

September 22, 1998

TO: Chemistry Program Directors

FROM: Dr. Teresa W. Banks, Associate Director, Health Sciences

SUBJECT: 1998 NC Community College Instructors Conference

You are invited to attend a Special Interest Group Meeting for Chemistry Instructors at the 1998 NC Community College Instructors Conference. The meeting will be held on Monday, October 12, 1998, at 5:00 pm, in the 3rd Floor, Heritage Room.

The conference program and registration information were recently mailed to your college. Each college will have its own procedures for processing the registration cards and fees, so please follow the directions provided by your instructional administrator.

The session will provide an excellent opportunity for faculty to discuss issues, trends, and challenges currently affecting chemistry education. Reengineering and semester system conversion will also be addressed. Ms. Mary Bailey, a Chemistry Instructor from Fayetteville Technical Community College will preside. Ms. Bailey plans to develop a directory of community college chemistry faculty and would like for you and your full-time chemistry faculty to complete/mail the enclosed questionnaire to her by Monday, September 28, 1998. She will frame a tentative agenda for the session based on questionnaire responses.

Please notify Ms. Bailey at (910) 678-8400, if you have questions or comments. I look forward to seeing you in Greensboro in October.

Enclosure

c: Ms. Sharon Morrissey
Dr. Edward Jackson
Ms. Mary Bailey

CC-98-276
Paper Copy

Chemistry Instructor Questionnaire

Instructions: Please answer the following questions and return to Ms. Mary Bailey by Monday, September 28, 1998. Please duplicate questionnaire for all full-time chemistry instructors.

NAME: _____

COLLEGE: _____

PHONE NUMBER (work): _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Which chemistry courses do you teach? (list by common course library number)

Prioritize the following issues (1=lowest priority, 8=highest priority) that impact your effectiveness in the classroom:

- _____ Teaching Load
- _____ Equipment Shortages
- _____ Professional Development Activities - Availability
- _____ Professional Development Activities - Relevance
- _____ Professional Development Activities - Accessibility
- _____ Students - Retention
- _____ Students - Motivation
- _____ Students - Placement

Mail/FAX/ your completed form to Mary Bailey.

Address

Ms. Mary Bailey
Fayetteville Technical Community College
2201 Hull Road
Fayetteville, NC 28303

FAX

Ms. Mary Bailey
(910) 484-6600

Special Interest Group Meeting for Chemistry Instructors

Tentative Agenda

October 12, 1998

- Welcome and Introductions
- Issues, Trends, Challenges in Chemistry Education
- Reengineering - Where We Are/Where We Need to Be
- Focus Group Discussions
- Focus Group Reports
- Wrap-Up
- Adjourn