VCCS Professional Development Opportunities

Regional Center for Teaching Excellence
http://www.nvcc.edu/loudoun/CTE/
Roslyn King is Center Chair for the Northern Virginia Regional Center for Teaching Excellence. This center serves NVCC, Lord Fairfax CC and Germanna CC.

VCCS Professional Development
Chancellor's Fellowships and Professorships:
https://www.vccs.edu/FacultyStaff/ProfessionalDevelopment/
The Chancellor's Fellowship provides up to one year's leave of absence and $10,000 financial support to complete doctoral study. The Chancellor's Professorship provides support (reassigned time and financial resources) for projects.

Inquiry: The Journal of the Virginia Community Colleges
http://www.vccaedu.org/inquiry/
The hard-copy edition of Inquiry is published twice a year by the Virginia Community Colleges Association and the Virginia Community College System. The Electronic Edition, which is sponsored and maintained by the Virginia Community College Association, includes papers from the hard-copy edition of Inquiry.

Grants and Awards
https://www.vccs.edu/FacultyStaff/ProfessionalDevelopment/Grants/
Research grants are available for up to $5000. Mini-grants are available for up to $1500.

New Horizons Conference
www.vccs.edu/facultystaff/professionaldevelopment/
This annual conference provides a forum for faculty and staff to share ways to promote excellence in learning and teaching. Next conference: April 7-9, 2010 at the Hotel Roanoke & Conference Center. This is a very dynamic conference; there are usually > 500 attendees.

Peer Group Meetings
https://www.vccs.edu/FacultyStaff/ProfessionalDevelopment/
A peer group is an association of 12 or more full-time or part-time personnel associated with teaching and learning. Within the VCCS there are peer, work, and governance groups.

The objective of the peer group meeting is to encourage intra/interdisciplinary collaboration, creativity, problem solving, planning, forecasting, learning and networking in the Virginia Community College System. Faculty meet to discuss substantive issues related to discipline updates, curriculum revision, integration of technology and instructional innovations.

Faculty and Leadership Academy
www.vccs.edu/FacultyStaff/ProfessionalDevelopment/
The Faculty & Administrative Leadership Academy is designed to provide the leadership theories, practices and skills needed to support current and aspiring leaders to lead their respective departments/areas and colleges more effectively. The next academy will be held April 12-15, 2010, at the Virginia Crossings Resort in Glen Allen, Virginia.

Participation in this event is by invitation only. Space is limited to one faculty or administrative member per campus. If you are interested in being considered for this program, please contact your president’s or provosts’ office.