSU.
Here are some of our collaborators:
Dialogue with us as you advance your career!