Black Hills State University
College of Education
Faculty Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 27, 2008 – 12:30pm – Jonas 204

Present: Mr. Scott Ahola, Dr. John Alsup, Dr. Len Austin, Ms. Janet Briggs, Dr. David Calhoon, Dr. Richard Carriveau, Dr. Cynthia Chandler, Ms. Ruth Claeys, Dr. Greg Cooch, Ms. Linda Corey, Ms. Patty Dewey, Mr. Pat Fackrell, Ms. Kathy Finkle, Dr. Dorothy Fuller, Ms. Mary Goebel, Dr. Nancy Hall, Dr. Carol Hess, Dr. James Hesson, Ms. Micheline Hickenbotham, Dr. Michelle Hovland, Ms. Melanie Hurley, Dr. Mary Jones, Dr. Sunhwi Kim, Ms. Sandy Klarenbeek, Mr. Chris Klinger, Ms. Faye LaDuke-Pelster, Mr. Jay Long, Dr. Tim Molseed, Ms. Karen Mortimer, Ms. Dyan Nagel, Dr. Lee Pearce, Ms. Bobbi Sago, Dr. Rob Schurrer, Mr. John Scott, Dr. Betsy Silva, Dr. Pat Simpson, Ms. Jami Stone, Dr. Darlene Swartz, Mr. Mike Tolan, Ms. Rhonda Wolff
Guests: Dr. Amy Fuqua (Director, Honors Program
Ms. April Anderson (Director, Student Engagement & Community Collaboration for Prevention Grant)

N. Hall called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

Introduction of New Faculty

1) Ruth Claeys — Project SELECT Instructor
2) Patty Dewey — Coordinator, Dakota ASSETS Grant
3) Mary Jones — Assistant Professor, Indian Education
4) Chris Klinger — Instructor, Outdoor Education
5) Nancy Whitcher — Recruiter, Dakota ASSETS Grant (BHSSC employee)

Review of COE Strategic Plan

N. Hall provided an update:

Goal 1: Enhance the quality and viability of the student body in the COE
Progress:
- 14% overall growth (primarily in distance education)
- went from having 3 to 11 math/science education students
- went from having 86 to 156 MSCI students

Goal 2: Enrich the qualifications and effectiveness of the faculty
Progress:
- increase rating in relation to NCATE Standard 5 to target level regarding collaboration with colleagues in the disciplines

Goal 3: Ensure future-focused and dynamic curriculum and instruction
Progress:
- new this year: exercise science; and two tracks; health minor, ELL minor, outdoor education minor; diversity and assessment course
- focus this year on diversity proficiencies and documenting our ability to prepare educators to meet the needs of all learners

Goal 4: Build partnerships that enhance academic excellence
Progress:
- PDS governing board has been established
- elementary block faculty are launching the elementary PDS in Rapid City Fall '08

- plans are in place to establish the Northern hills PDS in Lead/Deadwood and Belle Fourche
- Teammates program has expanded to middle-school level in Spearfish
- Project SELECT expanding to the Douglas School System Fall '08; plans are in place to expand to Pierre, Ft. Pierre, and Chamberlain Fall '09

Faculty had small-group discussion regarding suggested professional development focuses/opportunities for 2008-09; inut will be reviewed by the COE Strategic Planning Committee.

New Advising Handbook

R. Carriveau discussed the advising handbook that he updated (handbooks provided). He noted that students should be made aware that endorsements granted by the state of South Dakota are guaranteed in South Dakota only . Minors are more likely than endorsements to be accepted by other states (students are encouraged to contact other states' departments of education to find out their requirements).

COE Policies and Procedures Update: Fall '08

This document was sent to faculty (electronically) for review, prior to this meeting. Feedback can be provided to N. Hall until next Friday, September 5, 2008. L. Turner will post the final version on the COE website.

Teacher Guarantee Proposal Draft

This document was sent to faculty (electronically) for review, prior to this meeting. Feedback can be provided to N. Hall. BHSU is the first university to establish the teacher guarantee concept (faculty will provide support/assistance to struggling first-year teachers). The Teacher Education Advisory Council will review this document at its Fall '08 meeting.

2008 NCATE Updates (identification of technology proficiencies/data collection of diversity elements)

M. Hickenbotham discussed the six NCATE standards/COE contacts:

1)	candidate knowledge, skills, and professional dispositions	P. Simpson
2)	assessment system, and unit evaluation	P. Simspon
3)	field experiences and clinical practice	R. Carriveau
4)	diversity	M. Hickenbotham
5)	faculty qualifications, performance, and development	D. Calhoon
6)	unit governance and resources	N. Hall

Technology proficiencies:

- facilitate and inspire student learning and creativity
- design and develop digital-age learning experiences and assessments
- model digital-age work and learning
- promote and model digital citizenship and responsibility

Diversity proficiencies:

- learning styles and multiple intelligences
- learning exceptionalities including learning disabilities, physical and mental challenges
- English language learners (ELL)

- individual experiences and talents including language culture, family, and community values
- socioeconomic life experiences including poverty
- students' stages of development
- peer relationships in establishing a climate of learning
- motivation by connecting instruction to students' experiences (families, culture and community)
- respect multiple perspectives and points of view
- fairness

Teacher Work Sample Project Update

K. Mortimer, M. Hovland, and K. Finkle adapted the teacher work sample (tws) model used by Emporia State University for use at BHSU (handbooks/ELED/SEED mapping charts provided). Faculty are encouraged to attend an informational meeting on Monday, September 8 at 9:00 a.m. (location tbd). P. Dewey will provide tws training during the Fall '08 semester, for implementation Spring '09 semester. L. Pearce will provide training for tws scorers during the Spring '09 semester.

Honors Program Update

Honors Program Director, A. Fuqua, encouraged COE faculty to recruit top students to join this program. Features of the program include:

- provides rigorous and individualized program of study
- includes general education courses, junior-year colloquia, and a junior-senior honors project
- supports student organization that plans social activities and community service
- travel for research and cultural enrichment

Student Engagement and Community Collaboration for Prevention Grant (SEACC)

SEACC Prevention Coordinator, A. Anderson, encouraged faculty members interested in participating in one or more of the components of this grant to contact her. This program is designed to reduce the negative impact of alcohol/drug abuse on student lives, the campus, and the community (handout provided).

Announcements:

1) Senior wellness students will offer individual wellness consultation/training during the Fall '08 semester. Contact R. Schurrer, if interested in participating.
2) Dr. Harvey Robbins will conduct a workshop at BHSU "Making Teams Work" on Monday, October 27 (location tbd) from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Faculty are encouraged to attend (handout provided).

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Clarkson, Sr. Secretary