

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Secondary Teacher Education Coordinating Committee (STECC)
Minutes
January 18, 2013
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
COE, Dean's Conference Room 211, Boca Raton Campus

I. Welcome

Attendance

Julie Lambert, David Binniger, Jenifer Bird, Joe Furner, Susannah Brown, Tammy Knipp, Chris Beetle, Evan Bennett, Ana Escuder, Adam Bradford, and Eileen Ariza

II. Approval of November 16, 2012 Minutes

Joe Furner made a motion to approve the minutes and a second by David Binniger. The November 16th minutes were approved.

Minutes will be posted on the College of Education Website for STECC.

III. New and Continuing Business

A. NCATE Update- Susannah Brown for Dr. Barbara Ridener

All the program areas will be having a meeting next Friday, 1/25 in the Teaching and Learning Department. The reports have been submitted. More information will be shared at the next meeting.

Quality Enhancement Program (QEP) and undergraduate research as related to SACS Accreditation are the main discussion now across the university. Jennifer Bird talked about her students submitting undergraduate research projects to the QEP committee. Projects will be displayed in libraries across campuses to highlight undergraduate research. Jennifer Bird gave an example of research in her course on a novel and students had to develop a creative research presentation.

Susannah asked for examples of research that would apply to our programs.

Joe Furner said that his students completed literature reviews on mathematics education. One example was that he had a student research the benefits of calculators. The student's research was published in the state level journal.

In order to submit a research project for recognition by the QEP committee visit the website www.fau.edu/QEP

Students can download a form and submit it to the QEP committee for recognition of research projects. Guidelines are found on the website. QEP encourages the culture of undergraduate research.

We discussed whether this could be a feature on course syllabi.

Another example of undergraduate research for Mathematics is in the Math for Liberal Arts course shared by Ana Escuder.

Math for liberal arts course section designated for elementary education teachers. Students are keeping a journal of their experiences in the course and reflecting on their growth and learning.

- B. Program Updates and contact people from each department for advising purposes
Josephine Elliot from the Dept. of Teaching and Learning would contact faculty about course questions. Science and math have centralized advising in the dean's office. Biology advisor – David Binniger; Physics -Cory Sorge; Chemistry – Jerry Hakey; Visual Art - Sandy Lent, Math- Glen Malo, Stephen Locke
English - Chantell Maxwell; History – Patricia Kollander

Updates on Courses:

David Binniger said genetics will be available both semesters (summer and fall). History of Florida will be available during the summer online. Cap – 60, online 55 students.

Math Department – has several online courses.

E-learning Initiatives – <http://www.fau.edu/cel/>

Faculty can be paid as an overload from e-learning.

Faculty can still apply even if they have taught the course online previously.

Jennifer Bird attended the e-learning training and her course now has the National Quality Accreditation.

Joe Furner – attended a Sloan Institute training for hybrid course.

<http://www.fau.edu/cel/faculty/sloan-c/index.php>

- C. Department Reports

English Dept. – raising caps on classes (ex. Literature for adolescents, AML 2010, 2030s) to increase availability.

COE Teaching and Learning Dept. will no longer offer summer coursework that require students to go out to schools.

Visual Arts and Art History Dept. - Tammy Knipp asked if any one would want to volunteer to be an outside committee member for the MFA program. Tammy is now the MFA director. Susannah Brown replied that she was interested.

Biology – David Binniger - Science Olympiad – February 16th

4 neuroscience faculty are moving to the Jupiter campus and Biotech companies are moving into the area.

Nobel Laureate - soon to be announced.

History – Patricia Kollander announced a two day symposium (February 20-21) Focus on Lincoln. They will show *Glory* on the 19th.

Math- Ana Escuder announced a math competition on Internet.

Math Education- Joe Furner discussed new assessments for courses and program.

English- Sika Dagbovie-Mullins sent a link for their department to announce the many lectures that are upcoming.

http://fau.edu/english/english_upcomingevents.php

Foreign Language Education – Eileen Ariza is teaching the Foreign Language Methods Seminar this spring.

IV. Meeting Dates

10:00-12:00 P.M. Friday, March 22, 2013

V. Adjourn