

STL Meeting

Wed., August 26, 2009

In attendance:

Sue Severson, Heather Sand, Layna Cole, Shirley Johnson, Valerie Ritland, Keri DeSutter, Melody Chuang, Teresa Shume, Ann Goldade, Mary Dosch, Deb Pullen, Deanne Borgeson, Lynn Mahlum, Dean Mollerud, John Benson, Ruth Newton, Ok-Hee Lee, Steve Grineski, Bruce Harmon, Coleen Roller, Camille Brandt, Becky Williams, Barb Worman, Erin Gillett, Lisa Staiger, Renee Kerzman, Ron Messelt

Steve Grineski informed the group of The Collaboration for the Advancement of College Teaching and Learning. Their fall conference, Bridging the Generational Divide, will be held in St. Paul on Nov. 13-14. There is an opportunity for people to present at this conference. If you are interested, Steve has the literature containing more information.

John Benson made a motion to accept the minutes of Aug. 21, 2009 with the correction regarding the smells in Lommen Hall, not Holmquist. Second by Bruce Harmon. Motion carried to approve the minutes.

Sue passed around the memos/letters regarding the following:

1. The FAR was passed around. Faculty was asked to look at their assignments and make any corrections.
2. The memo regarding F/FN was passed around, making the distinction between Failure due to poor performance in class and Failure due to Nonattendance.
3. The letter from the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center deals with ways in which you may be able to incorporate volunteering into your classroom.
4. Sabbatical leave applications should be completed and given to Sue by Sept. 11.
5. Faculty grant application information is available on line – <http://www.mnstate.edu/acadaff/msumgrants/index.htm> .
6. We received a letter from the phonathon department. They are doing their calling differently this year. Instead of calling alumni by department as they have in the past, they will be calling alumni by date of graduation and who has donated in the past. Once they have finished calling past donors, they will call the alumni who have not donated in the past.
7. Parking for visitors who are coming to STL is an issue. It has been noted that there are metered parking spots in front of Holmquist and visitors can use those spots. We will monitor this and see if we will have further need of parking.

Sue and Lynn brought us up to date on the Bush Foundation work that has been taking place over the summer. MSUM is in collaboration with NDSU and VCSU. The four sections of Teacher Prep that the Bush Foundation wants participants to focus on are:

1. Recruit. Camille is part of the cross institutional group who is working on this. The group is focusing on professionals from fields other than education who show an interest in starting a second career of teaching after retiring from their first career.

2. Prepare. MSUM will show the foundation how we're in partnership with NDSU and VCSU. Work will focus on assessment, diversity, technology, ELL, classroom management and field experience.
3. Placement / 4. Support. This entails getting candidates jobs in schools that will work with us for nurturing new teachers. Show support for a 5th year for a residency or internship.

Next week we will develop goals for STL.

Meeting adjourned: 9:15 a.m.

Minutes by Diane Copple