

**College of Education  
Faculty Policy Council**

Minutes of the August 29, 2016  
Regular Meeting  
Location: 158 Norman Hall

**Attendance**

**Attending:** Joe Gagnon (Chair), Diana Joyce Beaulieu (Secretary), Nancy Corbett (SESPECS), Cynthia Griffin (SESPECS), John Kranzler (SESPECS), Mary McLean (SESPECS), Zhuhui Fang (STL), Vicki Vescio (STL), Pasha Antonenko (STL), Kent Crippen (STL), Corinne Manley-Huggins (HDOSE), Kristina DePue (HDOSE), Walter Leite (HDOSE), David Therriault (HDOSE); Glen Good (Dean); Nancy Waldron (Associate Dean); Thomasenia Adams (Associate Dean); Tom Dana (Associate Dean)

**Absent:** None

**Approval of the Agenda**

Motion by to *Approve* by McLean.  
Second by Corbett.  
Agenda for the August meeting approved.

**Approval of Minutes-April FPC Meeting**

Motion by to *Approve* by Leite.  
Second by Antonenko.  
Minutes from April meeting approved.

**Informational Items**

- Over the summer, the previous FPC Committee approved the College of Education Rosser Educator Excellence Award.
- A vote will be scheduled for the previously approved “Two Recommendations for Revisions in the Constitution” from last year. Because faculty need at least one month notice, the vote will occur at the October 24 FPC meeting.
- As per last year’s recommendations, FAC will need to revisit the “Faculty Policy Council Mentoring Policy for Tenure Track and Non-Tenure Track Faculty.” Clarity was needed regarding the section on Accountability.

**Dean’s Report**

Dean Good: High Points from Last Year

- COE celebrated its 110<sup>th</sup> birthday!
- Raised record \$6.6M in gifts that towards faculty, student, & program support, & hosted largest scholarship banquet to date.
- Received record \$29M in external research funding!
- Received total of 5 preeminence faculty positions via competitive process
- Continuing progress in *USNWR* rankings, including some of best national rankings that college has ever achieved:

- Currently #1 COE in Florida, #1 public in SEC, #1 among public in SE region of nation
- UF's highest-ranked graduate college
- #1 in nation for Online graduate education programs—and quality of online students
- 4 academic programs in top 20 nationally
- Long & concerted effort to garner state appropriations to renovate Norman Hall. Received strong support from UF administration, staff, alumni, students, & politicians.
- Initial CAEP report submitted for national accreditation

#### One major challenge

- Programs want additional faculty, but declining college budget makes that quite challenging. Overall college enrollment declined another 334 students for Fall 2016, resulting in budget decrease in range of \$300-500K -- 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of declining enrollment (our enrollment decline is consistent w/other COEs in FL and nationwide). The college is also experiencing increasing fiscal assessments from UF for a variety of university expenses.
  - Have proposal for new non-educator preparation bachelor's degree underway. It is anticipated to become active in Fall of 2018.
  - Need attractive new/revitalized courses and programs, and need active contributions of ALL faculty!

#### Good news:

- Selected for UF's inaugural big idea national summit – *Starting Ahead/Staying Ahead* Early Childhood Summit
- Expanding use of technology-supported instruction across college (e.g., more students enrolled online than on face-to-face during the summer for the first time in college history).
- Renovations to Norman Hall starting following completion of Spring 2017 semester.

#### Associate Dean Waldron:

- The name of COE Student Services is being changed to *EduGator Central*. Over the past year a renovation and restructuring of the office has occurred to improve services and supports to undergrad, grad and online students. Please see the new website – and contacts page for a listing of staff and their responsibilities. <https://education.ufl.edu/student-services/contacts/>
- Final work is occurring on the *new Bachelor's degree/major in Education Studies*. This will be a college major designed for non-teacher prep students that includes specialization/concentration areas.. The plan is to submit the proposal to the College Curriculum Committee in October, the University Curriculum Committee in November, and the UF Faculty Senate and UF Board of Trustees in Spring 2017. If approval goes smoothly at all levels the new major will begin in Fall 2018.

## **Discussion Items**

- **Committee Work**

Many of you are serving on a committee as the FPC representative. In this capacity, your responsibility is to call an initial meeting and, at that meeting, to oversee the election of a committee chair from among the school representatives. Each committee should begin by:

- Setting a schedule of face-to-face meetings for the academic year (send meeting dates to FPC Secretary).
- Reviewing the description of committee responsibilities from the FPC Constitution.
- Reading end of year reports for the committee for at least the last two years (posted on FPC web site), and determining whether there are issues that have carried over from previous years.
- Reading the Strategic Planning Report (posted on FPC web site) for any information that is relevant to the committee.
- Determining an initial agenda for the committee's work.
- Sending minutes from the meeting to the FPC Secretary.

- **Identify FPC Representatives to Standing Committees**

Budgetary Affairs: David Therriault

Curriculum: Vicki Vescio

Diversity: Walter Leite

Faculty Affairs: Kent Crippen

Lectures, Seminars, and Awards: Nancy Corbett

Long Range Planning: John Kranzler

Research: Kristina DePue

Technology and Distance Ed.: Cynthia Griffin

- **Lectures, Seminars, and Awards Task**

There is a request to identify a recipient of the 2016-2017 Rosser Educator Excellence Award for COE by September 2. The FPC Rep. will need to work with committee members to accomplish this task as soon as possible. Dr. Gagnon will send the applications and award summary to the FPC Rep. identified during this meeting.

## **Adjournment**

Motion to *Adjourn* by Griffin.

Second by Antonenko.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.