Minutes

College of Education Faculty/Staff Meeting
Friday, August 19, 2011
9:30 am – 10:50 am

Goudes Lecture Hall
COED 010


1. Call to Order
   a. The role of College of Education meetings in the life of the College – Dean Calhoun reviewed the importance of attending these college meetings. The purpose of these meetings is to gather information, to do strategic work together and to take action as part of our college governance.
   b. Approval of Minutes, 4-15-11 – Dr. Bruce Taylor made the motion that the minutes be approved.
      Dr. Drew Polly seconded the motion. Minutes were approved by common consent.
   c. Circulation of roster – Dean Calhoun reminded everyone to sign the roster, if they have not already done so, before exiting the meeting.
   d. Review of handouts – A special thanks to Drs. Vicki Jaus and Teresa Petty for their work on the Conceptual Framework document (Professional Educators Transforming Lives) that was a handout. The Dean reviewed the rest of the handouts. An updated COED Handbook can be found electronically on the College’s website under Faculty Resources.

2. News from our community
   In memoriam Dr. Jonnie McLeod – presented by Pam Lassiter
   Pam Lassiter spoke about the recent passing of Dr. Jonnie McLeod, who created change in the community and was known for her work on substance abuse. Dr. McLeod was Professor of Human Services (a program of study related to our counseling programs) from 1980-1996.
In memoriam Dr. Bob Pittillo – presented by Jim Lyons
Jim Lyons remembered Bob Pittillo who was a Professor in Educational Leadership and a great mentor to faculty and students.

Recognitions, transitions, celebrations
✓ The Dean expressed condolences to Charlie Wood, Jim Watson, Heather Coffey and Lisa Newman on the passing of their family members.
✓ Good wishes to Bonnie Morton on her recovery from knee surgery. She will return after Labor Day.
✓ Deana Deason was married this summer.
✓ Richard Hartshorne has resigned from the faculty and has taken a new position at Central Florida.
✓ Tim Rogers accepted the permanent position of Director of Development.
✓ Michael Green is the new UNC Charlotte Faculty President.
✓ Congratulations to Bruce Taylor for receiving the Bonnie E. Cone Early Career Professorship in Teaching.
✓ Jack Piel has been named a finalist for the 2011 Bank of America Award for Teaching Excellence.
✓ Corey Lock, Jack Piel and Melba Spooner celebrated 25 years of service to UNC Charlotte.
✓ There are two new doctors in the house, Drs. Joyce Brigman and Sue Rebich.
✓ Dr. Jack Culbreth was promoted to Full Professor.
✓ Dr. Charlie Wood and Dr. Michael Matthews were promoted to Associate Professor.
✓ The following were reappointed to Assistant Professor: Dr. Lyn Ahlgrim-Delzell, Dr. Peggy Ceballos, Dr. Meredith DiPietro, Dr. Paul Fitchett, Dr. Rebecca Shore, Dr. Pamela Shue, and Dr. Tehia Starker.

CDF Freedom School thank you – Sherell Fuller
Sherell thanked everyone for their support of Freedom School this summer. A special thanks to Mary Lynne and Joan Lorden whose support of Freedom School has made a difference in the lives of children, and to Victor Mack for his outstanding logistical help.

3. Welcome to new colleagues. The following were introduced:

Staff
Hannah Grover, MDSK - introduced by Warren DiBiase
Dominick Sheppard, REEL - introduced by Jan Hinson

Grant Personnel
Jennifer Cash, Exceptional Children Consultant – introduced by Dawson Hancock
Tiana Povenmire-Kirk, CIRCLES Project Coordinator – introduced by David Test
Alicia Saunders, General Curriculum Projects – introduced by Diane Browder

Center for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education
Dr. Michelle Stephan, Associate Director – introduced by Warren DiBiase
Ed.D., Vanderbilt University

Educational Leadership
Dr. Brenda J. McMahon, Associate Professor, Educational Leadership – introduced by Dawson Hancock
Ph.D., Ontario Institute for Studies in Education
Middle, Secondary, and K12 Education
Dr. Bettie Ray Butler, Assistant Professor, Urban Education – introduced by Warren DiBiase
Ph.D., Texas A & M University

Dr. Chance Lewis, Belk Distinguished Professor,
Urban Education – introduced by Warren DiBiase and Maryann Mraz
Ph.D., Colorado State University

