

**Special Education and Child Development
Departmental Meeting
April 23, 2013**

In attendance: K. Anderson, M. Anderson, Baxter, Beattie, Brown, Browder, Campbell-Whatley, Cooke, Correa, Flynn, Jordan, Lamorey, Lo, Matthews, O'Brien, Romanoff, Sherry, Shue, Smith, Spooner, Test, Wakeman, C. Wood, and W. Wood

1. Call to Order (12:40)

a. Approval of Minutes (3/26/13):

- Dr. Cooke made a motion; seconded by Dr. Flynn, to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2013 faculty meeting as presented. The minutes were approved by common consent.

2. Information Items

a. Cooperative Planning Consortium: Update (Dr. Sherry):

- Dr. Sherry and Dr. Spooner attended the Consortium meeting that was held at High Point University.
- Rachel McBroom (who replaced Kathy Sullivan) spoke on several items including the adoption of MTEL. She noted that all elementary and special education-general curriculum programs were included; the state legislature adopted the MTEL; cutoff scores will be reviewed and a process is in place.
- Also discussed was new DPI wording. The term “revisioning” has been dropped and replaced with “remodeling”. Dr. Sherry noted that this will be documented in our programs. Also noted is that DPI will not be reviewing student electronic portfolios.
- A summer task force will be reviewing several items; however, agenda includes state level development (DPI) of on-line modules for out-of-state folks seeking licensure in NC; continuous improvement plan; and approval to move to edTPA.
- There are several new DIP summer institutes.

b. University Faculty Council Update (Dr. Smith /Dr. Jordan):

- Dr. Smith reminded faculty of the Faculty Attendance at Commencement policy. Change from tenured /tenure-track to all full time faculty
- Update from Alumni Affairs: resources to fund alumni events; they have an alumni list and database that can be used by departments; there is no membership fee for alumni but all graduates will now receive a membership card at the time of graduation.
- Chancellor reported that we are ‘siting tight’ on the budget. There is no budget freeze at this time. It is business as usual; SACS review went well; reminder that faculty members need to be involved in the implementation of the UNC Strategic Plan.
- April 3rd was Legislative Day in Raleigh. Several faculty members from across the UNC system were in attendance.

c. College of Education Faculty Council (Dr. Lo):

- No report.

d. End-of-Year Data Updates: SPCD, CHFD, AIG, and PhD (in program meetings) (Dr. Sherry):

- Review of student learning outcomes data will take place in program meetings.

e. Trends in Colleges of Education: Feedback from AACTE (Dr. Sherry):

- Dr. Calhoun attended this meeting and brought back 5 Things Education Leaders Should Know about 2014:
 - Master’s degrees in Education: numbers are tanking; de-coupling pay incentives; lack of tuition support; there is no motivation to continue seeking advanced degrees -- trending toward a multi-disciplinary degree
 - Distance education is now mainstream and on-line are expected to provide quality education
 - Seek feedback from alumni
 - Perception of a lack of accountability in the profession
 - Be innovative

f. Departmental Elections Announced (Dr. Sherry):

- **College of Education Faculty Council (SPED) (1) (2 year term)**
Lindsay Flynn (Gloria Campbell-Whatley as alternate when Lindsay is on family /maternity leave)
- **College Graduate Curriculum Committee (1) (2 year term)**
Wendy Wood
- **Department Review Committee (1) (2 year term) and (1) (1 year term)**

Michael Matthews (1 year term)

JaneDiane Smith (2 year term)

- **Undergraduate Student Awards Committee (1) (2 year term)**
Jamie Brown
- **College of Education Honors Council (1) (3 year term)**
Michael Matthews
- **University Faculty Council (2) (1 year term)**
Pam Shue
Shawnee Wakeman
- Dr. Sherry moved to the Action Item asking for nomination(s) and election for **Internationalization Committee (1) (2 year term 2013-15** (correction to the agenda item was noted). He noted that Dr. Shue filled the term vacated by Sandra Luz. Dr. Campbell-Whatley self-nominated. There being no other nominations from the floor, a vote was taken and Dr. Campbell-Whatley was elected unanimously.

g. RPT Reviews for 2013-14 (*Dr. Sherry*):

- The following faculty are scheduled for reappointment /promotion/ tenure:
 - Eligible for promotion to Full professor: Dr. Campbell-Whatley (has chosen not to pursue) and Dr. Lamorey (has chosen not to pursue)
 - Eligible for promotion and tenure: Dr. Shue
 - Eligible for reappointment: Dr. Flynn
 - Eligible clinical faculty members will be self-nominate for promotion in the spring of 2014

h. New Peer Observation Schedule and Documentation (*Dr. Sherry*):

- Reminder that all new faculty beginning fall 2013 will participate in the new Peer Observation Schedule.
- A handout was distributed to remind mentors /peer observers of the timeline and documentation required (teaching enhancement plan required in Years 2, 3, and 4).
- Part-time faculty will be observed by mentors.
- There is a separate Peer Observation Schedule for clinical faculty and supervisors.

3. Action Items:

a. Committee Nomination (*Dr. Sherry*)

- See item f above

4. Open Agenda:

a. edTPA (*Dr. Wakeman*)

- Dr. Wakeman shared what MDSK developed to detail tasks and rubrics; to collect data; and timeline when each is embedded in their coursework
- There is a paid work day scheduled May 13th – 16th to develop SPED and CHFD procedures

b. Nancy Cooke's Service to the Department (*Dr. Browder*) **Diane** thanked Nancy Cooke for her 30 years of service to the department, college, and University on the occasion of her retirement. The sentiment was unanimously applauded.

c. CHFD Masters Poster Session (*Dr. Correa*) **Vivian** reminded all to attend the Masters Poster session at 3:00 pm.

d. Undergraduate Research Award (*Dr. Matthews*) Michael congratulated elementary education major and COED Honors student **Danielle Martin** and her thesis advisor **Kelly Anderson** on Ms. Martin's receipt of the Atkins Library Undergraduate Research Award in Social Sciences and Education for her poster entitled *Student Self-Efficacy within Response to Intervention*. Ms. Martin was honored at the 2013 UNC Charlotte Undergraduate Research Conference on April 19 and will receive a \$1000 award from the Atkins Library.

5. Adjourn: There being no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 1:35.

(Next departmental meeting: Tuesday, August 27, 2013 at 12:30, COED 103)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cynthia Stasiewski.