PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE
March 11, 2008

Present:
Joanna Fulbright        Kena Tyler        Tracie Morris

Business:
Discussion centered on what the professional development committee could offer the faculty in May in the way of faculty development.

The person contacted for a presentation does not seem able to come, so alternatives were discussed. Those include:

- Holly Ayers present material based on the book that her class is using.
- Dr. Delong present on advising and/or what was learned in the Chicago and Russellville conferences.
- Joan Sterling present on assessment.
- Judy Cannady present the True Colors.
- Bettie Estes present something on curriculum development.

Another area of discussion revolved around how to better fulfill the charges of the committee. How the members of the committee could catch the vision of where the institution needs to go and then arrange activities that lead in that direction. It was noted that there are workshops and seminars addressing this subject and perhaps members of the committee could attend one or two of these to help with how to develop a faculty development program. It was noted that the committee members felt a little lost on how to turn this into something meaningful.

It was mentioned that teachers teaching lower levels are required to have continuing education hours and certainly instructors at the community college level should also have to fulfill some kind of continuing education qualification. It was noted that there are potential continuing education opportunities online that could be utilized.

The date in May was discussed (5/7) and who should receive these minutes (Joanna, Nancy, and Brad).

The meeting ran to the time when members had classes and was adjourned to be continued another time.