



“FACET advocates pedagogical innovation....”

excerpt from FACET Mission

FACULTY COLLOQUIUM ON EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

From the desk of Robin



On March 4th, Sue Hendricks successfully completed her first stint as chair of the Statewide Selection Committee.

Having served as chair myself for many years, I want to recognize personally thank Sue for taking on this daunting task and agreeing to continue next year.

29 dossiers made it to the state level and were reviewed by the committee in a grueling day-long meeting. By the end of the day, our new inductees were selected.

I want to personally thank the members of *all* selection committees, those on the individual campuses and those on the statewide selection committee. Without your work, FACET would not continue to be the vibrant organization that it is.

I would also like to welcome our newest members. FACET is an organization filled with people passionate about teaching, generous in helping others to improve student learning, and committed to developing excellence in teaching across the entire IU System. I would encourage you to get involved in one – or more – of the many FACET initiatives.

Several of our newest members have been asked to share their innovative teaching approaches in a panel discussion at our upcoming retreat. Please join me in welcoming all of our new members and attending their panel discussion at the retreat.

Teaching Innovations

“Growing the scholarship of teaching and learning through institutional culture change” is the title of an article appearing in the most recent issue of the *Journal of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (JoSoTL)*. The authors, Ginsberg & Bernstein, outline a five step model they utilized in bringing SoTL work front and center at Eastern Michigan University. A major obstacle in establishing SoTL on almost any campus is making “... the case that scholarly inquiries into student learning represents true scholarship that should be counted as such by the university.” Traditional categories of service, teaching, and scholarship hinder this view.

Although many IU faculty are involved in SoTL work, few faculty would consider such work to have the same cachet as traditional scholarship, what Boyer would call the scholarship of discovery. How can we implement a change in our IU culture to bring the value of this research to the forefront with promotion and tenure committees, administrators, and our colleagues? What role can FACET play in facilitating this paradigm shift? Join us on Facebook for continued discussions on this topic and others raised in the monthly newsletter. Or post your own teaching and learning related topics and get input from your FACET peers around the state.

If you have a Facebook account, simply join the IU FACET group. Only FACET members are allowed to join this group and privacy controls have been set on the site. If you have difficulty finding FACET on Facebook or have any concerns or suggestions, please contact the FACET staff.

Campus Updates

April 15, 2011: **IU South Bend** will host the 12th Annual Midwest Regional Conference on the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning.

April 26, 2011: **IU Southeast** will host their 5th Annual FACET Faculty Feast, celebrating the professional milestones of local FACET members.

May 20 - 22, 2011: 23rd Annual FACET Retreat located at the Sheraton Indianapolis City Centre in downtown Indianapolis. The Steering Committee will meet on May 19th prior to the retreat. Harvey Bender, widower of founding FACET Director Eileen Bender and Friend of FACET, will be providing the keynote address for our inaugural Eileen Bender Memorial Lecture on Friday evening. Additional details are available at: <http://www.facet.iupui.edu/retreat.php>

The link for retreat registration is: <https://www.confmanager.com/main.cfm?cid=2420>

This is a new university registration system so please let us know if you encounter any difficulties. New IU policies require all fees for the Retreat to be paid prior at the time of registration.

Please see the calendar on the FACET website or the campus liaison for more details on these events.

**Planning Ahead:**

2012 Retreat: May 18-20 at Potawatomi Inn in Anglola, IN

2013 Retreat: May 17-19 at French Lick Resort in French Lick, IN