COE Called Faculty Meeting Minutes  
March 17, 2014  
129 Speight Building

Dean Patriarca called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
The Dean began the meeting with two announcements:

1. The Department of Educational Leadership was just notified that they have been accepted into the Carnegie Project on the Educational Doctorate (CPED) Consortium. ECU’s program will be joining more than 50 current members in the important work of redesigning professional practice preparation in education.
2. Dr. Alan Zambone represented the Dean at the Academic Deans and Directors Meeting last Thursday. Two important items:
   a. Regardless of what happens in Raleigh, there will be cuts in the vicinity of 2-3%. This is in relation to a decline in student enrollment and over projections of student credit hours in determining funding, which is why we have not felt the decline in student enrollment regarding budget until now. This resulted in a tuition shortfall of $8M. If the legislature cuts higher education 5%, then ECU may be looking at a cut of 3% or slightly more if the state cut exceeds 5%. We won’t know until June or early July. Units need to plan for 1%, 2%, and 3% cuts. A 3% cut is approximately $613,000 for the college which is approximately 8 faculty lines at $65,000 each plus benefits.
   b. Thus, our new hires are going to be very important to our future. We need to be sure that our new hires are “top notch” and are producing high quality teaching, research and service.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:
As a result of the PPC, the Chancellor requested that the COE look at a merger of the Department of Educational Leadership and the Department of Higher, Adult, and Counselor Education. Ultimately it was decided not to merge these two departments but to look at an alternative:

- Higher Education will return to the Department of Educational Leadership. (Vote not needed since there is no name change needed—does not involve a change in the COE Code.)
- Counselor Education and Adult Education will merge with the Department of Information and Library Science. (Vote needed since this will involve a name change—results in a change in the COE Code.)

Also, an additional COE Code revision regarding the consistency of when COE minutes are to be posted is submitted.

The meeting today is for the tenured faculty of the College to vote on the change to the COE Code. The proposed changes were distributed by Dr. Hal Holloman to the entire COE faculty via email on February 27, 2014. The changes include the following two items:

1. Merger of Counselor Education and Adult Education with the Department of Information and Library Science to become the Department of Advanced and Professional Programs.
2. The posting of COE meeting minutes will be within one week after the meeting.

During the time period between the February 27th email and today’s meeting, some faculty members voiced concerns regarding the name of the new department. Dr. Vivian Mott proposed a friendly amendment to change the name of the new department to the Department of Interdisciplinary Professions. After several minutes of discussion, a voice vote was held regarding the amendment. The amendment passed.

At 12:44 p.m., the meeting ended with the voting tenured faculty signing in and casting their votes in the ballot box at the front of the room.

Respectfully submitted,

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