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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of Academic Council and GE 25 Council

FROM: Vicki A. Leal

DATE: September 30, 2005

SUBJECT: Call to Conference – Annual Faculty-to-Faculty Conference

Greetings All,

Per earlier notifications to members of Academic Council, GE 25 Council and others, this year's 19th Annual Faculty-to-Faculty Conference will be held Friday October 14, 2005 at the Colorado Community College System Lowry Campus, 9101 East Lowry Boulevard, in Denver. This year the conference will feature a combination of the focus and topics of previous years. The purpose of this year's conference is twofold: 1) to focus on the State Guarantee General Education program, gtPathways; and 2) to provide a context within which two-year and four-year faculty can discuss issues of transfer articulation and the processes and procedures of gtPathways within their respective disciplines. Faculty involvement within the transfer process is essential; faculty facilitation of the gtPathways process and procedures is critical to the successful implementation of the state's guaranteed transfer program.

In addition to the gtPathways focus, the Commission's Chief Academic Officer, Matt Gianneschi, will provide a brief overview of policy issues and a short summary of what has transpired over the course of this past year. A legislative update and dialogue with Representatives Keith King and Mike Merrifield, (*invited*), and faculty breakout/working groups will complete the day's agenda.

The conference agenda and a map of the Lowry Campus are attached to this memo. The academic areas involved in this year's conference are:

Arts and Humanities
Mathematics
Social and Behavioral Sciences

Natural and Physical Sciences
Communication
Teacher Education

Due to a limited amount of resources, the number of conference attendees will be restricted to 135 participants, (last year's conference included 132 faculty attendees). Each four-year institution is invited to send up to eight faculty representatives, each community college may send up to four faculty representatives, and local district colleges may send six representatives from the previously listed disciplines. Institutional vice presidents of academic affairs and/or instruction are asked to facilitate the delegate selection for their institutions. Mileage reimbursement will be available for faculty who are attending from at least 100 miles outside the Denver metropolitan area.

Please send me the names of the faculty who will represent your institution at the conference. I will be assembling packets and nametags for the faculty participants, and will need advance names/numbers of participants in order to successfully facilitate conference logistics.

There will be a conference link available on the CCHE website by Monday October 3rd.

Please contact me should you have any questions or concerns, 303-866-2723,
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cc: Matt Gianneschi