Reading and Elementary Education – introduced by Jan Hinson
Dr. Ian C. Binns, Assistant Professor, Elementary Education/Science Education
Ph.D., University of Virginia

Dr. Mitch Eisner, Clinical Assistant Professor, Elementary Education
Ed.D., UNC Charlotte

Dr. Mike Putman, Associate Professor, Elementary Education
Ph.D., Ball State University

Dr. Bruce VanSledright, Professor, Elementary Education Social Studies
Ph.D., Michigan State University

Special Education and Child Development
Dr. Lindsay J. Flynn, Assistant Professor, Special Education – introduced by Lee Sherry
Ph.D., University of Utah

Office of Field Experiences
Dr. Mary Jo Anderson, Supervisor/ Clinical Asst. Professor – introduced by Joyce Frazier
Ed.D., Kansas State University

Teacher Education Advising Licensure and Recruitment
Ms. Sequoya Mungo, Teacher Recruiter – introduced by Amanda Macon
M.A., NC Central; doctoral candidate, UNC Charlotte

Visiting International Faculty
Dr. Abdul Rashid Mohamad – introduced by Kok-Mun Ng
University of Science, Malaysia

Dr. Wanying Wang – introduced by Dawson Hancock
University of Hong Kong
National Center of Education and Economics, Washington, DC

4. Induction into the College of Education - Mary Lynne Calhoun/Melba Spooner/Laura Veach
Pinning ceremony for new colleagues, with assistance from faculty mentors and chairs.

5. Announcements
   • Important academic dates and deadlines – Melba Spooner
     Dr. Melba Spooner reviewed key dates and information regarding course registration, payment
     and cancellation policies, withdrawal, grading and graduation deadlines. Share this information
with your students. Please check your student rosters each week for accuracy. Census date is September 2nd. Do not schedule class or exams on Reading Day, December 8.

- Announcing a new international travel grant program – Mary Lynne Calhoun
  The Dean shared the good news that Dr. Joel Gallegos, Office of International Programs, is making available a $10,000 fund to assist in travel. A proposal will need to be submitted to receive a grant of up to $1500. Contact the Internationalization Committee for further information.

- Save the Dates
  ✓ September 1, Back to School Celebration, McKnight Auditorium, 12:30-1:45
    Dr. Misty Hathcock announced this year’s celebration. Justin Ashley will be the key note speaker.
  ✓ September 14, Constitution Day, McKnight Auditorium, “Miranda Rights at School”
    Dr. Rebecca Shore encouraged everyone to bring their class to Constitution Day where they will take on Miranda Rights.
  ✓ September 16, Bank of America Award for Excellence in Teaching, Founders Hall
    The Dean urged everyone to attend and cheer Jack on.
  ✓ September 17, NC Chapter of the National Association for Multicultural Education Research to Practice Conference, Cone Center
    Dr. Chance Lewis will be the key note speaker at this event.

  Mary Lynne shared the agenda for the upcoming year. Important agenda items this year will be preparing for SACS and NCATE. We will focus on this at our September 16th meeting. We will have a strong task force working on professional dispositions.

Mary Lynne summarized the grim situation that we face this year: It has been three years since a raise, we have had 15% in budget cuts, the Teaching Fellows program may be phased out by 2015, a number of financial supports have been abolished, we are unlikely to be awarded new faculty positions this year, and there will be fewer sections of classes which will stress our students out as they plan for a full schedule (which is needed for health care). You may be asked to accept additional students in your class or do an independent study for a student. We will need to look to our own professional disposition and become role models for our students.

There is also a reason to be optimistic. Ninety percent of our 2011 graduates are getting jobs, we have a sufficient budget to meet our needs and we have done great searches and have great people that have joined us.

Our work is worth doing!

7. Other business?
   There was no further business.

8. Adjournment
   Meeting adjourned 11:10 AM.

Next College Meeting:
Friday, September 16, 2011
9:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.
Goudes Lecture Hall
**Handouts**
College of Education Faculty/Staff Telephone Directory 2011-12
Committees and Committee Members or Representatives 2011-12
College of Education Grants and Contracts 2010-11
Academic Calendar Fall 2011
Key Dates Fall 2011
Payment and Cancellation Policy Fall 2011
December 2011 Graduation Deadlines
Record concerning a grade of Incomplete (I)
Back to School Celebration Flyer