



School of Education  
August 14, 2024, 1:30 p.m.  
Department Meeting U-218

Present: Dr. Anne Angstrom, Dr. Sherry Blanset, Dr. Diane Brantley, Kathie DiLascio, Dr. April Fleming, David Koehler, Dr. Julia Kroeker, Dr. Regina Miller, Dr. Terri Ratini, Dr. Joyce Rollins, Dr. Kelly Roy, Dr. Angela Valuta.

April Fleming welcomed the Team back and introduced new faculty: Dr. Diane Brantley and Dr. Angela Valuta.

**Administrative Updates:** April Fleming reported:

- School of Education Vision centered on three foundational pillars designed to inspire our students, faculty and the broader educational community to reach new heights in professional and personal development:
  - **Innovation:** Innovation in Teaching and Learning, we are committed to pioneering new teaching methodologies and educational technologies that enhance our students' learning experiences. We will introduce cutting-edge resources and digital tools into our curriculum, aiming to make our classrooms more interactive, inclusive and adaptable to the needs of all learners. The goal is to prepare educators who are not only skilled in traditional teaching methods, but who are also forward-thinking and equipped to handle the challenges of modern educational environments.
  - **Community:** Strengthening Community Connections, a strong sense of community is vital to foster an educational environment that values collaboration, diversity, and mutual respect. We will expand our outreach to local schools, educational nonprofits, and community organizations to build partnerships that provide our students with real-world teaching and leadership experiences. We will also increase our efforts to engage alumni, bringing their expertise and experiences back into our classrooms to enrich our current students' educational journeys.
  - **Excellence:** Building on Academic Excellence, our commitment to academic excellence remains unwavering. We will continue to support scholarly work that contributes to the field of education. This includes developing mentorship programs, securing grant funding for important projects and opportunities for professional development focused on key educational challenges. By promoting a rigorous academic atmosphere, we aim to develop thoughtful leaders who will shape the future of education.
- The School of Education theme for the 2024-25 school year: "Re-Think the Box".
- SoE Leadership:
  - Dr. Anne Angstrom, Associate Dean
  - Dr. Joyce Rollins, Department Chair, ELED
  - Dr. Kelly Ross, Coordinator ECE

- Role/Responsibility for Associate Dean:
  - Gather/report data (FLDOE reporting)
  - In conjunction with the Dean, develop and foster growth of SoE Study Abroad experience
  - Liaison for school districts (attend monthly partnership calls)
  - Supervise Adjunct faculty for SoE ELED and ECE
  - Collaborate with Chair and coordinate on schoolwide scheduling, including faculty assignments
  - Develop and foster community partnerships
  - Manage SoE social media platforms
- Reporting: all faculty and staff will continue to report to Dr. Fleming.
  - Staff: if you are going to be out of the office let Dr. Fleming know.
  - Faculty: if you are sick and will not be able to teach ground course, or are running late or need to modify the format of a class (for one session), please make sure Kathie and Dr. Fleming are aware. Any signage related to changes should be posted by Kathie if you are unable to post yourself.
- Teacher Tribune: SoE Newsletter will have two issues per academic year, October and March
- New Program Updates
  - TAP: Spring 2025
  - BS Educational Studies: 2025-26 academic year
- EDF 2085: to be removed as a program completion requirement, will move through Curriculum Committee this year and become effective 2025-26 academic year
- Emergency Readiness Training: all faculty to complete by 8/30/2024.
- Study Abroad: 2025 SoE trip to Ireland is being planned
- Save the Date:
  - Meet the Dean, 9/10/24, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m., U-218
  - SoE Fall Fest 2024, 10/25/24, Escape Room followed by dinner

Associate Dean Angstrom reported:

- SoE website has been updated
- Developing Canvas course for faculty and staff

ELED Chair Rollins reported:

- Simple Syllabus due 8/15/24 by 5:00 p.m., Angela Valuta and Diane Brantley due 8/16/24 by 5:00 p.m.
- Discussed Recency of Experience
- Faculty Mentors: new full-time and new adjunct faculty, Gina Miller will mentor Diane Brantley and Joyce Rollins will mentor Angela Valuta. Adjuncts will be annually.
- 240 Tutoring: 30-day subscription with mandatory 16 hours spent on content

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

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