This year the Professional Development & Recognition Committee changed the trainings we offered in the fall to increase our overall attendance. Over the years a decrease in numbers attending the Support Staff Workshop in the fall had been decreasing. This year the committee decided to replace the training by offering a training day geared toward new professionals or professionals with new duties. The following day of training would be geared toward directors, associate directors and other seasoned professionals. The trainings were located at Concordia University in Seward and were well attended. (40 for the first day and 50 the next). The committee felt that this was very successful and would like to continue down this path going forward.

The committee also moved the spring conference to March instead of the usual April to see if we would be able to increase attendance. The conference was also moved to Lincoln for the first time in several years. Attendance is up by 12 from last year which may be due to the location versus the time of the year. Going forward the committee will go back to April conferences because March is crunch time for so many schools.

The PDRC assumed the role of Awards and recognition as well. This added some additional preparation and duties to the conference planning but all in all went well.

I would like to thank my fellow committee members. This team was great to work with and each person contributed to the success of the fall workshops and the spring conference.

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