Chemistry - Discipline Specific Day (CDSD)

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Dear Chemistry Colleagues

I am looking forward to the UniServe meeting as it is always engaging and informative. Since some of us will also be there on the Wed afternoon I thought it would be a good opportunity to meet and discuss issues we have in common as chemical educators. Kaye is happy to give us a room to meet in.

As a suggestion to kick things off, perhaps we could each bring along one of our favourite provocative questions we ask in lectures, and/or our favourite exam question (with solution to indicate what we expect), and present them in say a 15 min period (including discussion). This could be used as a focus for what each of us feels strongly about in T & L in chemistry, and prepare us for the next two days of the conference.

I could bring along a Mac and PC laptop, and a switcher box, and I will ask Kaye if she can provide a data projector. If there is the interest, I could also bring along some student response units (KEE pads) and demonstrate how they work and how we use them. I think they are an effective technology for making lectures much more engaging and I am also so surprised by how much students like them! Perhaps others in the group use them too, and could share their experiences.

Regards

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