

Special Education and Child Development
Departmental Meeting
January 28, 2014

In attendance: K. Anderson, Baughan, Baxter, Beattie, Brown, Correa, Flynn, Lo, Matthews, Murphy, O'Brien, Rebich, Sherry, Smith, Spooner, C. Wood, and W. Wood. Guests: Laura Hart and Emily Stephenson-Green

1. Call to Order (12:40)

a. Approval of Minutes (11/26/13):

- Dr. Smith made one correction to Item 3b: Dr. Browder will attend the media training: not Dr. Smith and Dr. Spooner volunteered to be the alternate. Dr. Correa made a motion, seconded by Dr. Anderson, to approve the minutes as amended by Dr. Smith. The minutes were approved by common consent as amended.

2. Information Items

a. News of the Community (Dr. Sherry):

- Save the Date: February 21st at 3:30pm, dedication and naming of the Mary Lynne Calhoun Atrium. A reception will follow the ceremony.

b. edTPA Implementation and Transition (Laura Hart):

- Ms. Hart asked for specific questions and/or concerns. Dr. O'Brien stated that the transition away from DPI's electronic evidences looks like a fluid process and stressed that faculty need to continue to build on each other's experiences. Ms. Hart observed that practice tasks are in TaskStream and this will be helpful in collecting data. Dr. Flynn had a question concerning the use of a part or the whole rubric.

c. SLO Assessment Plan and Reports for 2013 (Spring 2013 and Fall 2013) (Emily Stephenson-Green):

- Ms. Stephenson-Green gave background on the current SLO Assessment Plans and Reports. She provided a handout that outlines tips for preparing for the annual report and entering information into the Template. A second handout is the Spring 2014 Department Review of 2012-13 SLOs.
- She stressed that the information will be used for the 2019 SACS review to support continuous quality improvement.
- She also noted that department chairs will be more active in the review of the reports; the Office of Assessment will only be reviewing about one-third of the reports per year.
- This year's process includes: (1) review last year's report; (2) use rubric to score and give feedback to report writers; (3) incorporate feedback for the new report; (4) report goes to Chair for final review.
- Ms. Stephenson-Green reviewed the websites that hold the Annual Assessment Data (<http://coedpages.uncc.edu/assessment/secure/Default.htm>) and Annual Reports and Comprehensive Assessment Plans (<http://education.uncc.edu/assessment/>)

d. University Faculty Council (Drs. Shue and Wakeman):

- No report.

e. COED Faculty Council (Dr. Flynn):

- No report. Meeting is tomorrow and discussion will include course loads, RPT, and annual reports.

f. 2014 Fall Schedule Planning (Drs. Baxter, Matthews and Sherry and Ms. Murphy):

- Fall course schedule deadline to Cynthia is February 7th.
- Dr. Sherry noted that all summer assignments were approved by Extended Academic Programs.

g. Federal Funding and Policy Issues (Dr. Sherry):

- See handouts regarding *Education Laws Overdue for Renewal Languish in Congress and Fiscal Year 2014 Discretionary Funding for Selected Department of Education and Related Programs*. There is national discussion and concern about the laws and funding that are up for re-authorization and affect us and our programs.

h. CHFD Conference (Ms. Murphy):

- Please note that the Conference will again take place at Center City campus on April 4th.
- Updates will be forthcoming via email.

i. Department Search Updates:

- AIG Faculty Search (Dr. Matthews): A verbal agreement has been made with Cindy Gilson.
- SPED Faculty Search (Dr. Lo): The first candidate is on campus today and a handout was provided with a list of all the candidates and dates that they will be on campus. Each candidate's on-campus schedule will be sent when it has been confirmed. Dr. Sherry encouraged faculty to attend research presentations.
- SPCD Chair Search (Dr. Test): No report however Ms. Murphy noted that 3 candidates have been invited for on-campus interviews. Their bios and on-campus itineraries will be sent as they are confirmed: Kevin Miller is slated for 2/17-18; Dave Edyburn on 2/20-21; and Belva Collins on 2/26-27.

j. College of Education Faculty Awards (Dr. Sherry):

- Nominations are open until February 14th.

k. Graduate Enrollment Planning Initiative (Dr. Sherry):

- Graduate School has contracted with Eduventures to increase graduate enrollment University-wide.

l. Reappointment/ Promotion Reviews for Clinical Faculty: Process/ Timeline Update (Dr. Sherry):

- Dr. Sherry announced that Dr. Baxter was elected to the College Review Committee to represent clinical faculty.

3. Action Items:

a. Nominations for Expanded Department Review Committee for Promotion for Clinical Faculty Members (All)

- Ms. Murphy is only eligible nominee; therefore, Dr. Correa made a motion to declare Ms. Murphy as representative to the Expanded DRC for 2014. The motion was seconded by Dr. W. Wood and approved by common consent.

4. Open Agenda:

- a. Thanks to Cindy Baughan, Vivian Correa and Ya-yu Lo for providing lunch for today's meeting.

5. Adjourn: There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 1:53.

(Next departmental meeting: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at 12:30, COED 103. Lunch will be provided by SCEC.)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cynthia Stasiewski.