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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

## **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The College of Education Executive Committee met on Thursday, August 24, 2006, at 8:30 a.m. in the COE Conference Room in the Education Center with Dean Gunter presiding. Members present were: Drs. McGahee, Gerber, Hilgert, Griffin, Bauer, Hull, Galeano, Stanley, Leech, Martinez, Lee, Mr. Pearce, and Ms. Roberts. Guest: Dr. Judd.

Dean Gunter reported that the workshops conducted by Mr. Don Puckett last Friday had been very successful. During the morning session, 252 students attended; in the afternoon session, approximately 120 student teachers attended. Mr. Puckett's workshops focused on cognitive development and classroom management.

Dean Gunter also reported that Dr. Steve Graham, who had been the speaker at the opening COE faculty meeting, has been named as the university's 2006 Distinguished Alumnus.

Dr. Gerber distributed the revised "Video Recording Permission Form." Dr. Bauer moved approval of the form for use; Dr. Martinez seconded the motion. It was suggested that the statement "The recording will be destroyed after one year" be removed from the form. With this change, the form was unanimously approved for immediate use. Dr. Gerber will send the form to department heads electronically. Because the form contains some language that does not apply to non-teacher programs (e.g. leadership, counseling, etc.), Drs. Bauer and Leech will revise the form for their departmental use and bring it back to Executive Committee for approval.

Dean Gunter reviewed items which had been covered at yesterday's deans' council meeting:

The reception for faculty receiving promotion and tenure this year will be held on September 15. Dean Gunter passed around a list of COE faculty receiving promotion and tenure and asked department heads to check for correctness of names.

The Office of Alumni Relations will sponsor this year's homecoming tailgate party on October 7. The event will be held at University Center.

Dean Gunter distributed a list to each department head of his/her departmental courses being taught fall semester. Each department head should let Assistant Registrar Patrick McElwain know which of these courses are entirely web based.

Dean Gunter distributed a "Student Information Technology Survey" which had been completed by the Board of Regents.

Dr. McGahee distributed a handout outlining revised rules released this week by PSC about the changeover from the Praxis tests to the GACE tests. Previously, PSC had announced that any student who had not passed Praxis I by September 1, 2006, would have to take and pass the GACE I. Under the revised rules, PSC now says that if a student has passed a section of the Praxis I by September 1, 2006, he/she will have until March 1, 2006, to achieve a composite score of 526 on Praxis I. The passing scores for the three sections of Praxis I are: math=176, reading=176, and writing=174. This change by PSC necessitates a change in the requirements to receive an "S" in 2999 classes during fall semester which was approved July 13, 2006, by Executive Committee. Dr. Hull moved approval of a motion to add "or if one part is passed by September 1, achieve a composite 526 by the end of fall semester." to the testing requirements for receiving an "S" in 2999 courses during fall semester; Ms. Roberts seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. Dr. McGahee also announced that the GACE tests would be given in the Valdosta "area," although no definite site has yet been disclosed. Dr. McGahee has sent this information out to both COE faculty and students.

Dean Gunter announced that he and Dr. Gerber had met with Mr. Joe Newton about technology upgrades in the COE. Based on a review of what technology faculty currently have, a number of faculty will receive upgraded computers. In addition, teaching stations will be upgraded. Mr. Newton has agreed to come to the last Executive Committee meeting each month to address COE technology issues.

Dean Gunter projected a tentative agenda for the NCATE/PSC visit. Dean Gunter will send the agenda to department heads to review; he asked that the agenda not be disseminated to faculty until it has been finalized.

Dr. Lee distributed a list of COE advanced programs. Most advanced programs require that students have LiveText. However, for the few that do not, Dr. Lee asked the department head for that program to write in "yes" or "no" about whether or not LiveText will be required in that program and return the form to her. For any program which does not adopt LiveText, Dr. Lee asked that the department head for that program give her in writing the name of the person in the department who will be responsible for collecting data from "another" system and entering it into LiveText. Also, she asked department heads to respond in writing whether or not they wanted a letter sent to each student admitted to an advanced program telling him/her that LiveText was a requirement for admission and that he/she would not be allowed to register for classes until LiveText was purchased and initial forms completed.

Dr. Lee distributed some dispositions data which have already been collected from this semester's student teachers. Concern was expressed about student

teachers' responses to item #11. Seventy-three percent of the student teachers agreed with the statement that "the impact of my performance as a teacher is primarily dependent upon the students' family backgrounds and the students' personal motivation." It was generally agreed that each program should devote at least one student teaching seminar to this issue.

Ms. Roberts announced that the Registrar's Office would release the CAPP program for faculty and student use in the near future. The CAPP program will show an individual student's program planning sheet on-line; this capability should assist in the advising process. Dean Gunter will ask Assistant Director of Admissions Arlene Gaumond to come to an Executive Committee meeting in the near future to demonstrate the CAPP program.

Dr. Gerber announced that he is continuing to work on securing speakers for the fall lecture series.

Dean Gunter announced that Dr. Levy has put an additional \$15,000 into the COE faculty development budget. After some discussion, the consensus was to put these funds into individual travel.

Dean Gunter distributed a copy of the seven COE goals for last year (2005-06). These goals were:

Improve Graduation Rates

Enhance Quality Academic Programs

Positively Impacting Learning Through Evidence-Based Practices

Recruitment, Retention, and Development of High-Quality Personnel

Diversity (Improvement and Enhancement)

Service

Systematic Planning

Dean Gunter projected the Academic Affairs goals for next year (2006-07). He noted that any changes that were made in the COE goals for 2006-07 had to relate to the Academic Affairs goals for next year. Dean Gunter asked department heads to review the COE goals and see what changes needed to be made. After a short discussion, Dr. Hull moved to keep these same seven goals as the COE 2006-07 goals; Dr. Leech seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dean Gunter noted that there has been some discussion about conducting a state-wide study comparing the impact on P-12 learning of teachers trained through on-line programs with those trained through traditional teacher education programs.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donnie J. McGahee