From the desk of Robin

November 8th through 10th was our first adjunct faculty and lecturer conference (FALCON) that included participants from across the United States. The conference was a great success with participants already talking about coming back next year, bringing their friends, and submitting presentations! The success of this conference was due, in large part, to the planning committee of Jon Becker (IUN), Ange Cooksey (IUE), and Diane Larson (IUN). Ange has been granted a Bender FACET Fellowship to assist in evaluating this conference. She will contact willing participants to obtain not only their feedback about the conference but to understand what aspects of the conference presentations influenced their teaching. Her data will help us create a more effective conference in future years, focusing on presentations and speakers who can assist participants in making changes in their teaching thus improving student learning. The Bender FACET Fellow program was designed to help FACET members learn about our statewide programs and grow as leaders. Fellows work on statewide projects in cooperation with the FACET office and, in some cases, a planning committee. If you’re interested in applying for a Bender FACET Fellowship, check out the FACET website (http://go.iu.edu/961); the application deadline for fall, 2014 is April 30th.

Fundraising Updates

As you know, FACET has been working hard to move our fundraising efforts forward so we can fund programs and travel not currently supported in our university budget. Our most recent efforts include a mailing directly from our staff in October - this reached nearly 600 active members and retirees. We are also working with the IU Foundation on the inclusion of information about FACET in their annual calendar appeal. This mailing will be sent to approximately 20,000 faculty and staff.

Our fundraising efforts serve a variety of purposes beyond raising dollars - we have also set goals to raise awareness. FACET has struggled to end the idea that we are an elite organization with a secret handshake or that others on our campuses simply don’t know or understand what FACET does. The work with the IU Foundation aims to meet both goals. Our internal goal is to encourage all of our members to give to FACET annually, either in one-time gifts or through payroll deductions. Once again, The Fort Wayne campus is exploring the pooling of individual gifts on their campus so the campus FACET group can share in a leaf on the Director’s Society Tree. This is a wonderful idea and if your campus or FACET class is interested in doing this we are happy to support your efforts. Please contact Kimberly Olivares, Assistant Director of FACET for Strategic Planning at 317.274.0086. Use this link to setup your payroll deduction: https://iufservices.iu.edu/IQ/Edocs/payrolldeduction.aspx

Campus Updates

All Center’s Meeting: March 7th at IUPUI, Campus Center. Teaching and learning center staff will come together to discuss topics and ideas pertinent to their work with faculty. This event is cosponsored by UITS.

Statewide Selection Meeting: March 7th from 8:30-5:00PM at IUPUI, UL 1125M. Details have been sent to those involved in the meeting and the results will be shared with liaisons and candidates shortly after the meeting.

Midwest SoTL Conference: April 11th at IUSB with our very own, Carol Hostetter, as keynote. Please use this link for more information: https://www.iusb.edu/ucet/events/sotl/index.php

2014 Retreat: May 16-17 at Sheraton City Centre in Indianapolis, IN.

Planning Ahead:

2014 FALCON: November 6-8, 2014 at the Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre. Details will be forthcoming.


Other News:

Would you like to have your FACET sponsored or teaching related event highlighted on the FACET calendar? Please send requests to the FACET office at facet@iu.edu. The calendar can be viewed here: https://facet.indiana.edu/events-programs/index.shtml