## Minutes

# Department of Speech Communication and Foreign Languages Fernando Mayoral, Chair

February 10, 2017 at 9 a.m. in I 223

	Present	Absent	Excused
Administration			
<b>Faculty</b>			
Fernando Mayoral	X		
John Connell	X		
Ann Eastman	X		
Cynthia Enslen	X		
Ron Feemster	X		
Dani Peterson	X		
Katie Paschall	X		
Myra Walters	X		

	Present	Absent	Excused
Adjunct Faculty			
Eliut Gonzalez	X		
Jan Klein	X		
John Pause	X		
Carol Roark	X		
Rebecca Yost	X		
Joyce Puls	X		
Guest			
n/a			

- I. The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by Fernando Mayoral, Chair.
- II. Minutes for the January 13, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved (Walters moved to approve and Connell seconded).

## III. Old Business

- A. Program Proposal for RN to BSN Update
  - 1. Chair Mayoral suggested that some speech faculty attend the proposal meetings when they discuss revised gen ed requirements (there is a possibility that speech may become an elective in that program).
  - 2. Walters is on the proposal committee and will keep us appraised of the ongoing debate.
- B. Walters suggested that we research to see what other Florida schools are doing with the speech requirement.

## IV. Reports

- A. Learning Assessment Committee
  - 1. We met all our SLOs for the Informative Speech Assessment.
  - 2. These things stood out.
    - a. The categories of Support and Non-verbal Vocal increased in SPC 1017.
    - b. Introductions and Conclusions still need work.
  - 3. Joe Van Gaalen said it was a good report overall.
  - 4. Our group briefly brainstormed ways to address improvement in Introduction and Conclusion scores.

# B. Professional Development

- 1. We discussed adjunct portfolio workshops.
- 2. We discussed textbook affordability.
  - a. Walters brought the state statute for affordability to our attention and related that there is specific training for selection.
  - b. It is called "Training for Textbook Selection."
  - c. Klein asked if these types of training could be videotaped for those who had difficulty attending live sessions.
  - d. Yost announced the "Online Teaching Institute "Helping Students to a Path to Success" would be held on March 18.

### C. New Business

- 1. Eastman suggested that we review our book choice for SPC 1017.
  - a. This would take effect in Fall 2018.
  - b. Eastman volunteered to head the book selection committee.
  - c. Klein volunteered to be on the committee.

- 2. Chair Mayoral announced that the Hendry Glades Center was looking to expand to serve the Clewiston area.
  - a. It will need teachers that will travel to LaBelle to teach Speech and Foreign Language.
  - b. FSW is in the process of recruiting high school students from Clewiston to come to LaBelle for Spring 2018.
  - 3. We discussed the draft for the Description of Chair Position.
    - a. We discussed the duties of the chair and recent changes.
      - (1) Walters said the chair no longer handles student problems.
      - (2) She added that the chair is no longer required to serve on the selection committee for new hires.
    - b. We discussed course release time.

### D. Announcements

- 1. Our self-evaluation form is due February 13<sup>th</sup>.
- 2. We might be selected individually for SSE (Student Survey of Engagement).
- 3. March 18<sup>th</sup> is an opportunity for Professional Development (online institute).
- 4. Our next meeting will be held on April 14th.
- V. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. (Walters moved to close and Eastman seconded)

Respectfully submitted,

Ann B. Eastman, Ed.D. Professor of Speech Communication