

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The College of Education Executive Committee met on Thursday, May 28, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. in Room 235 of the Education Center with Dean Gunter presiding. Members present were: Bauer (via Polycom from the Czech Republic) Lee, Gerber, Reffel, Roberts, Leech, Martinez, Griffin, Stanley, Pearce, Myers-Jennings, and Hilgert. Guests included Sterlin Sanders, Allen Devane and Ike Barton.

Minutes form Meeting on May 14, 2009 --- Reffel

A motion to approve the minutes of May 14 was made by Leech seconded by Martinez with no discussion, changes or amendments, the minutes were approved.

Report from Information Technology --- IT Staff

Allen DeVane reported that a price should be available soon regarding the projection system for the conference room. Brian Anderson will be back on Monday and will continue to work with Blaine Brown about additional Smart Classrooms for the COE. Sterlin reported 135 calls were completed for the month of May. Mini Dell laptops will be delivered this afternoon. Two more SmartBoards will need to be installed in VECA classrooms. Ike reported that the PO for the hardware for CommuniCoach has been out for two weeks. Delivery will be in the next two weeks. Isoprime will be down in June for implementation. A bid for KSPE should be released in a day or so. Dr. Myers Jennings requested that 228 be reviewed in the SLP building. Cameras for the observation system in SLP have been ordered and should be installed soon. Dr. Bauer requested Crestran in POB 19 as well as card swipe printer access. He also requested upgrades to the instructor workstation in PCB 108.

Orientation Update --- Roberts

Ms. Roberts announced orientations on Friday (2:00 p.m.), Saturday (10:00 a.m.) and Wednesday (2:00 p.m.). BIOL 1107 and 1108 are for Biology majors only. If they transfer in, they will be in Area D (course substitutions will not be needed).

National Recognitions (SPAs) ---Lee

Associate Dean Lee reported that the NCATE timeline indicates that for our 2013 visit, in order to apply for national recognition, we would have to submit 3 years of data for SPA recognition. If we are to apply for SPA recognition, we will need to report data starting this summer. NCATE is looking for a new way to apply for MAT-like programs for SPA recognition. It is anticipated that PSC will review only standards 7 and 8 only for programs that have national recognition.

Website Status --- Reffel

Please remember to update websites to reflect all of the necessary items for SACS, NCATE and PSC (faculty meeting minutes, advisory committee minutes, faculty office hours, current programs of study, etc.) J. Reffel is available to review websites and they will be peer reviewed sometime this summer for clarity.

Annual GACE Data --- Lee

Associate Dean Lee reported a GACE data summary and reminded department heads that there is a wealth of information that is in the report. VSU is not significantly higher or lower than the state average in most areas. Dean Gunter and Associate Dean Lee will be presenting with the GACE representative and the PSC on using GACE data.

SOI Input/Access --- Reffel

J. Reffel reported that Dean Gunter, Associate Dean Lee and J. Reffel are attending a meeting on Friday, June 5 to review the spring SOI process. Feedback should be sent to jreffel@valdsota.edu regarding the process to share at the meeting

Update on Belize --- Gerber

Dr. Gerber reported about the desire on behalf of the Ministry of Education in Belize to teach 4 courses to a cohort of 30 primary teachers. It was negotiated that faculty could probably come for a week and a half (Introduction to Education, Nature of the Learner, Methods for Teaching the Primary Curriculum, and Nature and Structure of the Language). Sean Lennon and Anthony Pelligrino have indicated an interest in teaching. July and the first two weeks of August would be scheduled for the courses in Orange Walk, Belize. Syllabi have been requested, once received, they will be passed on to department heads and faculty interested. Airfare, lodging (stipend) and \$2,500 would be available to support the faculty member. Faculty

GATE/GACTE Conference Jekyll Island October 7-9 Call for Proposals --- Gunter

Dean Gunter reminded the committee that there is a Call for Proposals for the 2009 Annual GATE / GACTE / GAICTE Conference to be held in Jekyll Island October 7-9, 2009. The call can be found at the following site and is due no later than August 1, 2009. <http://www.gaate.org/>

Strategic Initiatives for 2010-June 15 Deadline --- Gunter

Dean Gunter reminded the committee that the first round of Strategic Initiatives is due June 15th. He is interested in looking the possibility of a faculty member to coordinate research activities. Another initiative could be involving student teacher issues and attrition during student teaching. Department heads are asked to bring initiatives to our June 11th meeting of the COE Executive Committee.

Moving things around, that time of year again, sorry --- Gunter

Dean Gunter reported that the following changes will take place – renovation of the downstairs computer lab; VECA 6th and 7th grades here next year; restroom changes (2 downstairs will be Women's Restrooms; 1 upstairs will be designated Women and 1 upstairs will be designated Men), new chairs for the Einstein's area, renovation of 255 for super-section classroom, Brian to Dean's office, Julie L. to Donnie's office.

Professional Development Activities for Opening of Fall Semester --- Gunter

Some ideas that Dean Gunter and Associate Dean Lee have discussed are CommuniCoach, LiveText, Advising, COE Observation Instrument, Degree Works, Smart Classrooms, WIMBA, WebCT, Shared Services (HR) = about 10 sessions available. Other areas will be generated after the data meeting in July.

Interviewing for New Positions --- Gunter

Dean Gunter reported that the closing date for new positions is June 5th. He suggested the Department Heads begin looking at applications and be ready to invite interview applicants as soon as possible after June 5th. Dean Gunter will establish a committee for the COE GOML Director position.

Other

Congratulations to Dr. Hilgert on his son, Chris's achievement as Salutatorian of Valdosta High School!

Dean Gunter distributed new HD Flip Cameras for each department.

Dr. Bauer announced that he would be meeting with the College of Education Dean in Olomouc in the future regarding continued partnerships. Exchanges have taken place with CSD, KSPE, SPEC, PSYC. Dr. Martinez inquired about Adult Education opportunities. Dr. Stanley inquired about Alternative Certification (CZR has Extension Education). The Art and Music departments there have been involved with a school in Minnesota, Dr. Bauer will ask about possibilities in Art and Music Education.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Orientation Friday at 2 and Saturday at 10

Next COE Executive Committee Meeting June 11, 2009

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia M. Reffel