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College of Education Faculty Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2010

Guests: Dr. Margaret Sullivan, Chancellor; Rebecca Ogletree

Welcome and Agenda
Dean Fueyo and Dr. Unal welcomed the faculty to the meeting. The agenda was approved.

State of the University
Dr. Sullivan greeted the faculty and launched into a revealing presentation of the state of the university, funding issues, student enrollment, and the USFSP Quality Enhancement Plan.

Revising the Rubric for FEAP 5: Diversity
Dean Fueyo shared with the faculty the revised draft of the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices that will be presented to the Florida Department of Education. She asked the faculty to consider these expectations and accompanying language as it moved to work on the revisions to the AP5 rubric. Dean Fueyo then discussed her concerns regarding the AP5 rubric. She would like to see the rubric edited to provide more opportunities for success in the candidates’ first attempts at addressing diversity in the CDN. By realigning the rubric to mirror the curricular sequence through which the candidates progress in their programs, there would be greater likelihood of candidate success in its initial submissions to the CDN in AP 5. Ms. Ogletree asked the faculty to divide into three groups. Each group was asked to examine the rubric with the intent of moving candidates from identifying to respecting, and eventually embracing diverse cultures. The individual groups discussed their perspectives before sharing their collective thoughts and suggestions with the whole faculty. The decision was made to gather the suggestions for use by the Assessment Committee at its September meeting as it finalized the AP5 rubric.

ACTION ITEM – The Assessment Committee will finalize the AP5 rubric with the input gathered from today’s meeting, will distribute the final version to the faculty, and post the final version online.

Strategic Planning Next Steps
The dean shared the 2010 – 2015 Strategic Plan for the USFSP College of Education with the faculty. She discussed the process for finalizing the strategic plan and outlined the process taken to date, including the foundation for the plan based upon the input provided by faculty from the August 16 work day. The plan has been reviewed and revised by the College Council, by the Teacher Education Advisory Board, the Educational Leadership Advisory Board. At the last Assessment Committee meeting it was determined that the three faculty facilitators, Drs. Butler, Leung and Roy will lead the COE faculty in a discussion of action steps and measurable goals for the plan at the January faculty meeting.
NCATE, Selection of Standard for Continuous Improvement

Dean Fueyo presented excerpts of a PowerPoint presentation on the two options for NCATE continuing visits: Transformation Initiative and Continuous Improvement. The faculty agreed that the second option of continuous improvement best reflects the focus of the COE work. The dean then discussed expectations of continuous improvement in regards to the scoring guide and the need to select one standard to move from acceptable to target. The faculty discussed some of the possible directions it could take, but decided to postpone a decision until the December meeting when it would have an opportunity to discuss the various standards and the pros/cons of moving forward with each.

Next Scheduled Faculty Meeting: December 3, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.