We met in the High Rise Gold Room. Frances Gonzalez explained the services offered by the Learning Center such as walk-in tutoring (hours are posted online and hard copy) and Supplemental Instruction (S.I.). Numbers are up in S.I. with as many as 25 students participating in one science class. Aaron Prestwich explained Project Strive services.

Michele Rickenbach, Faculty Senate Liaison, reported on the new Faculty Learning Community and their work on revising the CSC general studies program. The proposal for the new general studies, which will have to be approved by Academic Review and Faculty Senate, will be more outcome-oriented rather than a checklist of classes for students to complete. The plan includes a six credit-hour freshman seminar course and a six credit-hour junior capstone course. A pilot of the seminar course will begin in fall 2011 and the first capstone course will begin in fall 2012. Both should be in place by 2013. The education majors must have certain courses on their transcripts for licensure so that is being addressed in the discussions. An example of a cross-discipline course was suggested by Dr. Veath – the physics involved in musical instruments.

Jerry Cassiday reported that he spoke with Dr. Leite, Dr. Miller and Dr. Carnot following their attendance at a conference. Their impression was that CSC is ahead of other institutions in developing this type of a general studies program. Also others were impressed with CSC’s commitment to the work and the volunteer “faculty-up” rather “administration-down” approach.

Some discussion took place about officers for next year and the idea was presented that current officers may volunteer to continue in current positions.

Other members present reported on their current projects. Thanks to Frances for delicious fresh fruit, tortilla roll-ups and lemonade.

Discussions for future meetings topics/locations included the new Burkhisser study area and Dr. Erich Landen addressing ergonomics in our work environments. For April, it was suggested that we have a topic of “My favorite memory/memories of Kline.”

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