



Staff Development "Developments"

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Giving everyone a chance to grow

(this document is both a newsletter and summary minutes)

- I. We are going to work with other groups in their support of **The Big Read** this spring by contributing money for food and for WORD for WORD to come visit in March. We will also look to encouraging other reading activities that come before and/or after March of 2009.
- II. We will launch a **"Spotlight Series"** this year -- faculty and staff sharing their passion/their expertise with other faculty and staff during various college hours. This totally underscores our value of giving everyone a chance to grow--some people will want to present and hopefully, lots of others will want to attend and learn. Also, it asserts our value of using inside expertise rather than pay outsiders...there is so much richness right here at Chabot. SD will pay presenters a \$100 stipend and perhaps we can provide some snacks and/or other support.
- III. Angie and Arlene both took the high road at our meeting, reminding us that cash for culture was perhaps a little crass...They are likely right in this matter, but the issue of giving faculty and staff more incentive to get involved still lingers around us...I love the idea of SD supporting each other in taking classes here at Chabot...maybe there's something there...also, Steve recommended that perhaps we donate to charity...this is a great idea too.

Lots of energy and ideas to keep us churning for awhile.

Next meeting: Oct. 23rd at 3:30 p.m., Building 1100, Room 1103

-- We will design our flyer for the **"Spotlight Series"** (Arlene will bring us something to work with) and see what we can get going.

-- Christy , we want you to be our first spotlight with your speakeasy plans for the workshop for faculty coming up soon. Can we make this happen? SD wants to support your activity.

Respectfully submitted by yours truly...Rachel LePell