MINUTES School of Education Meeting April 4, 2011

Meeting commenced at 5:50 PM

In attendance: Dr. Erin Harrel, Professor Elysha O'Brien, Professor Elaine Schaeffer, Professor Grace Campbell, Professor Mary Robertson, Professor Dianne Konkel, Professor Ellen Keegan, Professor Mary Harder, Dr. Tom Michel, Professor Lonni Howington, Professor Joyce Gelfand, Dr. Martin Tawil, Professor Joyce Dye, Dr. Regina Miller, Professor Jim Devine, Professor Peggy VanVoorhis, Professor Ofelina Patten, Professor Mary Ellen Schultz, Professor Gloria Carter, Professor Joyce Rollins, Dr. William Dwyer, and Barbara Miley.

- I. Professor Rollins welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- II. Dr. Harrel gave an update on the recent events at the college.
- III. Dr. Harrel thanked everyone for their hard work during the semester and stated that the level of respect that is demonstrated to each other and our students is wonderful. She asked that everyone remain student centered and noted that our teacher candidates are doing very well in their schools which is a testimony to the efforts being put forth in the department.
- IV. Dr. Harrel stated that the college is accredited by S.A.C.S., the Elementary Education program is state approved, and the remaining programs are in the process of being reviewed for state approval.
- V. Professor Joyce Rollins did a presentation on communication using True Colors®.
- VI. Professor Rollins stated that the Internship Ceremony would take place on May 2nd at 7:00 PM and Graduation will take place on May 4th at 7:00 PM.
- VII. Professor Rollins stated that beginning in the fall students will be required to complete ten hours of service learning per semester. Partnerships currently in place include WGCU Literacy, ArtFest, Child Care Centers (Lee and Collier campuses), and tutoring at ECHS-Lee and ECHS-Charlotte. Professor Rollins stated that we are looking for more opportunities and the opportunity for more faculty to get involved.
- VIII. Professor Rollins stated that textbook adoptions for the fall are due to the bookstore by April 15th. She asked that faculty teaching the same course spend a few minutes discussing the textbook and comparing the assignments.
- IX. Professor Rollins stated that it is time for the adjunct portfolio conferences and ESOL consultations. She asked everyone to make sure that they are scheduled before the end of May.

The meeting concluded at 8:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by Barbara Miley