

Committee Chairs
11-7-12

Present: John Miazga, Wendy Storms, Kim Livengood, Alaric Williams, Sandra Maxedon, David Tarver, Marilyn Eisenwine - taking notes

The dean said that when we meet with other groups, we should remember to have committee members report what other committees are doing. We can especially do that at faculty meetings. Just a quick update.

EPI Center - Wendy only does one EPI Center Advisory Committee meeting at the end of every semester. Their staff meets once a month. That meeting will be this Friday. The dean would like them to give a handout on the longitudinal report for business conducted in the EPI Center monthly. This included calls, visits, emails, etc. They average 5,000 emails a month.

Awards Committee - Amy is chair but absent. (as reported by Wendy) The Spotlights page is on the College of Ed. webpage at the bottom right. The ESC Region XV Service Center has sent them state wide awards for several years, but this can be a problem if maiden names have changed. A bulletin board has been ordered to post downstairs for faculty. They sent in 2 nominations to the Quest for Quality grant. Amy sent out a compilation of all the awards for committee members to split up and research dates. The newsletter will be by semester - send information to Amy. Maybe dept. highlights, word from the dean, student spotlights, etc. The dean said all this was really needed to highlight our people.

Scholarship Committee - Sandra said this is a Unit function. The SARTA scholarship has been awarded for fall to 2 student teachers. This will come around for spring as well. There is also money in a Spencer fund. She will assign committee members a scholarship or cluster of scholarships. Dr. Hightower will award the Spencer scholarships. He will work with Dr. Banker because this money is for Special Educators. They are going to give 4 large scholarships of \$5000 each rather than many small ones. They will be searching for more scholarships for graduate students. One of Alaric's students is now in the Alumni Center, so this may be a good contact.

Undergraduate Teacher Educator Advisory Committee - Linda said this committee met last Friday. Wendy reported how much interaction the EPI Center has each month. Marilyn reported on NCATE. Chris sent reports for Special Ed. search committee. Out of 11 applicants, only 4 were qualified. Those 4 were ABD. We do not hire these. Linda will contact HR to advertise again. Deborah gave an update on technology issues as well as Meghan Seibert. Donna reported the graduate study abroad for China only had 2 applicants so will likely not make for this summer. Sandra gave the same Scholarship Committee report as today. Chris is one of the Community Engaged Faculty this year. They will be giving presentations next Mon. afternoon in the CJ Davidson Conference Center.

Assessment Committee - Alaric - scheduled to meet tomorrow

Graduate Advisory Committee - Jim said they had been working for several years on reworking their grade structure. They have a grade called PR - progress and NP - no progress. These don't count in GPA. This is different from an I because they don't get credit for the class and have to register again if they do not complete their work. They have more faculty taking QM classes. They have been working on the definition of attending class for online classes. Faculty must sign to say that they attended class. The official ruling is that must submit an assignment or communicate directly with the faculty member to attend class. In the future, a blurb will be in all classes to submit something right away when class starts. Dave has them cut and paste an assignment with an electronic signature at the beginning of the semester to show active engagement. Linda asked if this should be applied to undergraduate online classes, and the answer was "yes!" The dean said this should be presented to the Distance Ed. Committee. Jim said they are setting up a small committee to list all graduates of the Student Development program. Some of these graduates are now in prominent positions in universities. If candidates can get jobs, this really showcases our programs. Dave said the Career Development Office might also need to be apprised of these candidates getting jobs. This would be good recruitment for us. Sandra said the Alumni Office could also be involved in this.

SPA Committee - Kim's committee has not met again since our last meeting.