

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
Secondary Teacher Education Coordinating Committee
Minutes
March 22, 2013
10:00 – 12:00 P.M.
COE, Dean's Conference Room 211

In Attendance: Julie Lambert, Don Ploger, Andy Brewer, Susanah Brown, Eileen Ariza, Jennifer Bird, Joanne Jasin (for Sika Dagbovie-Mullins), Evan Bennett, and Chris Beetle

I. Approval of minutes (January 18, 2013)

Don Ploger made a motion to approve the January 18, 2013 minutes and Andrew Brewer seconded the motion.

The minutes were approved by unanimous vote of members present.

II. New Business

NCATE/CAEP Update- Discussion will resume in the fall of 2013.

2013 Summer/Fall Schedule (course rotation)

English – Boca campus isn't offering World Literature Critical Approaches (a required course) as often. It seems that previously it was offered every semester. Joanne Jasin brought up the issue of the course, Structure of Modern English. The department does not have a lower division grammar course and the course is being taught to "two audiences" (those students majoring in English and those who are not). Andrew Brewer asked whether English Department courses are addressing Common Core Standards and Joanne Jasin will follow up.

History - Florida History course will be offered online in the summer 2013 and on the Jupiter Campus in fall 2013. The department is rotating their offerings of this course.

The QEP was discussed. Research initiatives and honors within the programs was a topic of interest.

III. Continuing Business

Secondary Education Degree Information Sheets

There were no updates to the information sheets at this time.

Departmental Reports

Biology – David Binninger sent a report by email. He reported that the first Life Science Symposium in STEM was held in Miami Dade College. This was a conference for undergraduates to present their science research efforts. Students from FAU, FIU, Miami Dade, Nova Southeastern, PBSC, UM, Florida Gulf Coast attended. Two

FAU biology students took first and second place in poster competition, which include over 50 posters.

English Education – Sharon Crawley is retiring from the Reading Education program.
Social Studies Education – Andrew Brewer and Penelope Fritzer have been working with the History department, Christopher Strain, and the Palm Beach Schools on a grant.

Math Education – Don Ploger is collaborating with Engineering Department to use robotics to teach math and they are piloting the program with A. D. Henderson University School students.

Physics – The department is working to revise course curriculum.

Science Education – Julie Lambert reported that her NOAA proposal was submitted to develop a GeoBrowser tool.

Foreign Language Methodology – Eileen Ariza reported that the Foreign Language methods class is going well this spring.

History – The department chair is stepping down and a search will start in the fall 2013 semester.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50.