

REEL Faculty Meeting  
October 16, 2009  
Minutes

Attendance

Attending: Bob Audette, Leigh Ausband, Louise Baucom, Bertie Billups, Marvin Chapman, Joyce Frazier, , Crystal Glover, Amy Good, Michael Green, Stephen Hancock, Jennifer Hathaway, Misty Hathcock, Janice Hinson, Cindy Hopper, Hal Jaus, Melanie Johnson, Brian Kissel, Christy Luce, Melinda McCabe, Adriana Medina, Maryann Mraz, Paola Pilonieta, Drew Polly, Kate Popejoy, Sarah Ramsey, Tracy Rock, Tehia Starker, Jean Vintinner, and Maria Yon.

Absent: Jack Piel, Robert Rickelman, Bruce Taylor, Karen Wood and Sherell Fuller.

1.) Announcements:

- Dr. Hinson gave the faculty some good news. The Dean has given the department \$8,500 extra for travel money. This money will be divided equally among each traveling faculty member for the amount of \$900.
- Approval of August Minutes
- Dr. Hinson said that we are working on Summer school. She will try to accommodate everyone's needs for summer teaching.
- Thank you to Dr. Green & Family for their generous donation of a scholarship program to an eligible ELED major with a concentration in Math.

2.) Dr. Audette introduced Kelly Anderson who shared the work being done on the SPED and ELED dual licensure program. The program is still in the works but a lot of work and research has been done to move this possibility forward. (See attached PowerPoint's for details)

3.) Vicki Jaus announced all the revisions to curriculum and thank you's to the faculty who made this possible. She also asked for any faculty who can do rubrics for the new curriculum to please have this turned in by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

4.) Michael Green discussed Clinical Placements and the importance of students taking ELED 3120 being in a diversity setting. He said we are trying to prevent students from getting out of being placed in highly diverse schools before their year long.

5.) Dr. Pilonieta announced that she would be emailing the faculty to get their input on the changes that we have seen in our college & community in the last 5 years. All input will be taken back to the Faculty Council meeting and will go toward strategic planning.

- 6.) Christy Luce called for a faculty vote on whether to change the rule on having to be an employed teacher to complete the MAT program. The vote was 23 yes 2 abstained and 0 no. There was also a motion that we revisit this issue in two years to see how it has affected the program. This motion was passed.
- 7.) Dr. Medina brought information back from the Faculty Academic Committee meeting. She informed the faculty of an upcoming debate on implementing a (+) plus and (-) minus grading scale. The faculty voted not to support the +- grading scale and Dr. Medina said she would take that vote of “no” to the faculty Academic committee meeting next time.
- 8.) Dr. Rock closed the meeting with a quick introduction of the three doctoral students. The students told the faculty a little about themselves and joined us in a pot-luck lunch to welcome them to our department.