

PEC Conceptual Framework Committee (CFC) Minutes, 1/31/2012, Hill 314, 10-11:30am

Attending: David Goodwin (Chair), Dan Hellman (*ex-officio*), Cindy Hail (*ex-officio*), Michelle Morgan, Randy Wallace, and Carol Maples.

1. Minutes from 1/31/2012 approved
2. Beth Hurst continues to work on the PEU Handbook with a meeting of the ad hoc committee scheduled for mid-February.
3. PEU Head and PEU restructuring? This issue was discussed in relation to re-engaging college deans in Professional Education. It was uncertain how to do this. A proposal from the PEC Executive Committee was discussed in this context however – the need for PEU representation in the Provost’s office now that Associate Provost John Catau has retired. The proposal asks Provost Einhellig (the current PEU Head by default) to appoint a faculty member as an Assistant Provost for Teacher Education to be a liaison between the PEU, Deans, and Department Heads.
4. Discussion on a PEU research page: no decision – to promote the formation of a PEU web page that presents research publications and major presentations of PEU members.
5. There was additional discussion, *vis-à-vis* the NCATE and DESE visits (role of CFC after the fact, NCATE Preliminary Report), on program and unit data which supports individual program integrity, e.g., like program student learning outcomes, “common core” issues. We need a campus wide continuing discussion on the issue. But it seems we are in somewhat of a holding pattern – waiting on the final NCATE report and the hiring of the next Associate Provost.
6. The CFC also looked over the NCATE Preliminary Report and sent a few changes to Sue George who is chairing the NCATE Rejoinder Committee.
7. There was discussion of our dispositions document, its place in the education of teachers and role in admit to teacher education.
8. “How do we better conceptualize and communicate how we work as a “Unit” in support of programs? Ties to discussion of assessment system.” Discussion postponed.
9. PEU Handbook – plans and general timeline – Beth has all in control.
10. “Time to start looking at the conceptual framework again – review for additions, changes, updating, referencing. Areas to strengthen in light of Teacher Performance Assessment which seems to be the next big top down assessment?” This discussion was postponed.
11. “PEU Assessment system review.” Postponed.
12. By-laws review will wait until all the changes are submitted to the committee. Departmental representation is under review by another committee. A related issue is the preservation of institutional knowledge with respect to PEC committees and rotation of membership.

Adjourned, 11:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Goodwin