REEL Faculty Meeting September 11, 2009 Minutes

Attendance

Attending: Bob Audette, Louise Baucom, Bertie Billups, Marvin Chapman, Joyce Frazier, Sherell Fuller, 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, Drew Polly, Kate Popejoy, Sarah Ramsey, Tracy Rock, Jean Vintinner, Maria Yon. Guests: Linda Breen & Andrea Mosier.

Absent: Leigh Ausband, Jack Piel, Paola Pilonieta, Robert Rickelman, Tehia Starker, Bruce Taylor, and Karen Wood.

- 1.) Guest Linda Breen & Andrea Mosier from the Grants and Foundations office introduced themselves. They discussed ways they assist faculty in all aspects of researching and applying for Grants.
- 2.) Approval of August Minutes
- 3.) Dr. Hinson shared her goals as Chair for the upcoming year.
 - a. Facilitate and support the acquisition of external funding
 - b. Support the successful re-visioning of the M.Ed in Elementary Education, M.Ed in Reading and MAT in Elementary Education
 - c. Continue the work of the former chair to foster the development of a stronger culture of research and scholarship
 - d. Promote the well-being of the department by encourage all faculty members to participate in shared leadership decisions and experiences
 - e. Provide fair and equitable leadership that leads to a continuation of professional growth and personal job satisfaction for all department members
- 4.) Bertie handed out a spreadsheet of the budget to show how funds were spent last year and how limited we will be this year. Dr. Hinson shared with the faculty decisions made from the Budget Committee Meeting.
 - a. The committee recommended that the department only support travel if the faculty member does not have grant money or other external funds.
 - b. Department funds will only be available if the traveler is presenting at the conference.
 - c. All travelers will receive the same amount of money.
 - d. The committee also recommended that the department not fund any discretionary equipment requests (microscopes, whiteboards, etc).

5.) Announcements:

Bob Audette shared with the faculty about implementing a possible double major between ELED and SPED. Our departments are working on the curriculum overlap between the two degree tracks to make it possible to double major.

Joyce Frazier reminded the faculty that internship applications need to be signed and turned into the office of field experiences by October $2^{nd2,\,2009}$.

Tracy Rock announced that ELED has accepted three doctoral students. These students will join us at our October 16^{th} meeting and we will have a pot-luck lunch to welcome them to our department.

Dr. Hinson closed the meeting with a quick overview of inappropriate student emails. She encouraged faculty to inform their students that emails need to be properly address when contacting faculty and staff.