

Dean's Report to the College of Education's College Council

November 8, 2005

New Business

- Reorganization of the administrative team in the College of Education
- Grants and Foundation Proposals Submitted
- With Marine Science, we were invited to submit a proposal to NSF, *Minorities Striving and Pursuing Higher Degrees of Success in Earth System Science (MS PHD'S) Virtual Classroom Education and Mentoring Program* for \$750,000 over three years, to partner with Rawlings Elementary School (Shirley Lorenzo, principal), Lealman Elementary School (Elaine Miles, principal), and Clearview Avenue Elementary School (Mary Jane Dann, principal) to enrich the earth science curriculum by using science mentors. There is no required commitment for the COE beyond my time dedicated to the project as co-PI. If funded, we will receive a fulltime graduate assistantship for a new student in the Math/Science masters program.
- With the Pinellas County Schools, we were invited to become their higher education partner in submitting a proposal to the Florida Department of Education, *Mentoring New Teachers in High Turn- Over Teaching Environments to Increase Teacher Retention and Improve Student Learning*. For the first part of the project, we agree to accept as students two experienced teachers from the PCSD with full tuition paid who will register for the first two courses in the Teacher Leadership Certificate Program in the Educational Leadership Program. I have discussed this with all of the Ed Leadership faculty, and they endorse our participation. For the second part of the project, the PCSD will subcontract with the COE for \$37,000 to offer staff development sessions once a month for 1 ½ hours each month for five months to new teachers at Gibbs High School on topics correlated to the curriculum on new teacher support and mentoring: teacher expectations and student achievement, creating learning communities, motivation and learning, etc. The subcontract has additional funds to support COE faculty to work with the district in developing a new teacher mentoring strand for the district's Beach Camp for all new teachers, which the district offers each August. Before submitting the grant, I spoke with several faculty members actively engaged in research in these areas and asked them if they would be interested in participating. All of them agreed to participate if the project is funded.
- We were invited by the Progress Energy Foundation to submit a renewal application for our Leadership for Results program. In addition to requesting a renewal of the \$75,000 award, we have requested an additional \$60,000 to support a Teacher Leadership Institute during the Summer of 2006, in conjunction with the Pinellas County School District.

Academic Learning Compacts

- Elementary Education and Special Education faculty have been working on the assessments for the outcomes of the Academic Learning Compacts required by the Florida Board of Governors for all undergraduate programs at SUS institutions. Lisa Kahn in Academic

Affairs is reviewing the drafts, and she will be providing us with feedback soon. The final deadline is November 18.

Council of Deans' Update

- Budget and Resource Committee approved funds for Academic Affairs to hire someone to be responsible for post-award support for grants campus-wide.
- SACS Team leader, Dr. Sandra Harper, Provost at Texas A & M, will be here all day on November 18.
- Classroom technology updates paid for by a contribution from each college include projection equipment, new arm chairs, and projection and computer cabinets. These will all be in place by the beginning of the spring semester.
- 2006-2007 Sabbatical applications due January 10, 2006. Eligible faculty in the College of Education are Bill Heller (one semester at full pay, two semesters at two-thirds pay, or two semesters at one-half pay), Terry Rose (one semester at full pay or two semesters at one-half pay), Guda Gayle-Evans (one semester at full pay), and Kim Stoddard (one semester at full pay or two semesters at one-half pay).

Progress Reports on Old Business

Assessment Pilot Progress Report

- Pilot Assessment System on new server 10/5/05
- Pilot faculty volunteers and students participating identified 10/10/05
- Pilot faculty orientation and organizational meeting 10/10/05
- Discussion board for pilot students and all COE faculty 10/12/05
- **Student orientations to the assessment system 10/15/05-11/15/05**
- **Catheryn Weitman, PhD., Barry University, conducting all day training for faculty in the pilot on how to use and score with the Accomplished Practice rubrics 11/28/05**

DOE Folio Preparation

- Folio preparation timeline coordinated with Curriculum and Program Committee, Graduate Council, and Undergraduate Council 10/1/05
- Folio Coordinators, Faculty Support and Tasks finalized 10/7/05 (Elementary Education (UG) and Reading Education (Grad), Margaret Hewitt and Jeani Fullard; ESE MAT (Grad), Bonnie Braun and Kim Stoddard), **English Education (TBA)**
- **Folio preparation meeting to discuss the syllabus template, Tandem Folio feedback and overall progress on the folios 11/14/05**
- **COE assistance for folio preparation and review**

Kappa Delta Pi Chapter for the COE

- Our application for a chapter of Kappa Delta Pi for our college was granted effective June 2005, but no faculty member has agreed to serve as a sponsor at this time, I am volunteering to serve as the faculty sponsor to get the chapter started. I plan to work closely with Brett, Lyman, and Deanna, faculty sponsors of our student organizations, to coordinate our efforts.

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