**Topic Suggestion** 

A) Cross TC Argumentation

MPEP 716.02(c) discusses "Weighing Evidence of Expected and Unexpected Results"

In older technology centers (such as chemical) arguments for obviousness/non-obviousness are expected to be tied to evidence that is provided by the Applicant as would be supported by the case law.

Could this type of argumentation be used within the newer technology centers (such as electrical/computer) requiring proof or data supporting both non-obviousness and possibly enablement issues.

Internally direct the burden of overcoming obviousness within the realm of 103/112 and not 101.

B) Internal Crowdsourcing

Suggest internal forum to allow examiners to discuss best practices/ask questions more freely amongst themselves (reddit style?) anonymous or not

- -internally crowd sourced knowledge
- -reduce stigma associated with asking questions (fear of "bothering" someone)
- -build institutional knowledge not lost through attrition or retirement
- -would allow for those more willing to mentor/teach to have a platform to do so beyond traditional lectures which are not as effective for telecommuting workforce
- -moderators allowed use of other time
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