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To:

**Educational Policies and Planning Committee Members** 

From:

Linda A. Patriarca, Ph.D., Dean

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On behalf of colleagues in the Department of Educational Leadership and Department of Counselor and Adult Education, I am pleased to submit this request for realignment of the Higher Education doctoral concentration, associated faculty, and appropriate resources from the Department of Educational Leadership to the Department of Counselor and Adult Education.

Following is a recap of voting to support this request:

- February 10, 2008 Educational Leadership (LEED) faculty voted 14 (in favor) 0 (opposed)
- March 17, 2009 Counselor and Adult Education (COAD) faculty voted 7 (in favor) 0 (opposed)
- April 17, 2009 College of Education tenured faculty voted 31 (in favor) 2 (opposed)

I strongly endorse this realignment and the move also has the support of Provost Marilyn Sheerer. The necessary curricular revisions to include cross-listing of select courses and two new courses will be underway during this fall semester. The realignment will fulfill the following objectives:

- Improved instruction and advisement of students pursuing the EdD in Education Leadership;
- Service of a large market of leaders in community colleges, public and private 2-4 year colleges and universities, student development organizations/agencies, and other multiple areas of specialization;
- More direct alignment of degree with audience/market to the benefit of both students and faculty,
   resulting in better academic service to eastern North Carolina and economic growth.

We ask that the East Carolina University Education Policies and Planning Committee approve this realignment. Please feel free to contact me, LEED Interim Chair Dr. Art Rouse (328-6763), or COAD Chair Dr. Vivian Mott (328-6177) with any questions.

cc: Vivian Mott
Art Rouse
Sandra Warren