

College of Education
Faculty Assembly Steering Committee
Friday April 1, 2011
Boca Education 411, Jupiter EC 202C
10:00 – 12:00

Minutes

WELCOME: The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Warde.

ATTENDANCE: Dilys Schoorman, Susannah Brown, Meredith Mountford, Paul Peluso, Connie Keintz (out-of-town conference), Beverly Warde, Philomena Marinaccio-Eckel, Mary Lou Duffy, Lorraine Cross, Andy Brewer, Bob Zoeller.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Third Faculty Assembly Meeting:** April 15, 2011 **Time:** 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Boca - ED 313 Davie- LA 139 Jupiter- EC 202C PSL- MP 223
- **Officer Meeting**-Wednesday April 13, 20, 11:30 is new officer meeting and dean's meeting in
- **COE Strategic Planning** – April 15, 9-10 (same day and room immediately after)
- **COE P&T Forum**-April 15, 12:15-1:15 (same rooms)
- **Departmental reports** for each department need to be sent to Mena for FA meeting April 15
- **UFF luncheon**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The January 14, 2011 FASC meeting minutes were approved. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dilys Schoorman; the motion was seconded by Andy Brewer. The minutes were approved by a majority vote.

OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS:

- **Report on Dean's Executive Meeting from FA President Warde**
- Dean's Executive Committee will meet next Wednesday. The last meeting concerned Tallahassee decisions and issues and how colleges are going to adjust to decisions being made at that level.

NEW BUSINESS

- **April 15 Faculty Assembly Meeting Guests:**
 - Jennifer Low and Chris Robe from UFF will speak about what is happening with the legislature in regards to union membership.
 - John Pisapia, will give a COE Strategic Planning Update concerning where the committee is at this point. The group is ready to analyze and synthesize findings so that they can be presented to the college for discussion the first meeting the strategic plan next fall.
 - An NCATE representative will be presenting an update from NCATE steering committee. There are requirements that are made but the requirements are not known because the state has not come up with them.
 - At the Next FA meeting there will be a vote on the Target Standard. This will be handled as a regular motion. The FA president will first present a reminder that

we have to come up with one standard to be the target and review that each of the standards committees have met to narrow down this decision with input from all the departments. Each department had their own discussions and votes these in turn went to the steering committee and now the steering committee will make recommendation to entire FA.

- **Faculty Assembly Elections:** This year's online election controlled how many times a person could vote. The timing worked out better with February as nomination month and the month of March set aside for the election process. It takes a week for the FA president to set up voting electronically.
 - Connie Keintz is FA President
 - Susannah Brown is Vice president
 - Tina Penhollow is Archivist
 - Mena Marinaccio-Eckel is Secretary
 - Out of 83 voting members 50 voted

- **Recommendations to next year's Steering Committee**
 - Email Bev by next Wednesday any recommendations you have for the officers next year
 - Call for nominations to change to earlier in semester
 - QUES: Will we need to amend the constitution to do this?
 - ANS: No this is a procedural issue. But it does stand that the call for nominations for officers are after spring break and that does need to be changed. March works much better than April and it allows a transition meeting next week.
 - SUGGESTION: In terms of the vice president and president's duties there is an awful lot of cycling through needed. Could we consider each position as a two year commitment rather than a one year?
 - ANS: Bev recommended that the vice-president step in when the president can't preside or attend an event. The president currently attends myriad meetings. By the constitution she attends the dean's executive meeting and senate once a month; and now NCATE steering and strategic planning has been added. When someone says we need a representative of the faculty Bev recommends that the vice-president steps into the president's shoes for NCATE steering committee.
 - QUES: Would that be a constitutional amendment?
 - ANS: No, in the constitution the president can designate this already. In the original writing of the constitution the move from the vice-president to president takes two years for this reason. At that time the thinking was that it would be unfair to ask a faculty member to serve as president for two years since it means sacrificing two years of research time. The current requirement that the serving vice-president is automatically the president the following year and the grooming from vice-president to president provides some continuity.
 - Bev recommended that department representatives be chosen by the end of the spring semester. Then the president could work with the dean at setting the first FA meeting date. Bev has asked the chairs. She would like for the FA steering committees for next year to be announced at the final FA meeting of the year.

Approval of Motion: A motion that the FASC support Bev's idea and recommendation that steering committee members of the following year are identified prior to the last faculty assembly meeting was made by Dilys Schoorman; the motion was seconded by Susannah Brown. The motion was approved by a majority vote.

Departmental Reports

- **Curriculum, Culture, and Educational Inquiry Department-** Dilys Schoorman
The Department of Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry is pleased to note that our next Brown Bag session on Friday, April 22nd will include the work of Dr. Janet Towell from the Department of Teaching and Learning. The FASC had asked if the department would consider extending invitations to other departments to present, and we are happy that Dr. Towell will be presenting. The presentation also enhances CCEI's inter-departmental work in ECE. We also wish to report the extremely successful presentations of Dr. Shirley Steinberg who invigorated our students and faculty on critical pedagogy. Her presentation on publication for doctoral students was deeply appreciated and her public presentation on "Radical Love" was a resounding success with close to 100 attendees. It has been a boost to our students who have been demoralized by the political climate that is hostile to teachers and public education.
- **Educational Leadership and Research Methodology Department-**Meredith Mountford reported that Deborah Floyd will be giving the keynote as the 2011 Florida Atlantic University Distinguished Teacher of the Year at this year's Honors Convocation.
- **Office for Academic and Student Services-**Lorraine Cross
Nikki Lowen has been hired to be the OASS academic advisor located on the Jupiter campus. Nikki has recently relocated to Florida from the Seattle area and brings over six years of academic advising experience. She will begin on Monday, April 4th. Outstanding Professional Educator Alumni Awards, Friday, April 15th from 5:00-7:00 at the Marlene and Harold Forkas.
- **Teaching and Learning Department-**Andy Brewer
The department has been discussing the NCATE and DOE visit and the selection of the NCATE Standard 4 Diversity for our College. Two of our faculty, Lorraine Cross and Susannah Brown are serving as investigators and authors on one of the three QEP proposal finalists. Also, we have been discussing changes to the Master's in Environmental Education program. In addition, Philomena Marinaccio-Eckel will be receiving an Award for Excellence and Innovation in Undergraduate Teaching at this year's Honors Convocation.

Discussion of Possible Items/Priorities for April 15, 2011 FA Meeting

- Identify Agenda Items and Dean's Talking Points:
 - Could we make a formal agenda item to dovetail the Strategic Thinking and NCATE agendas.
 - Should the college of education be doing anything about agenda from Tallahassee?

The meeting was adjourned by President Warde at 11:30 a.m.

Submitted by, Philomena Marinaccio-Eckel

Secretary, Faculty Assembly