



FAUS & COE RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Monday, December 6, 2010

3:00-4:15 p.m.

MINUTES

Present: Julie Hector, John Hardman, Nancy Brown, Lydia Bartram, Glenn Thomas, Steve Rios, Terry Watson, Debbie Snyder (by telephone), Kathleen Melrose (by telephone), Trish Konopelko (by telephone), Kathleen Perez (by telephone), D’Jion Jackson (by telephone)

Minutes from November 1, 2010 meeting were approved by unanimous decision.

Co-Chair Report: Steve Rios

The COE SAC 10th Research Symposium was a success. Dr. Rios thanked Cindy Harrison and Emily Bogart for driving all the way from St. Lucie to attend and participate, and thanked the panelists and presenters.

President Saunders and Dean Bristor spoke at the event, and Terri Watson and John Hardman were addressed on a panel along with others.

Afterwards, Terri Watson and President Saunders talked to one another about attrition at the University. Dr. John Hardman will drop a copy of his dissertation off to President Sanders for her to read.

Lydia Bartram, Terri Watson, John Hardman, and Emily Bogart were among the presenters at the Symposium. Committee members expressed their appreciation for this gathering, where immediate connections could be observed between the work that was presented and what can transpire.

Discussion of Committee Goals:

School specific dissemination plans were discussed, and each school plans to prepare a draft that addresses the 10 points of dissemination by our February meeting.

Other possibilities for dissemination were addressed, such as PD 360, an online professional development site where projects can be viewed and new projects can be added to its library.

The question arose of how to get on to PD360 if the guest user’s I.D. had expired. Glenn Thomas said that he would look into a license that can extend from Pre K and up. Slattery could also benefit from this tool. Possibly the COE could pay for a subscription. Glenn Thomas and Dr.

Hodge will examine the site and see if it is cost effective. Kathleen Melrose has information on PD 360 that she can send to Glenn Thomas.

Other dissemination routes include the following ideas:

- Video links: A high definition camera will be available in spring of 2011 (after Pine Jog is finished with it) that could serve this purpose. Julie Hector and Dr. Rios could work on this piece.
- A dissemination plan could be located at the back of our annual Research Report
- Glenn Thomas addressed how there are 2 layers of work: local and academic penetration. There is a gray area regarding how to disseminate in areas like Okeechobee County and Martin County: places that we have not spent a great deal of time and effort with.
- Dr. Brown suggested getting dissemination connected with degree programs. For example, Dr. Bjorklund could present in a Child Development class. This would lessen the time that dissemination often takes to have any effect. For most cases, once work is presented in a journal, it is usually 7 to 8 years old.
- We could have a shortened version of the Research Report available on our web page.
- We could have a shortened version of our Research Report and/or newsletter available in the University School lobbies so that people can read them while they are waiting. It could be in the form of a 1 page (front and back) with web references.
- This could be sent to other schools in our area as well.

Lab School Reports:

Palm Pointe: The Rally Reading schoolwide research team continues with their research, and they meet with Dr. Jim McLaughlin and Julie Hector on a monthly basis. They will soon begin working on an IRB for this project.

- 1) **Slattery:** Dr. Nancy Brown reported that they are implementing a professional development course for Slattery teachers. The first days of the course focused on integrating creative arts into curriculum. They are connecting with community organizations such as the Boca Ballet and Soul Children's Theatre. This spring, the last credit will concentrate on book making, poetry, and drama.
- 2) **Henderson:** Ongoing research continues, and Dr. Terri Watson is consulting with individual teacher researchers while Dr. McLaughlin and Julie Hector continue meeting with the Henderson schoolwide action research team (HEART). This team is focusing on the CHAMPs program and how it is being implemented at the school.

Other business:

The committee discussed holding a research mixer in the spring, and they will begin making plans in early 2011. They also talked about dedicating a day to touring the different University schools.

Ideas for the fall research newsletter were confirmed, which include an interview with Dr. McLaughlin and presenting the new committee members. A roundup of research will be the focal point of the newsletter.

Next Committee Meeting: January 24, 2011
 Melby Center
 3:00 pm