

FAUS & COE Research Committee Minutes
Monday, September 26, 2011
3:15 - 4:15 pm

Present: Steve Rios, Terri Watson, Julie Hector, Lydia Bartram, John Hardman, Glenn Thomas, and Lorraine Cross

Present via Telephone from Palm Pointe Educational Research School: Principal Debra Snyder, Trish Konopelko, and Heather Davis

Minutes from April meeting were unanimously approved. John Hardman motioned to approve, Terri Watson seconded motion.

Assistant Dean Update:

Glenn Thomas reported the need for a parallel description between school sites within the FAU Research Guidelines (page 2). Debra Snyder agreed to submit a description of Palm Pointe Educational Research School which will be included within the first page of the guidelines. It was shared by Glenn Thomas that Julie Hector will follow-up with linking the Resource Guide for School Base Researchers to the website. Glenn Thomas reported about an e-mail he received from a researcher in the College of Speech and Language who is interested in conducting a Clinical Trial. Since this has not been done at FAU, an IRB permitter from another university will review and create a structure protocol for clinical trial research. Additional information to come regarding this study will be reported to the committee.

**Research and Development Guidelines
Committee and Procedures for FAUS**

School site administrators, agreed upon preliminary approval from Lab School administrators prior to IRB approval. Steve Rios suggested the following revisions within the guidelines under Specific Approval Steps:

1. Make an appointment to present proposed research with school site or center administrator responsible for approval to discuss how proposed research aligns with the consideration for prospective researchers (found on page __ of this document).

Contacts and Research/Development Liaisons: will be moved from page 4 to page 5 under Questions about research review procedures or the acceptability of research practices should be referred to.

Corrections will be made to the spelling of Debra Snyder's name and e-mail. Palm Pointe should be referred to as Palm Pointe Educational Research School.

Revisions to guidelines should be sent to Terri Watson. Appreciation was expressed for Terri's hard work in developing the guidelines.

It was suggested for school sites to upload these guidelines to websites. Although Palm Pointe Educational Research School does not have control of uploading documents to website, Andre will be notified to upload the documents. These guidelines will be linked and forwarded to College of Education research committee, IRB site and school websites. In addition, samples of completed IRB's will be sent to Julie and posted as examples for prospective researchers.

3D Logo- Appreciation was expressed to Teresa Crane for creating a 3D logo. It was suggested by Lorraine Cross to soften the font in 3D. John Hardman identified how the picture of Pine Jog Elementary School should reflect Pine Jog Center. Julie Hector will forward the changes to Teresa. Additional revisions suggested by committee members included increasing the font size of school names and making the font of the Letter R in research similar to the D in 3D.

FAU COE- Research Summary Reports are due. Palm Pointe's research meeting is on October 11th. Trish Konopelko will forward the Research Summary Report at that time.

Julie Hector e-mailed the committee an article about the virtual research symposium. This article will be posted in the NALS newsletter. Committee members were asked to review the article and forward any revisions to Julie.

School Reports:

Palm Pointe Educational Research School

Doctorate student Shantel Gagnon is finishing up a study which investigates the factors that contribute to bullying and victimization by peers.

The committee discussed incorporating Research Moving Forward as an ongoing agenda item. First research meeting of the year for teachers interested in conducting action research studies will be held on October 11th.

Steve Rios reported the possibility of Doctoral Students working with Palm Pointe. Trish Konopelko has contacted Dr. Gallery who hopes to attend our next research meeting on October 24th.

Lorraine Cross suggested an Open House for Research Professors to visit Palm Pointe. The committee agreed this would be a great way for professors to collaborate with the university school site. The open house will take place on October 24th from 1:30-2:30. Julie Hector will work on a flyer to promote the event.

Karen Slattery Center:

The following new studies are underway:

1. From the Department of Psychology: Change Detection in Screens Depicting Social Exchange.

2. Development of Tool Use and Problem Solving with Young Children
3. Looking at Tool use in Children and how they use them in Nature.

Lydia Bartram was selected for Public Policy Chair for Florida Early Childhood Education and will participate in a National Convention.

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Permission slips sent out for a study focusing on perceptions of immature and mature features displayed by young children. Adults will look at photographs and profile students based on facial expressions.

Terri Watson has formed research committee at her school site. Steven Rios is the current co-chair of the committee. There are six participating teachers meeting monthly as a part of their Individual Professional Development Plans.

All PE teachers will incorporate Brain Gym within the curriculum. The study will focus on how Brain Gym affects Reading and Math Scores.

In addition, fifth grade students will be taking ballroom dancing twice a week. The school will host a Dancing with the Hawks potluck dinner for parents.

Lorraine Cross asked if Palm Pointe could share the Action Research PowerPoint with other school sites. Terri Watson invited Lydia Bartram and Palm Pointe researchers to participate in a conference call on October 27th at 3 pm. This will allow collaboration between university school site research committees.

As co-chair of the committee, Steve Rios will cover the Basics in Educational research. He offered to send Palm Pointe the text he will be referencing. This meeting will focus on Generating a Research Question.

Major Dissemination Event (Mixer, Symposium) Items will be discussed during our next meeting.

Next Meeting scheduled for October 24th.