Minutes

School of Education Meeting

Thursday, March 18, 2010

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Meeting commenced at 11:30 am

In attendance: Dr. Eileen DeLuca, Prof. Peggy Van Voorhis, Dr. William Dwyer, Dr. Christy Duda, Prof. Joyce Rollins, Prof. Elaine Schaeffer, Dr. Erin Harrel

- 1. Successes and Accomplishments
 - a. Dr. DeLuca shared news of final preparations for the Southwest Florida Reading Festival.
 - b. Dr. Duda reported that Ed Kominowski at the Foundation has told her that the lobby of the Barbara B. Mann Hall will be most likely be available for a mentor banquet from 4 pm to 7 pm on Friday, June 6. This will be confirmed next week. KDE students will be asked to solicit door prizes. The BB Mann Hall will donate a pair of tickets to a performance. Prof. Rollins and Dr. Duda will produce a video to be streamed as well as poster displays. Invitees will include the mentor teachers, interns, school principals and district superintendents.
 - c. Prof. Van Voorhis reported that students this term are displaying a great deal of excitement about learning and are showing initiative. She stated that students in her evening class were grateful for the input provided by Prof. Rollins' interns who spoke to their class.
 - d. Dr. DeLuca reported that this term's students seem to be calm and focused. There appears to be less anxiety in comparison with other semesters. This may be a testament to the faculty and the department's efforts to make policies and procedures clear.
 - e. Prof. Rollins reported on a successful activity with her interns in which each one was asked to list each student in their class, their siblings, their favorites, etc. Through this exercise the teacher candidtes voiced their realization that they tended to focus on the outgoing children in their classrooms but did not know as much about the quieter children and the importance of connecting with every child.
 - f. Prof. Rollins also reported that 11 out of 13 students have passed the rigorous K 6 Sunshine exams. All students have passed the Pro Ed test and students stated that they felt well prepared for these exams.

g. Dr. Harrel reported that Dr. Browder has made favorable comments about seeing Edison State teacher interns out in the field and the value of their integrated units. He expressed that the principals were impressed.

2. Report on School of Education/Collegiate High School Initiatives

- a. Dr. Harrel reported that she is planning a data analysis review event at the School of Education. She will ask superintendents to send personnel to help us evaluate our data including that of live text, some critical tasks, FCTE, FEAPS internships and the impact on P 12. Dr. Harrel said that the question of how to measure P 12 data in schools of education is being addressed nationally. She suggested that we spend an hour of an Education Faculty meeting on a discussion of how we assess internal and external evaluations and the alignment of evaluation tools used by the mentor teachers, the interns and the School of Education.
- b. Dr. Harrel reporting that the Collegiate High School meeting went well and that there is a possibility of new initiatives on the horizon.

3. Internship Review Committee

- a. Dr. DeLuca reported that this committee met to decide on students who are one course short of the requirements to begin internships due to programmatic issues at the start of this program.
- b. The committee sent a list of recommendations to Dr. Harrel for consideration. Dr. Harrel accepted their recommendations and approved Individualized Studies for the relevant students.
- c. Dr. DeLuca will notify the individual students.

4. Graduation Update

- a. Dr. Deluca checked with Dr. Beeson who in turn emailed Cindy Lewis to clear up graduation date details.
- b. Cindy Lewis indicated the baccalaureate ceremony for education students will be on Friday, May 7. Each student will be allowed four tickets to graduation. Cindy Lewis said that she would be notifying students soon.

5. SWFL Reading Festival

- a. Dr. Deluca reported that over 40 students and faculty members from the School of Education are involved as volunteers.
- b. Over 20 students will be performing. This is a first for Edison State College.

6. Updates on Assessment Proposals

a. Most have been received. SCE 4940 and EDE 4940 still need to be submitted.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Elaine Schaeffer

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