

School of Teaching and Learning

September 22, 2009

Agenda:

1. Minutes
2. Search meeting 9/8/08
3. Spring schedule
4. EECE specialty area change—John (action)
5. EECE online/evening courses—Ann, Lynn (discussion)
6. Faculty review policy—draft policy attached (discussion)
7. Dual Major—EECE/SpEd (discussion)

Present: Barb Martin, Lisa Staiger, Solveig Bartz, Lynn Mahlum, Jessica Molstre, Valerie Ritland, Melody Chuang, Peggy Rittenhouse, Erin Gillett, Renee Kerzman, Ann Goldade, Dean Mollerud, Becky Williams, Jerry Stigman, Ron Messelt, Bruce Harmon, John Benson, Barb Worman, Mary Dosch, Sue Severson.

Sue announced that Dan Kirk has been made aware of the flooding issue in Lommen, and the concerns during the Lommen renovation about the location of instructors' offices in relation to the classrooms in which they will be teaching.

Approval of the Sept. 8, 2008 minutes. Add Camille Brandt's name to those present at the Sept. 8th meeting. Special Education 494/594 was approved as a writing intensive course.

A motion, and a second was made to accept the minutes of Sept. 8. Voted to approve minutes.

The search committee met on Sept. 8, 2008. There will be no new instructor searches this year.

The dean searches for the College of Education and Human Services and College of Social and Natural Sciences will go forth.

Spring schedule is done. Corrections/changes will need to be done through the registrar's office. Thank you to the coordinators for their hard work on the schedule. Meeting times have been built into the schedule for Wed. mornings 8:30-9:30 and Fri. mornings from 8:30-10:30. A motion and a second was made to accept the schedule with the realization that there will be changes/corrections made before spring registration begins. Voted to approve the schedule.

EECE specialty area change. John Benson talked about changing the requirement in Communication Arts and Literature from English 372 to English 282. The reasoning for this is that there have been changes in English that requires a prerequisite for English 372. The chair in the English dept. felt English 282 would be a better fit for our majors, giving our majors much the same background they would have received in English 372, without the prerequisite issue. The change has been approved by the Teacher Prep committee. John is asking for support from STL for the change in the specialty area.

It was moved, seconded, and approved to support the change in the specialty area of Communication Arts and Literature.

EECE evening / online courses. There was discussion about offering evening / online courses in EECE. There is a need in the community for SPED teachers to have an EECE background. Our SPED majors would also benefit as they would be classified as highly qualified if they also had an EECE background.

Sue discussed the STL Policy on Renewal and Policy on Tenure and Promotion. Peggy Rittenhouse and Valerie Ritland will form a committee to study this and make sure our policies are in line with the IFO contract.

Coordinator reports. Ann reported that there are 115 students in the SPED 320 class, and 97 of those students are volunteering in the community. Congratulations to the instructors of these students.

Dean reported that there are two classes on the spring schedule that still need to be staffed.

John said there were 50 students who took the department essay on Friday. Next semester, there are 20 students enrolled in PFY.

Lynn told us of the upcoming professional development day for the students in field experiences. This event will actually be a day and a half this year.

Peggy stated that NCATE information will soon be posted on the bulletin board outside of Lommen 204. All the data that has been collected for NCATE needs to be condensed into 30 pages. Committees are working on this.

Notes. Dual majors are coming; consider Elementary Education/Special Education or EECE/Special Education. We need to work on curriculum assessment.

Meeting adjourned: 9:30 am