DELTA KAPPA GAMMA Iceland Spring Conference -Held at Iðusalur, Lækjargötu May 9th 2015

Being connected

... Sources of School Development and creative teaching and learning Methods.

9:30 - 10:00 Registration and Coffee

10:00 - 10:15 Opening Ceremonies

10:15 – 11:00 Helping Student Achievement Through Music

Tamyra Burnett-Tellses is a music teacher from Florida. She has presented professional development sessions in a variety of subjects throughout the United States as a teacher and educational manager. Currently she resides in Sweden where she is a member of management for a bilingual school. In addition she has taken part in policy formulation on art education in Florida. Tamyra will discuss how to creatively connect music and learning to read

11:00 – 11:30 "The highest Level of Culture". Drama in Icelandic Schools.

Vigdis Jakobsdóttir is a director and head of drama at The Arts University of Iceland. Although drama has become a fully-fledged subject in the new national curriculum of Iceland, it still has a long way to go to get a strong hold in the Icelandic school system. However, the future possibilities of the subject are great as it integrates not only all the arts but also creates opportunities for students to experience democratic decision-making, co-operation and communication. But is the Icelandic school system ready for drama?

11:30 – 12:00 The Connection between Art and Mathematics.

Frímann Kerúlf is an artist and physicist. He has taught mathematics both at the University of Iceland and Reykjavík art school. He will discuss how to teach mathematics to suit the needs of art and design.

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 14:15 Teaching Methods in compulsory Schools in the 21st Century.

Professor Kristín Jónsdóttir and Associate Professor Anna Kristín Sigurðardóttir, at the University of Iceland, faculty of education will present the results from a recent study. The main conclusion drawn was that progress and job satisfaction correlate strongly with co-operation and team-teaching.

14:15 - 14:30 Coffee

14:30 – 15:00 Experiences from the Field.

Rakel G. Magnúsdóttir digital literacy teacher and advisor will discuss some projects where technology has been used to link together different subjects and provide opportunities for creative teaching.

15:00 – 16:00 Two Workshops.

Rakel and Tamyra offer participants the opportunity to experience the methods that they discussed in their presentations.