



Dean's Report to the College of Education's

College Council

April 5, 2010

New Business

Stavros Scholarship Recipients. Lily Alcott (candidate for the MAT in Exceptional Student Education) and Franki Robinson (candidate in the Dual Track, MS in Elementary Education/ESOL) are the 2010-2011 recipients of the France Louse Stavros Scholarship.

Legislative Update. The deans of the colleges of education of the 11 SUS institutions in Florida continue to communicate regularly with our legislative liaison to the Board of Governors. Current focus is on Senate Bill 6 and HB 7189 and the state's application to the Race to the Top, all of which have major implications for teachers, school administrators, and university-based educator preparation. Senate staff have written a detailed analysis of the bill and its implications, which is available at <http://www.lobbytools.com/static/bills/2010/PDF/AS00061095.PDF>

****Standing Committee Assignments.** Standing committee assignments in the COE are filled by volunteers on all committees except for tenure and promotion, whose members are elected. In some cases, all members of the committee are new from one year to the next. In committees such as Curriculum and Program, where institutional memory is essential for continuity and consistency with university policies and college standards, this situation can be problematic. Adding to the by-laws a committee structure consistent with the College Council's for all of the college's standing committees, of the vice chair serving as chair the following year, would ensure the required continuity.

****Outstanding Graduate.** April 16 is the deadline to nominate a deserving COE student as Outstanding Graduate for 2009-2010. Applications were sent out last week, and I encourage you to submit nominations.

****Phi Kappa Phi.** Dr. Noonan is interested in starting a USF St. Petersburg chapter of PKP. By April 15, please let me know if any of our faculty are current members.

Faculty Meetings in August. I am calling a faculty meeting for August 16 and 17. Select agenda items include revision of CDN rubrics, curricular alignment of the BS in Education, and strategic planning.

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Instructor Career Ladder. Update on the Instructor Career Ladder—I have met with three of the five instructors in the College of Education and have meetings scheduled with the remaining two individuals to discuss the process and criteria. The UFF has submitted a phase-in schedule to initiate this new process. In the College of Education, one instructor is eligible to apply in 2009-2010, three in 2010-2011, and one in 2013. The eligible instructor for 2009-2010 has elected not to apply, so we will have no applicants this year from the College.

****Action Item**