

School of Teaching and Learning
Oct. 20, 2008

Agenda:

1. Approval of meeting minutes
 2. Lommen renovation
 - a. Meeting Oct. 31
 3. Meeting with Jean Sando
 4. ED 294 - Mary Dosch - discussion
 5. Renewal, promotion, tenure policy (committee) - Action
 6. Faculty Survey - Ann - discussion
 7. ED Foundations - Dean
 8. EECE - John
 9. SpEd - Ann
 10. Teacher Education/Field Experiences - Lynn
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Present: Sue Severson (chair), Becky Williams, Melody Chuang, Deanne Borgeson, Dean Mollerud, Heather Sand, Lynn Mahlum, Valerie Ritland, Peggy Rittenhouse, Ann Goldade, Keri DeSutter, Steve Street, Jerry Stigman, Ron Messelt, Teresa Shume, Lisa Staiger, Barb martin, Coleen Roller, Jessica Molstre, Erin Gillett, Mary Dosch, Camille Brandt, Barb Worman

A motion was made to approve the minutes of Oct. 6, 2008.

Suggestion was made that when corrections are made to previous minutes that the original wording is referenced with the correction. A second was made and the minutes were approved.

Lommen renovation. Holmquist is still the choice for relocation. Dan Kirk is waiting on code approval from the state. Plan B seems to be the Annex building. Dan Kirk will meet with us on Oct. 31. Please e-mail questions to Sue that you would like addressed by Dan Kirk. She will compile all the questions and forward them to Dan Kirk.

Jean Sando has expertise in merging majors. She will help us plan a strategy on how to revise our program. Do we want to create a dual major? Do we want a double major? Do we want our program to stay the way it is? Jean will meet with us in December and help us plan our program revisions.

Mary Dosch spoke about ED 294 and trying to get it approved for Dragon Core. APAC wants ED 294 to be structured for all students. Doing that would take away some points that are pertinent to education majors. There are also BOT standards that are in ED 294 that need to be kept. It was suggested Mary check with the records office for MnSCU directives regarding ED 294. More investigating will be done before trying to get ED 294 to APAC.

Peggy Rittenhouse and Valerie Ritland explained their work on the Renewal, Promotion, Tenure Policy. They passed around a handout with explanations on PDP's and procedures. Peggy mentioned that there is enough faculty that each faculty member should not have to serve on more than two committees unless they want to. Faculty members will read through the policy and the policy will be part of the agenda for the next STL staff meeting on Nov. 3.

Ann Goldade passed out a Staff Survey. This is a brief survey in order to develop a faculty research community and so staff can get to know each other better and work toward meeting STL goals. Ann invited staff to join her in the Library on Friday afternoon to work on research.

Dean Mollerud reported on Foundations. He still has one teaching spot open in spring semester for Classroom Management. There are two universal meeting times built into the schedule next semester. They are Wednesday mornings from 8:30-9:30 and Friday mornings from 8:30-10:30. The 367J Texas class is almost complete. Dean mentioned that he has a GPS system that works well. Talk to Dean if you would like to borrow it.

When you get summer school advising questions, please keep a record of them. We don't know what will be available for summer classes, yet. Send suggestions to Dean for Foundations courses that you would like to see offered this summer.

Use the Academic Resource Office for students who are not getting needed classes due to enrollment issues.

Ann Goldade reported on the Special Education program. She is working on getting a blog up and running so people interested in SpEd will be able to communicate with each other and keep up to date on happenings.

Lynn Mahlum will be sending out an e-mail about Professional Development Day. This day helps students who will be going out into the classroom. It is planned for Dec. 11 from 4:00-8:00 pm and Dec. 12 from 8:30 am - 2:30 pm. She will be asking for volunteers for this time. Erin mentioned that this is a good opportunity for instructors who are writing their PDP's. This time can be part of the Service to Students section of the PDP.

Steve Street said the STL meetings are going well this semester. It is good to see that faculty are working together to address the tough issues we face

Ann Goldade was named to the President's Visionary Task Force.

Meeting adjourned 9:35 am.