

Saint Mary's College
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
FACULTY MEETING MINUTES April 30, 2012

MaryAnn reminded faculty of the following upcoming events:

- May 6th – Stole Ceremony, Hooding, and Honors Convocation
- May 7th – Education Portfolio Presentations
- May 9th – Student Teaching Dinner
- May 15th – Cooperative Council meeting
- May 18th & 19th – Baccalaureate and Commencement

Announcements

Loretta, Jayne, MaryAnn, and several students participated in the Donors' Weekend Open House on Saturday, April 21st.

Course evaluations are to be returned to Mary.

Agenda

After upcoming events and announcements, MaryAnn asked everyone to look at **course enrollment**. The field/student teaching committee will be meeting to determine faculty expectations for the field in the fall.

Recruiting Efforts: This past year, Insook and Nancy met with students who might be interested. Kitty and MaryAnn have been to UND to meet with all the admission counselors. Karen has suggested meeting with April Lane and any other advisors who might be working with students. Loretta suggested doing something to showcase talents during the 100 year celebration. We might want to advertise Educ 201 as a general education course in the future.

Assessment Retreat Date: The next retreat will be August 22, 2012 from noon-3:00p.m.

Department meetings in the fall 2012 will be on Mondays at noon.

Karen passed out the **Student Teaching Portfolio** schedules and reminded everyone that **field evaluations** are due this week and the hours should be added.

The department is recommending that the **student teaching fee** be raised to \$150.00.

Social Studies Review: Discussion ensued about secondary social studies. Currently the students take a history major and then can add two supporting areas. They have only had to take one test in social studies in the past. In the future, a test will need to be taken for each subject area. We need to look at marketability of our students. It has been suggested that history needs to be the major. After much discussion, it was decided that secondary social studies students should major in history with political science as one of two required supporting areas.

SPA updates: MaryAnn has been communicating with IUSB as to how they are doing their SPA's. She shared some information she received. IUSB has an ACEI advisor. We need to have our programs nationally recognized prior to the 2017 NCATE visit. The earliest we can submit a SPA is Fall 2014. Training options on the ACEI SPA include attending a conference and workshop or ACEI can send someone to campus who can train up to 12 people at a time.

CEC new standards have been pushed back to at least late fall. It was recommended that we use the old standards (current).

Kitty did a SPA webinar for NCTE and Loretta has attended a workshop for the TESOL SPA. It is questioned whether Early Childhood needs a SPA since it is program recognition.

Insook questioned whether a faculty needs a reduced load to work on the SPA's. Kitty discussed that it is mainly collecting data, but there is so much to collect. MaryAnn suggested that the assessment committee put together a timeline for the SPA's.

Stoles or something else: Next year would be a good time to make a change from the stole given since it will be the department's 100 anniversary year. MaryAnn has spoken with a jeweler about pins. The cheapest metal is sterling silver. Amy suggested Avery as a possible vendor. A pin is only one idea. Insook made a point that when the students wear their stoles, it is easily recognized that the students completed the education program.

MaryAnn will start a list in the conference room for suggestions for stoles, etc. and also for the "100 year celebration."

Other Issues

Kitty submitted the NCATE Annual Report.

MaryAnn submitted the Title II Report.

Insook has just returned from the NCTM Conference. She presented at two workshops and met with the CEO/President of the Math and Science Manipulative Company (4D Frame Inc., Seoul, Korea).

Also, long range plans include:

1. After school workshop for gifted students in one of the Elementary Schools. This will serve as an introduction to the summer camp.
2. Math summer camp for the gifted students.

MaryAnn and Insook will serve as sponsors for a NCTM Student Affiliated Group which will be headed by a University of Notre Dame Math major student. This group will consist of Saint Mary's students.