The Advisory Committee for the Center for Teaching and Learning met for lunch and discussion on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 in the CTL. Those attending were:

Mark Byington
Sandy Frey
Janie Blum
Allan Walmsley
Lori Kovarik
Amy Kausler
Sandy Basler

Christy Cornelius

Committee members were given a copy of the CTL sessions from our 2014 – 15 school year along with the total attendance for each session. It was determined that those sessions offered early each semester were better attended, and mid-week sessions at 2 or 2:15 pm had the most participants. Several agreed that pedagogical topics were more relevant earlier in the academic year and as the year progresses more of the “learning about interesting topics outside of higher education” sessions are beneficial as faculty enjoy learning from the interests and passions of their colleagues. Reading Circle/Book discussions were suggested for next year along with these topics:

Finals Week Controversy
Blackboard Gradebook
Dragon Naturally Speaking (Janie Blum)
Portfolios for Credit for Prior Learning (Chris DeGreare and Michael Booker)
Ethical Responsibility of Predictive Analyses on Students (Michael Booker, Kim Harvey, Chris DeGreare, Lisa Pavia-Higel
Privacy in Library Usage (Lisa Pritchard)
Using Student Owned Technology in the Classroom (Amy Kausler)
Using eBooks and traditional textbooks (ask a few students to come and share their perspective)

To conclude the meeting we discussed the composition of the New Faculty Cohort and the topics relevant to this group. It was suggested the Vice President of Instruction set the parameters for those who will be included in this group and if the meetings are required. The list of topics will be reviewed by the Vice President, also.

Respectfully,

Christy Cornelius, Faculty Coordinator for the CTL and Professor of ECE