# College of Education Faculty Assembly Meeting Friday, September 19, 2008 10:00-12:00

#### **Minutes**

#### **Attendees**

**CCEI-** Yashwant Bhagwanji, Nancy Brown, James McLaughlin, Dilys Schoorman, Roberta Weber

**CE-** Michael Frain, Paul Peluso

**CS&D-** Constance Keintz, Dale Williams

Dean's Office- Valerie Bristor, Donald Torok, Eliah Watlington

**EL-** Ira Bogotch, Valerie Bryan, Lucy Guglielmino, Mary Lieberman, Patricia Maslin-Ostrowski, Dan Morris, Meredith Mountford, Robert Shockley, Diane Wright

**ES&HP-** Robert Zoeller

**ESE-** Michael Brady, Sharon Darling, Mary Lou Duffy, Peggy Goldstein, Lydia Smiley, Beverly Warde, Cynthia Wilson

Henderson School- Glenn Thomas

**OASS-** Lorraine Cross, Deborah Shepherd

**Teaching and Learning-** Jennifer Bird, Ernest Brewer, Susannah Brown, Sharon Crawley, Alyssa Gonzalez-DeHass, Rebecca Harlin, Patricia Heydet-Kirsch, Joan Lindgren, Carol Meltzer, Barbara Ridener, Felicia Romeo, Janet Towell

#### **Brief Announcements**

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:04 with an introduction of the Faculty Assembly Executive Committee (Beverly Warde-President, Ernest Andrew "Andy" Brewer-Secretary) and an apology for the rooms at the Boca Campus.
- 2. Discussion took place regarding the future Faculty Assembly meetings at the Boca Campus. It was decided that future Faculty Assembly meetings at the Boca campus will be held in the Board of Trustees room in the Administration building in order to accommodate all attendees. The other campuses will not be affected. Interim Dean Bristor stated that Steve Diaz will be working on ED 313 as a possible videoconferencing room for future meetings.
- 3. Faculty Assembly meetings for the year are: November 7 from 10-12, January 30 from 10-12, and April 17 from 10-12. These dates have been placed on the College of Education calendar.

## Minutes of April 11, 2008 meeting

Because of an issue with last April 11, 2008 Faculty Assembly attendance, a roll call was taken to identify who was present at the April meeting. The updated April 11 Faculty Assembly Meeting minutes will be sent out to the faculty and then will be voted on at the November 7, 2008 Faculty Assembly meeting.

### Dean's Talking Points- Interim Dean Bristor

• Budget

Interim Dean Bristor began by stating that things have not changed a whole lot. The Governor wants more cuts, but there are no details at the University level.

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- b. Mentoring: Started discussing mentoring this summer. She believes this is very important. Deborah Shepherd will be the point person on this initiative and welcomes input from all ranks. Mentoring does not have to be one-to-one. It can take different forms. College of Nursing was used as an example as they have three mentors per person.
- c. Sense of Community: Research lunches have been revisited. If interested in research lunches, or have any other suggestions please e-mail the Interim Dean or share with any Faculty Assembly representative.
- Status of Port St. Lucie campus and programs
  Interim Dean Bristor introduced Eliah Watlington to discuss the Status of Port St.
  Lucie programs. Vice-President McPherson recently met with Interim Dean
  Bristor and Eliah Watlington for an hour and a half to discuss concerns with
  programs, and the Community Colleges offering four year degrees. VicePresident McPherson wanted to reassure FAU COE that they have made a
  commitment to include FAU programs on the IRCC campus. This will depend on
  FAU and the programs in reference to the Mission Statement and resources. The
  Vice-President encouraged FAU to position ourselves with others for offering
  programs at IRCC. The President of the Board of Governors also wants this
  connection as well.

#### **Old/Continuing Business**

- FA elections for archivist / nominations for VP
  There are two candidates for Archivist: Alyssa DeHass and Diane Wright.
  Electronic voting has been implemented and the election will run through Friday,
  September 25.
  - There are no nominations for Vice-President. President Warde wanted to remind faculty that her term ends in April, 2009.
- Update on Dean search
  Graduate Dean Rossen was asked to attend, but scheduling made it impossible.
  He will attend the November Faculty Assembly meeting. There is no
  advertisement as that will be completed at the first meeting. The first meeting has
  not been scheduled, as of yet. The Search Committee is working to coordinate
  times. Bob Zoeller, a representative from the Dean's Search Committee stated
  that he will give an update and timeline as soon as he knows.
  Do all departments have a representative on the search committee?
  Yes.
- Statement of Principles from College Climate Survey Action Plan It was first presented at the April 11, 2008 Faculty Assembly Meeting. The item was tabled to allow faculty to discuss. Faculty Assembly Steering Committee agreed to discuss in their respective department meetings; place the document on the FAU website; and to e-mail to faculty. The Statement of Principles originated from the Climate Survey.

What is the History?

After listing results to the Climate Survey, it was apparent that an action plan was needed. Faculty was asked for input on five points that were taken from Climate Survey responses. The first comment was for a Statement of Principles. DDC formulated the Statement of Principles, headed by Carlos Diaz. The Statement of

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The third-year reviews will be addressed first and then the Promotion and Tenure portfolios. The College of Education is the only college at FAU to interview the applicants.

When the Provost is invited to meet with the P & T committee, can Faculty Assembly Steering Committee members attend as well?

The P&T committee would be open to the idea, but a vote at the April 11 meeting has led the P&T committee to believe that the faculty would rather P&T members only meet with the Provost.

### **Departmental Reports**

No departmental reports

## **Committee Reports**

No committee Reports

### **Open Discussion**

Can faculty members attend Steering Committee standing committees?

There was much discussion about the status of Standing and ad hoc committees at this time. It was decided that the Faculty Assembly Steering Committee will get a list of standing committees to faculty for next meeting.

### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15a.m. by President Warde

Submitted by, Ernest Andrew Brewer Secretary, Faculty Assembly

The Faculty Assembly is an advisory body. As