

MDSK Department Meeting Minutes- 9/16/11

Motion to accept minutes previously distributed: Myra motions, Dan seconds the motion. Minutes are accepted by unanimous vote.

Joyce- thanks everyone for help with Fall Orientation. The process works and there is room for growth, and we need to all think of ideas for how to entice students to attend in greater numbers in the future.

Travel- still no money.

NCATE- assignments have been made.

Mid-term Grading- Academic Affairs and the Dean's office are pushing for midterm grading to be completed. It helps to improve failure. If there is no one in danger of failing, then log onto the Academic Affairs website and check the box that lists that everyone is in good standing.

Vacant Positions- These no longer remain the property of the department. If someone leaves the department, the position will be taken back by AA and a new position has to be justified for a new hire.

Employee of the Year- Michelle has been nominated as employee of the year! The luncheon is on September 28th. If you would like to attend, \$10 is due to Hannah by September 21st.

Moodle/Wimba Issues: Spencer had issues with cross listed courses, and other people had issues to report to Teresa Petty as well.

Spring Schedule- has been sent to Michelle and is currently in progress.

Online graduate programs: Policy- only NC residents in online programs. The GTC has to be NC residents because of licensure and clinical issues, but there is no reason why online MED could not be opened up to residents outside of NC. If someone wanted a Master's degree, could that do that w/o advanced licensure? Synchronous sessions could present a scheduling issue outside of our time zone. It is conceivable that in the near future, there will be a list of applicable states that we can allow. Theresa Perez: The issue is that everyone in Master's programs has NC license and field study, so if they're out of state/country, they don't have those. Charles/Spencer: There is also a language issue and an asynchronous option. The best idea would be to form a committee to address this opportunity.

Chance: Vision for Center City Building. There are opportunities for classes during the daytime as the building is currently mostly empty. Talk to Warren or Michelle if you would like an event or your class to be held there.

RPT- policy emailed late Thursday.

Honors Committee- Good opportunity for faculty members to become involved.

Dispositions: Raised a large debate over standards and when evaluations should be given. Pre/Post test collaboration in schools. When and how can students be evaluated so that in the event that they are

not fit for the program, they have not already wasted time and money? And once a student is out of the program, how do we keep them out of the department or prevent them from changing programs?

QEP- Focus will be on freshmen, which is new for the program. Driven by SACS, but directed not to focus on that. Keep students engaged and increase retention program. (Brainstorming Session)

September 26-30= Application week. Anyone planning to teach next Spring (grads) or Fall (undergrads) needs to make an appointment ahead of time and see Tarra before coming to OFE. College of Arts and Sciences need to visit their advisor first.