College of Education and Allied Professions Leadership Council

The CEAP Leadership Council met on Wednesday, February 25, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. in Killian 202.

**Members present:** P. Bricker, D. Brotherton, D. Carpenter, R. Corbin, K. Corzine, C. Flood, D. Grube, L. Nickles, A. Malesky, M. Rompf, J. Stewart, K. Winter

**Minutes:** Motion and second to approve the minutes dated 2/11/2015 passed unanimously.

**Announcements:**

The NC Teacher of the Year is scheduled to meet President Obama the week of April 30 and will not be able to come to WCU.

**Dean’s Report**

- This is the time of year to review budgets, including E & T funds, and expenditures in preparation for year roll up.
- A current review of the library collection review will occur due to subscription costs exceeding current allocation.
- Programs should review and update 8-semester plans. A request for these will be forthcoming.
- Faculty Research Grants – This internal grant opportunity, which provides up to 150,000 in seed money, will continue next year.
- Africa – Western Carolina University’s theme for 15-16 will be Africa. There is discussion about choosing future campus theme two years in advance which may allow for additional planning and increased opportunities.

**Search Committees**

The School of Teaching and Learning has an existing search for a SPED faculty position. Due to a recent resignation in SPED, this advertisement will be updated to reflect two positions available. The health and liberal studies instructor applicant pool has received additional applications. Dan, as chair of the Human Services Department Head search, announced that the job description has been submitted to Human Resources and should be posted by the end of the week.

The search committee for the general psychology faculty position held two teleconference interviews last week and will bring candidates to campus. The department is working to increase activity/interest for the Clinic Director position.

Human Services is currently advertising two tenure-track positions for the BK program. Applications are under review.

Interviews have been held for the two grant funded positions through the North Carolina New Teacher Support Program. These positions should be filled soon.

A candidate has been selected for the After School Program Director and should be in place sometime in March.

**Curriculum Update**

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*Kim*
BK program students currently take a separate section of SPED 339 taught by BK instructors. The curriculum proposal being brought forward proposes a replacement course BK 350 (new offering) which would require SPED 240 as a pre-requisite. This discussion will be brought to PEC. Dale asked that Cathy Grist be invited to an upcoming Leadership Council meeting to discuss this proposal.

In order to assist with graduate school reporting, COUN 500 is being proposed as a zero-credit course for record keeping of the program content comprehensive exam. There are three additional courses being proposed by CMHC and a request to remove the current grant writing course as requirement.

EDSU 686 is a new course proposal which is requested for administrative purposes to track final presentations as a program completion requirement (similar to COUN 500).

HR has also submitted a curriculum change.

**Business Items**

*Diversity Training*

Sharon Dole

Sharon teaches Education in a Diverse Society and recently attended a diversity conference at UNC Charlotte with other WCU faculty. Sharon noted that the conference speaker, Dr. Rajni Shankar-Brown from Stetson University, was exceptional. Dr. Shankar-Brown will participate as this year’s guest blogger for CEAP’s diversity dialogue. Sharon proposes that Dr. Shankar-Brown be invited to CEAP in order to provide a training session for college faculty and staff. Tentatively it was decided to include this workshop as a part of CEAP’s opening meeting, Wednesday, August 12, with a start time of 11:00 AM, following the university-wide meeting, with lunch provided.

*CAEP/NCATE Overview*

Kim

Two CAEP/NCATE open forums have been scheduled, March 5 and March 20, for faculty and staff. The forums will serve as an overview to provide basic information and allow for a question and answer opportunity. Plans for additional gear-up activities for the accreditation site visit are being made. Kim provided a highlight of selected exhibits and how to access these on the web for the Council.

*Assessment Day Evaluation 2015*

Renee

Renee provided an overview of Assessment Day survey data responses and comments. Opportunity to meet with program colleagues, break-out sessions, and inclusion of faculty outside of CEAP were noted as positives. Several comments were received about the possibility of making this a half day event.

*OPT Ceremony*

Chena/Jenny

This year the OPT ceremony will expand its recognition of students to include recognition of cooperating teachers and university supervisors. The plan is to invite all nominees to the ceremony and announce recipients at the event. A rubric for evaluation of OPT candidates has been developed and was distributed to leadership council for feedback. The council unanimously approved the taking of the rubric to the PEC for review. It was also suggested that an informal survey of students regarding changes to the survey may be helpful. Dale thanked Jenny and Chena for taking the time to look at and make improvements to this event.

*Branding*

Dale

New branding information handouts were provided. Units are asked to inventory their materials to identify those materials which need to be updated in order to provide a consistent message for WCU.
External Reviews
Tabled.

Task List

* electronic handouts

Leadership Council Meetings
- Wednesday, February 25, 2015, 10:00 AM
- Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 9:30 AM
- Wednesday, May 6, 2015, 9:30 AM
- Wednesday, June 3, 2015, 9:30 AM
- Wednesday, March 18, 2015, 9:30 AM
- Wednesday, April 22, 2015, 9:30 AM
- Wednesday, May 20, 2015, 9:30 AM
- Wednesday, June 17, 2015, 9:30 AM

Other Important Dates
- Botner Nominees Due to Dean: Monday, February 16, 2015
- Peak Performer Nominees Due to Dean: Monday, March 2, 2015
- Good New Award Recipients Due to Dean: Friday, March 6, 2015
- CEAP Honors and Awards, 4:30 PM, Grand Room: Wednesday, April 22, 2015

Dean Carpenter adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.