**Teaching and Learning Program Council**

**Minutes, October 5, 2016**

Present:, Helene Anthony, Bryana Bonfanti, David Bwire, , Judi Cook, Brenda Leake, Donald Leake, Laurel Leonard, Andy Lynes, Ann Marie Maratea, Amy Moyer, John Oliver, AJ Richards

Excused: Louise Ammentorp, Michelle Bunagan,

1. Announcements
   1. HA lead the Council in the election of a new Chairperson. By a unanimous vote, Amy Moyer was elected Chair. A brief discussion followed regarding candidates for Vice Chair. No decision was made for this position.
2. Report from Director of Instructional Design
   1. JC provided an overview of resources via Lynda.com
   2. JC briefly discussed the faculty who completed training for blended courses. JC plans to meet with the various Deans to solicit input regarding the data and implications for respective departments offering blended courses.
   3. JC announced that the Instructional Design website has the forms and directions for faculty to apply for on-line and blended course training.
   4. JC announced that Canvascon will be held at TCNJ and she offered to provide support for any Council members interested in attending the event.
3. Report from CETL Director (see attached)
   1. BL announced that a new computer for the Center is scheduled to be delivered Oct 6.
   2. BL indicated that the Community Engaged Learning and Research Center (CELR) has contacted her regarding CETL co-sponsoring an event that will bring an expert to campus who will address best practices for integrating community engaged learning and research in existing courses. Since the collaboration doesn’t require any CETL funds, BL agreed to collaborate with the CELR center.
   3. BL announced that the October 7 First Friday event is scheduled for 12:30-1:30 for lunch and will be followed by a riding tour of Trenton. The tour is scheduled for 1:30-3:00.
   4. BL provided an update on the Learning Communities that were started last year. Specifically she indicated that Maureen Connolly is leading the Mentoring Learning Community that includes 7 participants. The Mentoring Learning Community plans to interview Deans and Chairs regarding mentoring issues in the respective Schools. Maureen and BL plan to attend the Mentoring Conference in Albuquerque October 24-28.
   5. BL initiated an update on the Achievement Gap Learning Community that is led by AM and Monica Jacobe. AM indicated the Achievement Gap group plans to respond to a RFP from the Cultural and Intellectual Community Program Council. The tentative plans for the proposal include a “Teach-in”.
   6. BL suggested changing the name of the Achievement Gap Learning Community to possibly “Increase Access to Success”. No decision was made.
   7. The group discussed the possible development of a Data Summit Case Study as another possible activity for the Achievement Gap Learning Community.
   8. BL solicited suggestions and feedback for the Good Reads experience. JO suggested “Authoring Your Life” as a possible consideration. HA suggested “American Idol Academic”. BL solicited volunteers to read some of the available books she brought. It was also suggested that volunteers consider sharing perceptions of the respective books prior to the next meeting.