



Reading, Foundations, and Technology
Faculty Retreat August 20, 2021
1:00 – 4:00 pm
Hill Hall 301

Attendees

Brandon Aigner, Jamie Atkinson, Ching-Wen Chang, Pamela Correll, Stacie Finley, Stephanie Huffman, Steve Jones, Kewman Lee, Kayla Lewis, Annice McLean, Sarah Nixon, Julia Novakowski, Cathy Pearman, Dennis Rudnick, Becky Swearingen

Action Items:

Approve April 16, 2021 Minutes – Dr. Pearman made a motion to accept minutes; Dr. Chang second; minutes accepted.

Faculty Advisory – (Kayla Lewis 2018-2021) – Dr. Lewis will remain on committee. Update: Dr. Lewis was ineligible to serve another term. Survey Monkey vote was taken. Dr. Correll will replace Dr. Lewis. Dr. Pearman will replace Dr. Atkinson.

Assessment Committee (Kewman Lee 2019-2021) Dr. Lee will remain on committee. Update: Dr. Lee was ineligible to serve another term. Survey Monkey vote was taken. Dr. Atkinson will serve.

Sarah Keeth – Graduate Faculty Status Clinical (SFR 750) – Dr. Jones reported on Ms. Keeth's credentials. Tabled until September meeting until correct paperwork is completed.

Information Items:

Introduction of Graduate Assistants: Allison Caldwell, Amber Smith and Brianna Still
Dr. Swearingen was recognized for her 28 years of service at Missouri State University.
All College meeting August 20 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

COE Goals

Alignment of departmental action with COE goals – keep working on goals, elect an individual in each of your groups to organize your group's meetings.

Announcements:

Cathy Pearman - Deans Fellow for P-12 Partnerships

Sarah Nixon - 2020-2021 BEAR BRIDGE Outstanding Mentoring for Faculty Award

Dennis Rudnick - Deans Fellow for Diversity

Julia Novakowski - COE Sustainability Scholar

EDC 150 Curriculum items – Dr. Huffman reported changing the name to Transitional Pathway for Education. Take out the Taskstream information. Changing the name frees up the title of Introduction of Teaching to use for possibly a general education class.

EDT Curriculum items – Dr. Chang reported charges are to clean up the course descriptions, program changes – add another course either/or under general requirement section.

Clean up Taskstream and COVID language in your syllabi.

Pathways for Paras - RDG 420/421 – Dr. Lewis reported Dr. Adamson wants to place RDG 420/421 into their pathways program.

OTC – Working on a new AA Degree versus AAT degree. EDC 249 will be taught at OTC and transferred in. EDC345 will not be taught at OTC.

Program Updates:

Foundations Courses – Dr. Atkinson reported many of the secondary programs are trying to do their own version of EDC 350 in some of their course work. Their reasoning is to reduce credit hours. Dr. Atkinson is working with the secondary programs to see how RFT can keep EDC 350 in their program of study. Can EDC 350 become a general education course?

SFR 486 – Curricular update needed

EDC 249 – Dual Credit Course - Dr. Cunningham asked if RFT could use EDC 249 as a dual credit as part of some of the partnerships that are forming.

Business Education Update – Dr. Huffman reported fully approved. Being advertised as coming soon. Advisors are currently recruiting. Will be in catalog fall 2022.

Library Science GC Update – Dr. Huffman reported Library Science is excited that DESE now requires at least 12 hours of graduate work in library science in order to become certified as a school librarian. First cohort to start fall 2022 – 10 students to a cohort to start.

MAT – Dr. Correll reported MAT is at 100 students. New program started this fall. Dr. Correll is working on a NSF grant with the Science Dept. to provide scholarships to prospective science teachers.

Literacy & GC – Dr. Lewis reported literacy was down due to Covid. Master students are picking back up. Accelerated students are down. Will work on recruiting this semester. Dyslexia certificate is going up.

Ed Tech & GC – Dr. Chang reported enrollment is steady. The graduate certificate numbers are going up. Dr. Chang and Ms. McLean are discussing creating some new courses. Possibly a coding for educators course.

Middle Level – Dr. Aigner reported there are 98 students in the program. Dr. Aigner reported they are implanting a pilot program for a year-long internship program with Republic Middle School. MID 425 is a required course so is anticipating enrollment to keep growing.

MATL/SETL – Dr. Jones reported the program has 127 students. Three new cohorts have started. First year cohorts are in Springfield, Gasconade and Kansas City. Second year cohorts are in Nixa, Kansas City, and Waynesville.

College Teaching GC – Dr. Pearman reported currently has four students. The doctorate in orthopedic program will include the College of Teaching GC.

Update RPT Wording - Dr. Nixon and Dr. Chang are co-chairs starting fall. Dr. Swearingen reported wording to add to P&T Guidelines as follows; “All articles considered for promotion and tenure must be accompanied by an electronic version that can be run through plagiarism application.” Run article through Safe Assign. Dr. Chang made motion to add wording to P&T documents, motion second; motion removed from floor for further discussion. Dr. Nixon and Chang will work on wording to present for a vote at September faculty meeting.

Dr. Swearingen – Pay to publish – add wording that any article that was in a pay to publish publication needs to be designated and include information on the review process and acceptance rate on that particular article. Dr. Novakowski made a motion to vote whether the department will accept pay to publish journals as a source of scholarship. No second. Motion tabled. Further discussion is needed.

New SPE research course – Proposing a specific research course - Dr. Arthaud, Dr. Adamson, and Dr. Uribe-Zarain. Dr. Uribe-Zarain reported CLSE wants a research methods class with an emphasis on special education. Dr. Arthaud will place the prerequisite that students must be admitted to special education.

Test Proctoring – Dr. Huffman reported staff are not allowed to proctor an exam. Send student to Testing Center.

RFT Annual Report – different format – make sure you have an up to date advisory committee, send Dr. Huffman an invitation to your meetings, and a copy of the minutes from each meeting

Please send to Dr. Huffman any student or faculty accomplishments and any innovative teaching you are doing to place in Bear Tracks (Alumni Spotlight)

Program changes and updates – Let Dr. Huffman know of any changes.

Travel - \$375.00 per faculty member. Dr. Nixon reported she is on the International Travel Fund Committee – Canada is international. If you go to Canada you can receive \$2,500 from International Travel Committee and your department has to match it. Turn in your anticipated travel form by October 15th.

Open Faculty Positions – Dr. Huffman reported we should know around October what funds are available for faculty hires.

Preparing a Successful Internal Grant Application on September 17, 2021 from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. in Karl’s Hall, Room 101

Faculty Research Grants: October 1, 2021 (for FA2021 applications) and February 1, 2022 (for SP2022 applications).

Summer Faculty Fellowships: October 30, 2021 (for SU2022 applications).

Upcoming Speakers & Guests:

Paige Harp (October) - Coordinator of Infant through Grade 12 Resources (IG12) located in room
215 of Meyer Library

Grey Garris (November) – Assistant Director, Multicultural Programs - Diversity Resources

Russ Brock – ATLL Director