

College of Education College Council Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2010

Meeting Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:36 AM

I. Recognition of Members and Alternates: Members present included: Dean Fueyo, Bonnie Braun, Alex Brice, Steve Lang, Brie Reck, Gwyn Senokossoff, and Zafer Unal.

II. Recognition of Guests: No guests were present.

III. Approval of Agenda: An addition to the agenda regarding the announcement regarding the track for non-tenured faculty will be added to the agenda. The agenda was approved by all.

IV. Review of Council Minutes from December 2009: Brie moved that the Council minutes for the December 7, 2009 meeting be approved. Alex seconded. The minutes were approved by all.

V. Action Items:

A. Approval of Annual Review Guidelines with Revisions from Faculty Meeting. One change was made to the guidelines. The faculty voted unanimously on this change at the Faculty Meeting that occurred on January 8, 2010.

B. Senate Report. The chairs of the standing committees are to update the faculty. The Senate in the Spring semester will work and not duplicate efforts by USF Tampa. There is a need to give feedback to USF systems administrators regarding a systems wide approach to governance. Discussion at the Senate meeting ensued regarding initiating structures for systems wide faculty governance. The various Presidents of the USF senates will be invited to the Academic Management Council.

C. Dean's Report. See the attached Dean's Report. Enrollment trends for the College of Education indicate that undergraduate enrollment has increased, the Dual Track program enrollment has also increased; while, the MAT, English Education, and Math-Science programs show flat enrollment. Education Leadership and Reading have shown decreased enrollment. However, the College of Education has shown strong student credit hour growth.

The State University System Colleges of Education Deans are to have increased meetings with the Florida Board of Education. The SUS Deans from the 11 Colleges of Education are to write letters of support to Eric Smith for the State's application for Race to the Top.

Strategic Initiatives. Discussion with the Pasco County Schools to develop a new cohort of students in Ed. Leadership is in progress. Progress Energy and the USFSP College of Education are in discussions to extend tuition assistance for this cohort of students for Fall 2010. Pasco County Schools have expressed an interest in developing a Masters in Reading program. Superintendent for Pinellas County Schools Julie Janssen has committed financial support for 20 Math/Science Elementary School teachers.

The WUSF radio ran ads for the College of Education over December, 2009.

Career Ladder. A draft of the revised guidelines for Career Ladder for Non-tenure Track Faculty was sent to Dr. Noonan and other Academic Deans at USFSP and Councils before being forwarded to the University Tenure and Promotion Committee.

D. Committee Reports. No committee reports.

E. Mentoring Junior Faculty. USFSP does not currently have a systematic mentoring process of junior faculty. The February College Council meeting will address bullet points, topics, and activities regarding mentoring junior faculty. The discussion will look at what and how it will look like in a formalized fashion.

F. Systematic Review of the Curriculum and Assessment. The College of education will investigate the new undergraduate program to what extent program areas and critical assignments are not being duplicated. It was discussed that the College of Education should critically investigate teaching and student assignments in this regard. The February 26, 2010 Faculty Meeting will be extended by one hour to discuss these issues.

G. Discussion on the Process Used to Evaluate Students in the CDN followed.

VII. Announcements: A meeting with the Sarasota/Manatee College of Education is tentatively being scheduled for March 19, 2010.

Next Council Meeting: February 8, 2010.

Meeting Ended at 11:40 AM.