

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The College of Education Executive Committee met on Thursday, October 15, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. in Room 235 of the Education Center with Dean Gunter presiding. Members present were: Lee, Gerber, Roberts, Reffel, Martinez, Leech, Myers-Jennings, Minor, Griffin, Stanley, Bauer, Powell, Gladwin, Corbin and Hilgert. Guests Sterlin Sanders, Brian Anderson, Blaine Brown, Janet Foster and Kelly Heckaman

Minutes from Meeting on September 17, 2009 --- Reffel

A motion to approve the minutes of September 17, 2009 was made by Roberts and seconded by Minor; with no discussion, changes or amendments, the minutes were approved.

Report from IT staff and COE Technology Committee

Sterlin Sanders reported that 175 work orders were completed during the month of October so far. The laptop cart has been reviewed for upgrade. Brian Anderson reported for Ike that upgrades in rooms 2137 and 2006 are in progress. The SLP lab 134 will be upgraded before winter break, 256 will be upgraded during winter break. EDC 2142 is on the list for renovation before the end of the academic year. PSYC 107 is slated for upgrade after that. Next Tuesday, the cameras are scheduled for service in the SLP building. Dr. Griffin requested that 180 and 181 be reviewed for Smart Technology and teaching stations in 180, 181 and 143 are requested to be on the list. Lab 153 in the PE complex may need an upgrade. Dr. Minor asked about the cameras in the Reading Lab, Brian asked for a work order to be filed if faculty are having difficulty observing. Dr. Browne reported from the Technology Committee that met on October 5th. They will be working on using technology fees, clicker (e-instruct vs. Turning Point). The technology committee will be sending around a survey to faculty.

Report from Deans' Council meeting of October 7, 2009 --- Gerber

Dr. Gerber reported on last Thursday's meeting of the Dean's council. President Schloss reported that the reassigned time faculty for research was approved. He also discussed a proposal for increasing the numbers of reassigned time for faculty. Each department will be asked to develop a two-year rotation for courses for advising. This will be due fall 2010 and Alicia Roberson will be coming to each division / department for support. Private companies may not be used to negotiate to provide students to international programs. The president will approve more locations on campus for alcohol consumption for functions. There will be a two-hour limit for serving alcohol and food must be served. There will be a form that will need to be completed. Dr. Levy discussed 8.2.15 of the BOR policy about faculty working outside of their VSU employment. This would not impact faculty during times not on contract. 24 proposals were submitted for QEP.

Converse Hall Update --- Bauer

Dr. Bauer reported on a meeting of the P&C faculty with President Schloss, Provost Levy, Interim VPF&A Traycee Martin, and Dean Gunter, held yesterday (12 October) about moving Psychology and Counseling to Converse Hall. Dr. Schloss and the faculty felt that the facility was not appropriate if just renovated. It was announced that VSU would request approval from

the BOR for a new facility where Converse Hall is now; a 3-4 story building that will house Psychology and Counseling as well as other departments. Funding would come from \$1.2 million of stimulus monies and other local campus funds. It has been the goal of the department for the past 10 years to move to a more appropriate facility. The proposal will now go to the BOR with a fall /11 move-in date.

Academic Classroom Update --- Lee

Associate Dean Lee reported that, according to the plans, the new academic classroom will be on the Baytree side (NE) side of the building. It could not be built on the Oak Street side due to the flood plain. There will be two 360 -seat classroom with rest rooms on each floor.

Curriculum change proposals --- Minor

Dr. Minor proposed two curriculum changes in the B.S. Ed. In Early Childhood Education and the MAT in Special Education. Dean Gunter asked about the difference between the new 2-hour vs. old 1-hour practicum requirements. He asked where RTI is addressed—Dr. Minor stated that it is in the ECSE courses already approved last spring. Also, how will technology be assessed if embedded rather than an approved course. A discussion on field placements was held due to the statement that “field placements... as prescribed by the instructor.” Dr. Stanley also asked about how the deaf education students would access the LITR courses if not enrolled in the practicum. Dr. Minor will add co-requisite statements to the ECED and ECSE practica and courses. Dr. Gerber asked about the lack of upper division coursework in Science. Dr. Minor stated that candidates have 14 hours of science in lower division. Dr. Griffin addressed the change from a 3-hour health and physical education course to an unknown number of seminar sessions. Dr. Bauer acknowledged the change between PSYC 3120 and EDUC 2130 in the program. Discussions were held about the MAT admission requirements and change in the program. Both proposed curriculum changes will be revisited at the next meeting of the Executive Committee next week. Dr. Minor will contact the Graduate School to see if they would still accept the graduate proposals for consideration by the Graduate Executive Committee if they are delivered on Thursday, October 22 (rather than the due date of October 21).

VECA Fund Raising --- Gerber

Dr. Gerber distributed order forms for the VECA Fund Raiser from South Georgia Pecan Company. An article in the Valdosta Daily Times was shared
http://www.valdostadailytimes.com/archivesearch/local_story_288002126.html

Announcements

Approval of all reassigned time requests for spring scholarship

Approval of three new positions

Senate Today at 3:30

Furlough day on Monday

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia M. Reffel