

College of Education and Behavioral Science  
Academic Chairs Council Meeting Minutes  
November 6, 2024, 10:00 am  
Ed/Comm 330

Meeting started with registrar office demonstrating degree works to the leadership team.

Faculty achievement award nominations opened November 1st and closes January 17th. Completed applications are due Feb. 1st, and college finalists' applications must be submitted March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Current budget numbers were shared with the leadership team.

New hire adjuncts, who are remote, must complete the Telecommuting Agreement. This applies to anyone who is NOT teaching courses on campus. This form also requires each department to provide a laptop or other device for the person to use. Members of the leadership team questioned this policy and Dr. Hux stated she would inquire about its accuracy.

Dr. Grymes has requested CETL training for the new hires and current faculty who may be interested in learning more about OneDrive and other computer-related matters.

Dr. Beverly Gilbert-Boals wrote the Educator Character Initiative grant worth \$50,000 from Wake Forest University. On November 20th, from 11 to 1:00, at Judd Hill Farmer's Market, Jessie Pappas will Zoom with individuals to explore how to incorporate character building in ELSE degree programs. Chairs or their proxies are invited to attend the November 20th meeting. This program would be for students enrolled in undergraduate programs funded by Wake Forest. There is a similar program for graduate degree programs funded by the Kern Foundation. But, it is not a part of this program.

#### **ADC updates**

Everyone should be on board with the new advising changes according to the Provost.

Program viability and D/F/W data have been shared with all Deans, and the Deans are to share them with the department chairs. More data will be shared, and all academic decisions should be made based on these data.

SCH does not mean the department requires a tenure track line, but it might be feasible to request an instructor line to allow the current tenure-track faculty to focus more on their research. This could also reduce the number of adjuncts used in departments.

Please make sure research expectations are clearly defined for all new faculty searches. The Provost will be looking for these statements in the ads.

Infrastructure should be distributed by Friday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>. Chairs are asked to update their previous infrastructure requests.

In 2024, there were 514 faculty members across the university. Nine of those individuals had a D/F/W rate of 40% or higher and will not receive the announced bonus.

Equity candidates must be outstanding in all three areas: Teaching, Research, and Service

Three-year academic calendars will be the standard for the university.

#### **Department updates**

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Dr. Pimpleton-Gray (Psychology and Counseling): More department publications and presentations are being produced by Psy and Counseling faculty. There are also searches going on within the department and the psychology BS degree program is going through state review. In Jan. Clinical Mental Health will go through CACREP accreditation.

Dr. Spence (PEP): Currently writing a letter to CAEP to accept the AFIs. The site reviewers report will go before the full CAEP board in June.

Dr. Bowser (Engagement and Outreach): Tomorrow is Ready to Teach Summit. There are 11 schools, 12 advisors, and 66 students attending. The 2024 Teacher of the Year will be the guest speaker during lunch. The day will end with a team-building exercise. It will finish by 2:00 pm

HQMI training continues with teachers in the fields, residents, and supervisors. 8:30-11:30 Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> in Copper Alumni

Working with Nettleton to expand concurrent credit offerings.

She is receiving inquiries about 2025 summer camp. This is early and plans need to be set into motion. The program will continue to be housed in HPES.

Dr. Shaw (ELCSE): Florida presentations were cancelled due to a hurricane. Dr. Shaw has a book chapter currently under review. Dr. Stripling also has a book which will be published soon. Licensure and program changes.

Dr. Wheeler-Gryffin (HPES): Department will discuss changing their name. There will also be conversations about curriculum changes. They are down one more faculty member this semester.

Dr. Grymes (TE): Faculty members plan to attend ATE in New Orleans, March 7-12<sup>th</sup>. The request for a new reading faculty member was denied by Academic Affairs.

Dr. McGregor (Dean's Office): Need short articles and photos for the college newsletter. Please check plans in degree works and email me copies of your most current degree plans.