

Minutes
College of Education Faculty/Staff Meeting
Friday, January 15, 2010
9:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.
Goudes Lecture Hall

Attendees: Lyndon Abrams, Lynn Ahlgrim-Delzell, Kelly Anderson, Joshua Avery, Valerie Balog, Lonnie Bateman, Louise Baucom, Janet Baxter, John Beattie, Susan Becknell, Bertie Billups, James Bird, Linda Breen, Joyce Brigman, Mary Lynne Calhoun, Peggy Ceballos, Marvin Chapman, Heather Coffey, Nancy Cook, Ed Conway, Rosslyn Crandell, Micki Crowder, John Culbreth, Mark D'Amico, Myra Dietz, Meredith DiPietro, Lisa Driscoll, David Dunaway, Tarra Ellis, Paul Fitchett, Joyce Frazier, Sherell Fuller, Susan Furr, Crystal Glover, Kathie Goldman, Amy Good, Michael Green, Dawson Hancock, Adam Harbaugh, Henry Harris, Laura Hart, Jennifer Hathaway, Janice Hinson, Catherine Holman, Cynthia Hopper, Charles Hughes, Charles Hutchison, Harold Jaus, Vicki Jaus, Melanie Johnson, Sarah Jordan, Bonnie Keilty, Do-Hong Kim, Scott Kissau, Brian Kissel, Suzanne Lamorey, Sandraluz Lara-Cinisomo, Pamela Lassiter, Jae Lim, James Lyons, Victor Mack, Michael Matthews, Melinda McCabe, Lisa Merriweather, Maryann Mraz, Kok-Mun Ng, Terri Pennell, Theresa Perez, Teresa Petty, Paola Pilonieta, Michelle Polidura, Phyllis Post, Sarah Ramsey, Clarrice Rapisarda, Susan Rebich, Brenda Romanoff, Spencer Salas, Lee Sherry, Pamela Shue, JaneDiane Smith, Melba Spooner, Bruce Taylor, David Test, Laura Veach, Jean Vintinner, Shawnee Wakeman, Chuang Wang, Jim Watson, Richard White, Greg Wiggins, Patricia Wilkins, Charles Wood, Karen Wood, Wendy Wood, Maria Yon.

1. Call to Order – Dr Calhoun called the meeting to order

- a. Approval of Minutes 11-6-09. Dr. Hancock made the motion that the minutes be approved. Dr. Taylor seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by common consent.
- b. Circulation of the roster. (sign in at entrance to lecture hall)

2. Announcements / Updates

- a) Dr. Spooner alerted everyone to key dates and information regarding registration for the spring 2010 semester. She asked that this information be relayed to students and to help them understand these important dates. She also asked faculty to check their rosters up to the Census date 1/25. She reminded faculty not to hold class on Reading Day May 5. Part time faculty need to be informed too. Handouts were distributed with these key dates.
- b) The February 5th College Meeting, with the support of the Longview Grant, will be an extended meeting from 9:00am-12:00pm. Dr. Merry Merryfield will hold a workshop on internationalizing our programs. A breakfast will be provided. Please adjust your calendar.
- c) The Dean stated that news regarding the budget has been quiet. With state revenues not as expected, there is a possibility of a state spending freeze. The advice we have been given is; if you have money, spend it. For travel, you are encouraged to prepay airfare, hotel and registration. New faculty are encouraged to spend their start-up costs which may or may not be available next year. Work with your office manager to complete paperwork.

3. The Future of Master's Degrees

The Dean provided the handout, *Halt urged to paying teachers for earning Master's Degrees* as an example of the national policy discussion questioning the value of master's degrees on teacher performance/ student achievement. The impact studies of the effect of master's degrees have been mixed. We have been asked to revision our Master's programs at a time when their value is being questioned. There is an opportunity in this crisis to create very new, cutting-edge master's degrees. The dean asks for a radical approach to the revisioning process by starting with a blank piece of paper. Think about what can make this master's degree powerful. Consider streamlining the degree

(for licensed teachers) to a 30 credit program. Consider core courses that can cut across teaching fields. We want our graduates energized and committed to the field and well-prepared to be highly successful.

4. Announcing the Campaign for the College of Education / Planning for the Campaign
The Dean provided a PowerPoint presentation of the campaign. The campaign includes a 40th birthday celebration, fundraising for the naming of the building and college, endowments and scholarships. The centerpiece will be a brick mural honoring teachers and the teaching profession. Michael Green shared his thoughts on giving which included a proposal of a department scholarship made up from a faculty payroll deduction. Dean Calhoun asked for help in finding donors, designing the mural and making a gift. Linda Breen provided support tactics of the campaign and spoke about upcoming events for the College.
5. Professional Development Schools (PDS) grant opportunities
Drew Polly spoke about the Professional Development School grant competition. A grant proposal must be submitted no later than March 1st. More information will be sent electronically following the meeting.
6. Other Business
7. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 am.

**Next College Meeting:
Friday, February 5, 2010
Extended Meeting 9:00-12:00**