

*Fall, 2017*

*Dear Colleagues,*

*It is my privilege to greet you as the Director of Project AERO beginning July 2017. I am grateful to the leadership that Naomi Woolsey provided AERO for many years and to assume the Directorship to carry AERO into the future.*

*Almost 20 years ago, a group of educators representing schools from every region of the world met to consider how to bring the best of standards-based education to American/international schools. From that humble beginning, "Project AERO: Common Core Plus" has grown in both richness and reach, now including the participation of thousands of teachers and administrators working in hundreds of schools. A highlight of AERO has been its annual week-long AERO Summer Institute which, over the years, has served more than 1500 teachers.*

*The AERO Summer Institute 2017 was another resounding success. Over 100 participants representing 46 schools from 37 countries gathered in suburban Washington, D.C. to participate in week-long workshops in Math, Science, English/Language Arts, World Languages, Social Studies and Educational*

*Leadership.*

*We are now planning for next year's "AERO Summer Institute", which will be hosted by Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia, from June 24<sup>th</sup> through June 29<sup>th</sup>. Once again, we'll be offering workshops in the same areas as this past summer. More information will be posted on this website in the coming months and applications will be available in January. We invite you to consider being part of this outstanding professional learning experience.*

*With best wishes for a successful year ahead,*

*David Chojnacki*

*Director*