

**Saint Mary's College**  
**EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**  
**FACULTY MEETING MINUTES February 6, 2012**

Announcements

Karen and MaryAnn attended the IACTE meeting at the University of Indianapolis on January 27, 2012.

Amy will be presenting "Flipping Out to Transform Instruction" with Joe Incandela on Wednesday, February 8th from noon-1:00 p.m. in the Mother Pauline Room of the library. A pizza lunch will be served.

Amy and her students have been invited to present at the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) conference at IUSB in April.

Insook will be presenting at NCTM in Indianapolis (April 25-28).

Loretta will be attending the NCATE/TESOL Teacher Education Standards Workshop in Philadelphia on March 28, 2012.

Teacher Education Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 3:15-4:15 p.m.

Assessment Retreat will meet on Friday, February 24, 2012 at noon-3:00 p.m.

Insook presented the AWP Guidelines to the Junior class.

Educ 201 has been submitted for LO1 consideration.

Amy met with Suzanne Hinnefeld (Library) regarding science picture books.

Agenda

MaryAnn has put together dates and times for the candidates to come for their interview visit. MaryAnn will contact the two candidates and work out a schedule.

The Fall Schedule was discussed. Corrections were noted and completed.

The Indiana Department of Education has changed the requirements for certification for secondary social studies. Every subject area now has a comprehensive test. Because our students only take 3 or 4 courses in two supporting areas, Loretta Li proposed that we change from two supporting areas to one major and one minor. The minor will add one or two courses to a particular area and will give more depth to the pre-service teacher. Using the minor rather than the subject area is also advantageous because the minor will be regularly updated by its department, unlike the supporting areas. The minor will also show up on the student's transcript. Students who choose to do so could still add other minors, but most secondary social studies pre-service teachers are overwhelmed with too many classes. This change will reduce the number of classes students must take by one or two classes (depending on the particular minor they choose). Currently the political science minor has 15 hours, as does the history minor and the sociology minor. The psychology minor and the economics minor have 18 hours each. The Education Department faculty agreed with this change.

A question was asked about which subject areas could serve as majors. Currently we have history and political science. Karen suggested economics. Loretta suggested allowing all of the subject areas to serve as majors. Kitty recommended using the Common Core Standards to see which subject areas have

been included. It was decided that Loretta would look at these standards and bring this information to the Education Department meeting on February 20.

Faculty also recommended that Loretta call a meeting of social studies department chairs to discuss the approved change and ask them to see if their minors and majors met the current Indiana standards.

MaryAnn shared information from the Council of Chairs meeting held on February 2, 2012. The College Bulletin will be printed for 2012-13. Faculty should check PRISM for summer school courses as new ones are added as they are submitted. The Schedule of Classes will include a column that reflects LO1 requirements for the Class of 2015. Sophomore Parent weekend will be held the weekend of February 10. There will be a reception in Spes Unica on Friday from 5:00-7:00. There will not be an Academic Open House. The Council of Chairs supported a proposal to adjust the last day to add classes based on the Study Day. Each line of the budget for 2012-13 will be cut 5%. The Designated Status Proposal regarding titles was presented. MaryAnn will begin serving on that committee. Status changes could especially affect Karen Van Meter and our college supervisors.

MaryAnn reported on the Global Studies major proposal. EDUC 488 – Practicum in Intercultural Education will be included as a requirement for the Concentration in Global Post-secondary Education Administration. This would consist of a practicum within CWIL and guest lectures by CWIL administrators. Having an Education course included in another major received a positive reaction from the faculty.

Karen was happy to report that placements are almost completed.

MaryAnn and Karen attended an IACTE meeting in Indianapolis. During the morning, they attended a session concerning portfolios and how to demonstrate how teacher candidates are impacting student learning. The afternoon session focused on the REPA 2 rules currently proposed by the State.