



*College of Education Council Meeting Minutes
March 25th—1:00-3:00*

Meeting Called to Order:

I. Recognition of Members and Alternates

Dr. Janice Blake, Dr. Alexander Brice (Chair), Ms. Jennefer Khattabi, Dr. Zafer Unal, Dr. Charles Vanover (Vice Chair), and Dean Vivian Fueyo

II. Recognition of Guests

Dr. Cynthia Leung attended the meeting as the COE representative from USFSP Faculty Senate Committee. Dr Guda Gayle-Evans attended as an alternate for Dr. Hodges.

III. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved with additions.

Additions:

Part-Time Faculty Recognition Event planning added to Other Business

A. Review Council minutes from February 2011.

Minutes from February 18th meeting approved by Council.

IV. Action Items

A. Review of scholarships for the College.

Council filled made decisions regarding scholarships based on the information available, but wished for clarification in regards to how students were selected for the different scholarships. Council's decisions were sent to Dean Fueyo for review.

V. Business Items for Discussion:

A. Dean's Report.

Dean Fueyo gave her report to the Council. A copy of the Dean's Report is posted on the COE website.

B. Committee Reports:

1. Senate Report

The Fall Faculty meeting will be devoted to distance learning and online courses. There is high interest in providing support for faculty for these courses.

If there are issues that faculty believe the Senate might discuss, please send them on.

2. Annual Review

Dr. Janice Blake, reported that the committee is on track to finish reviews by April

3. Partnership Committee.

The Partnership Committee will report next meeting.

4. Tenure & Promotion Committee.

5. Curriculum & Program Committee.

C & P asked that the council approve a series of changes that had been in process for many years. These were:

- A. Discontinue the certification track in the reading education master's degree.
The reason for this change was that the vast majority of students in the program already had certification. Students who began the program without certification had problems getting jobs.
This change was approved by Council.

- B. Create a new course: The role of Democracy in Education.
This is a Foundations course and fulfills all college requirements.
Council asked that C & P add an explanation, justification and rationale for the course to the syllabus. Council was told that these parts of the syllabus exist but were not attached. Council approved the course pending the addition of an explanation, justification, and rationale to the submitted syllabus.

- C. Remove the following programs from the catalogue:
Terminate the BS in Special Education General—This program was suspended in 2009 and has not been active since Spring 2010.
Terminate BS/BA in Elementary Teacher Education— This program was suspended in 2009 and has not been active since Spring 2010.
Terminate BS/BA in English Teacher Education— This program was suspended in 2007 and has not been active since Spring 2007.
These changes were approved by Council.

6. Other.

C. Other Business

1. Qualitative research faculty survey

Dr. Vanover reported on the qualitative survey he had conducted for a proposal he sent to the USFSP Research Council to fund the purchase of qualitative software for USFSP faculty and research assistants. This proposal was accepted by the research council, and Dr. Vanover is working with Dr. Patricia Scott, the Research Administer at USFSPs Office of Research, to create a plan to purchase the licenses that will be forwarded to Academic Affairs. Dr. Vanover will report on the status of the proposal at the next College Council meeting.

The results of the survey are:

20 COE faculty were sent an invitation to participate in the survey.

15 returned surveys

12/15 marked yes to all 3 questions. Thus

80% are engaged in research that uses qualitative data such as interviews, fieldnotes, or video.

80% believe that a college/university site license of qualitative analytic software would benefit their research either now or in the future.

80% might be interested in engaging in professional development or joining a research group in qualitative methods/analytics @ USFSP or the USF System.

Dr. Vanover thought that the positive results might relevant to the COE's strategic plan.

2. Part-time Faculty Recognition Event Planning

After some discussion of the current status of the Recognition Event, Dr. Blake suggested that the Council revise its current plan and transform the event into a start up activity that will be held in August. A sub-committee was formed to do this work. Council faculty expressed willingness to pitch in and help plan and manage the event.

Members of the subcommittee will meet before the next council meeting and

- Decide how far back should the COE go in inviting people to the gathering.
- Build a list of part-time faculty members and then share the list with Council.

Council members agreed to continue to plan the event at the April Council meeting

VI. Announcements

Meeting Ended:

3:38

Next Meeting:

April 15th 9:30-11:30.