



***College of Education Council Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2009 9:30-11:30
Coquina Hall 208***

Meeting Called to Order at 9:38 a.m.

I. Recognition of Members and Alternates

Dr. Butler, Dr. Braun, Dr. Lang, Dr. Leung, Dr. Reck, and Dr. Senokossoff were all in attendance. Dear Fueyo attended as ex-officio.

II. Recognition of Guests:

There were no guests present.

III. Approval of Agenda

Additions: An action item for Curriculum & Programs was added to the agenda.

IV. Approval of minutes from January 6th meeting

Dr. Braun moved that we accept the minutes. Dr. Reck seconded. All approved.

V. Action Items

Curriculum & Program requested a permanent number for a course in Educational Leadership. Dean Fueyo suggested that since this is not a substantive change, that we approve the change. Dr. Braun moved that we accept the change. Dr. Leung seconded. All approved. Dr. Butler cautioned us to make sure that when something is brought before the Council, that we have something to look at. Dr. Reck suggested that we send out a message regarding this matter to all faculty.

VI. Business Items for Discussion:

A. Senate Report: (See attached. Below are some of the highlights.)

There will be a dry run for SACS in March.

A general Faculty Meeting has been called for April 10th. A discussion ensued about the date. It is Good Friday. The Senate asked for clarification from HR about opting out of Social Security for part-time employees. The Senate is also drafting a letter to President Genshaft asking about the process that was used to appoint Dr. Sullivan as an interim Chancellor. They are being careful with the tone of the letter. They don't want to be "stamping their feet" and complaining, but they are curious about the process that was used. The Senate is also very thankful for Dr. Sullivan, but they are making sure that a tradition of faculty involvement is being built.

B. Dean's Report: (See attached)

Highlights:

The Dean is dispelling the rumor that the Educational Leadership program is being dissolved. The College is currently searching for two faculty positions for this program.

There is still no approval for summer budget.

C. Committee Reports:

1. School-Community Partnership Committee: There is no report. The committee is meeting today.
2. Curriculum and Programs: There is no report.
3. Annual Review Committee: The committee met and divided up the work. The reviews due at 5:00 pm on Monday, March 9.
4. Tenure & Promotion Committee: The committee met and two faculty are going forward for mid-tenure review.

D. Other Business

We need COE student representatives for Student Government. All four positions are unfilled. Dr. Reck brought up the Student Government's unwillingness to accommodate COE students' schedules. The Dean suggested that the Council write something for Student Government. Dr. Butler agreed to craft a letter and send it out for approval. Discussion ensued about ways to get students more involved. Dr. Butler suggested we discuss this at the College-wide faculty meeting.

VII. Information Items

- A.** Constitution Revision Update: Dr. Butler is going through old Council agenda and making changes to the Constitution based on the items that were already approved.
- B.** Council Elections for 2009-2010—Dr. Butler asked that we help identify potential candidates for the spots. Faculty Senate will need to start looking at open positions as well. Dr. Reck will bring the Council a list of committee positions that are open for next year. We must get these positions filled at the very first meeting in the Fall.
- C.** Technology Fee Proposals Update: Dr. Butler talked with Dr. Noonan last week. The proposal for getting the mobile laptop cart was put forward. Dr. Noonan said that we could resubmit a proposal to her by March 15 regarding the Smart Board if we felt strongly about it. Dr. Reck suggested that we attach the Smart Board proposal to the upgrades to the classrooms and ask for several Smart Boards. Dr. Butler put two names forward for the Technology Committee: Dr. Unal and Dr. Senokossoff. A discussion about who makes the decision about how the technology money is spent ensued. USF St. Petersburg will have input, but Tampa makes the final decision. Dr. Noonan is on the committee that can make decisions about that.
- D.** Research & Graduate Studies @ USFSP: What are the plans to replace Chris D'lea? Dr. Noonan will let us know after her meeting in Tallahassee.

VIII. Announcements:

Next Council Meeting: April 3, 9:30-11:30, Coq. 208
Faculty Meeting: April 17-1-3, May 1, 1-3
Upcoming Fac. Mtg.: March 13, 1-3

Dr. Reck moved to adjourn the meeting and Dr. Lang seconded.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:10