

STL Faculty Meeting Minutes  
Sept. 23, 2009

In attendance: Sue Severson (chair), Becky Williams, Ok-Hee Lee, John Benson, Ruth Newton, Bruce Harmon, Camille Brandt, Layna Cole, Deb Pullen, Deanne Borgeson, Lisa Staiger, Barb Worman, Lynn Mahlum, Steve Street, Melody Chuang, Heather Sand, Renee Kerzman, Valerie Ritland, Teresa Shume, Ann Goldade, Keri DeSutter, Erin Gillett, Coleen Roller

1. Announcements:

\*Today we will hear about the reading courses in STL.

\*E-mail from Jayne Washburn. We can use any 200 level number for the change from SpEd 320 to two hundred level course. Department agreed to use 225.

\*Sue e-mailed the positive feedback of of the national reviewers on our Bush proposal and indicated there were also weaknesses identified and the cross-institutional core team will address these issues.

2. Meeting minutes 9/16/09

\*Correction on the date. Meeting was 9/16, not 9/17.

\*Melody volunteered to proctor the EECE essay exam on 9/25, not 9/24.

Melody Chuang made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Ruth Newton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Erin, Becky, and Ann have been working since July on the literacy courses. EECE 291, EECE 341, EECE 375 (new number designated) , and EECE 475 will all have the prefix changed to STL and will also have title changes.

They have been working on the sequence and standards of the courses, making sure the courses are rigorous, yet reasonable. New reading standards have to be addressed by Fall 2010. Question was raised as to the placement of preschool methods within the coursework. Question was raised on the preschool methodology and content . Will return to STL reading courses to address this issue. Discussion occurred regarding prerequisites. STL 294 will be prerequisite to STL 291 and STL 291 will be prerequisite to STL 341. Layna Cole made a motion to accept STL 291 and STL 475 as presented with the understanding that concerns about the standards will be addressed, and that STL 341 and STL 475 be tabled. Valerie Ritland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Benson made a motion to approve STL 341 and STL 375 with the committee's willingness to add the pre-primary methods and grade level assignments. Ok-Hee Lee seconded the motion. Vote was called: 9 yes, 4 no, 4 abstentions. Motion passed. The committee will make a plan to follow up on curriculum.

Renee Kerzman expressed thanks for the hard work that everyone, especially Sue and Lynn, is putting in on the Bush Grant proposal.

Meeting adjourned: 9:04 a.m.  
Minutes by Diane Copple