SOLES MONTHLY MEETING
Wednesday, April 4, 2012
Mother Rosalie Hill Hall
Executive Classroom – Room 102
10:00 am-12:00 pm

MINUTES


Facilitator: P. Cordeiro
Notetaker: J. Homrich

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am.

1. Welcome: P. Cordeiro welcomed the group to the meeting and introduced Captain Ault’s replacement, Captain Rabun.

2. Approval of the Minutes: The minutes from the March 14, 2012 SOLES Monthly Meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

3. SGSA Announcements (T. Degheri): T. Degheri was not present to present SGSA updates.

4. Admissions & Outreach: (A. Mumford) A. Mumford reviewed statistics regarding the current applications received and noted an increase from last year. Mumford also reviewed upcoming events including the Diversity Forum.

   P. Cordeiro commented on applicant trends nationally and statewide and led a discussion about the number of applications received in all programs being more selective.

5. Development and Alumni Relations (G. Neiger):
   40th Anniversary Updates: Launched an alumni giving strategy: ‘$40 for 40’ and has seen a rise in alumni donations. Neiger also announced an alumni mixer event scheduled for Wednesday, April 11, 2012. He also announced that there will be a photo exhibit, which will be used to highlight the faces of SOLES. The development team is also working on getting banners hung in the Sala to commemorate the school’s 40th anniversary. The monitors in the Sala will be showing photos taken from 1950-1970.

6. Associate Dean’s Office (G. Reed):
   University Senate: Honorary degrees committee is looking for nominations. SOLES have not nominated anyone recently so he is willing to walk interested folks through the process. Reed also stated that there has been no movement on the library issue at the senate level.

   G. Reed announced that the school would be receiving an email regarding a new school-wide shared drive. This is a way that faculty and staff of SOLES are able to post documents they would like shared with school personnel. He shared that the only disadvantage of the shared drive is that if it is not locked and anyone can access and alter the document. It is good for sharing, not as a repository. Other alternatives are Dropbox and SharePoint that are currently being used across departments. The shared drive has the advantage of being backed on a regular basis by the university.

   Curriculum Committee: Items were sent out to the faculty for review prior to the meeting.
Revision to Existing Course:
LEAD 506 Resource Development and Marketing

Information only:
Experimental Course: LEAD 579A Foundations of Executive Coaching
LEAD 579B Contemporary Issues in the Nonprofit/Nongovernmental Sector

Action: Item was voted on and was passed unanimously.


Donmoyer presented some suggested policy changes for faculty consideration. A summary is listed below:

New Policy:
The ARRT committee shall be composed of six tenured SOLES faculty members representing each of the three departments, two at-large positions, and the SOLES Dean. Two elected, non-tenured faculty members will be present for policy meetings only. Tenured faculty representatives are elected to two-year staggered terms on the ARRT Committee. The /new Department name/ and two at-large representatives start their terms during academic years that begin in even-numbered years. The Leadership, and Learning & Teaching representatives start their terms in academic years that begin during odd-numbered years. Separate ballots will be used for electing each representative. Candidates for tenure and promotion are not eligible to serve on the committee in a year they file for tenure and/or promotion (SOLES 10/3/2000).

New Policy:
The Dean will provide each external reviewer with:
1) The candidate’s Curriculum Vita.
2) A representative sample of the candidate’s scholarship.
3) A standard letter requesting commentary about the candidate’s scholarship.
4) A copy of the criteria for reappointment, promotion, and tenure, and the SOLES statement on scholarship.

The representative sample of the candidate’s scholarship will be supplied by the candidate, and will include a statement on their scholarship along with 3 to 4 samples of their scholarship. The candidate will provide the Dean’s office with an electronic version of the Curriculum Vita, scholarship statement, and scholarship samples (excluding books) so that all of the materials can be sent electronically to the external reviewers. The Dean’s office will supply a paper copy of the materials to the external reviewer upon request.

Action: Policy Changes were unanimously approved

These policy updates/edits will be in the New Faculty Handbook for 2012-2013.

8. Action Research Association (L. Rowell and S. Buczynski): L. Rowell and S. Buczynski presented on the Action Research Association’s 9th annual conference scheduled for April 27th and April 28th. They noted that registration is open at a cost of $175.00. They acknowledged the sponsors and team members that are putting together this year’s conference.

N. Inoue commented on the 8th Annual Conference and presented a website and slideshow on the conference.

9. Faculty Search Grant Presentation (J. Spencer): J. Spencer presented the results of her Faculty Research Grant, Developing the Algebraic Thinking of Struggling Middle School Math Students

10. Dean’s Office (P. Cordeiro):

Strategic Plan: The Strategic Planning Committee had its final meeting on Wednesday, March 21st. A handout was provided to the group that reflects the changes the committee made in their last meeting. The group broke out into
small groups to discuss the Strategic Directions Draft handout to make revisions. The group’s revisions to the Strategic Directions were then handed to J. Homrich at the end of the meeting to compile and place in the Dropbox.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.