DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL STUDIES
FACULTY MEETING MINUTES
April 25, 2013
10:00 am – 12 pm LWSN 1142

Present: Ayse Ciftci, Teresa Doughty, Ed Eiler, Yukiko Maeda, Youli Mantzicopoulos, Bill McInerney, Sydney Moon, Helen Patrick, Kristina Paul, Carole Pistole, Christopher Slaten, Sarah Templin, Yan Ping Xin, Aman Yadav, Michael Yough

Guests: Sandi Olson, Kathy Dietz, Jane Ann Dimitt, Ed Wiercioch, Scott Bogan

Excused: Deb Bennett, Emily Bouck, Eric Deemer, Marcia gentry, James Freeland, Marilyn Hirth, John Hill, Anne Knupfer, Eric Mann, Jean Peterson, David Sears, Heather Servaty-Seib, Carrie Wachter Morris, Oliver Wendt, Sydney Zentall, T.J. Oakes

Dr. Samarapungavan called the meeting to order at 10:07 am in LWSN 1142. Dr. Samarapungavan asked for approval of the minutes. Bill McInerney made the motion to approve and Sarah Templin seconded the motion. The meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

• Department Head News and Announcements: Dr. Ala Samarapungavan

• University task force to assess intellectual growth: All units will be expected to demonstrate that their undergraduates have undergone intellectual growth. The task force is charged with exploring metrics to hold academic units accountable for their students’ intellectual growth. EDST is fortunate to have Yukiko Maeda on the task force which is just beginning its work. Dr. Samarapungavan asked Dr. Yukiko Maeda to say a few words concerning this task force.

  o Dr. Maeda shared some of the issues that the task force is working on:
    ▪ How do we measure and demonstrate the values that Purdue adds.
    ▪ How do we measure Purdue’s contribution to a student’s intellectual growth?
    ▪ How do we document that Purdue is continuously adding value to the learning of our students?

  o Tasks /Timeline for the committee:
    ▪ Identify attributes of student growth - pilot measures in Spring 2013
    ▪ Research and evaluate the tools and measures – Summer 2013
    ▪ Seek feedback from academic units and make final recommendations – October 2013

  o Based on initial brainstorming, the task force members identified a list of potential attributes of intellectual growth that are included as embedded outcomes in the Purdue Core Curriculum:
- Creative thinking
- Critical thinking
- Ethical reasoning
- Global citizenship and social awareness
- Intercultural knowledge
- Leadership and teamwork
- Quantitative reasoning
- Integrative knowledge
- Written communication
- Information literacy
- Oral communication

- The EDST faculty expressed concern about the reliability and validity of global measures of intellectual growth that lack strong connections to thinking and reasoning in the core disciplinary content areas. They expressed a need for the task force to seek feedback from faculty in academic units on the appropriateness of any such measures.

- **Summer courses:** There is a renewed push at the University level to expand our summer course offerings, especially at the undergraduate level but also at the graduate level. The University has said they will return monies to the units for the summer based on the number of credit hours generated. Per Dr. James Freeland this also includes PEC courses. This allows us to offer summer courses, especially our graduate courses. Dr. Samarapungavan suggested giving thought to offering graduate courses that have a higher enrollment, twenty or higher. Credit hours are important, and in order for this to work we need to get enough back from the credit hours generated to cover instructional costs.

- **Changes to Semester System:** The university administration would like to potentially move to a trimester system with a full suite of course offerings in the summer semester. However, this is difficult to accomplish in the current university structure and is not likely to occur in the near future.

- **Centralized Ordering for Computers and Software** - The University will develop a process for centralized approval of the purchase of all equipment and software on Purdue funds. Faculty using extramural funding for purchases you will not have to go through centralized office approval.

- **EDST PRODUCTIVITY DATA FOR 2012:** Dr. Samarapungavan discussed the productivity metrics for the department for the 2012 calendar year. EDST faculty numbers have gone down because of retirements, but there are 5 faculty searches approved for the Fall 2013. Filling these positions will help restore our faculty numbers.

- **RCM – Responsibility Center Management:** Purdue University currently uses a fairly centralized model. There are some indications that under the new administration we might be moving toward some kind of RCM model. One indication is an announcement from the University that they were going to return fringe benefits to the unit budgets.
instead of disbursing these centrally. As more information is giving, it will be shared with the department.

- Reminder: There is an EDST retirement reception today after the faculty meeting to honor retirees Jean Peterson, Sarah Templin and Bill McInerney. The reception will be held in BRNG 1284.

- Dr. Carole Pistole will serve as the new EDST assistant head.

- **HONORS TASK FORCE REPORT – NADINE DOLBY**

  The University has moved to establish an Honor’s College, in order to attract a more talented student body, and better serve those talented students that are already on campus. The Honor’s College will be inaugurated in August 2013 when the first freshman class will be recruited to this college. The overall target for the honors colleges is 600 students. Academic units will have some control over students from their program that are admitted to the honors college. A template is being created for the Honor’s College curriculum. A task force has been created to development recommendations for the curriculum. Dr. Dolby handed out a survey to the EDST faculty to complete on interest in working with Honor’s College students.

- **The recipients of EDST Faculty and Graduate Student Awards 2012-2013 were announced.**

  **Teaching:**
  Assistant Professor – Dr. Michael Yough  
  Associate Professor – Dr. Emily Bouck  
  Professor – Dr. Youli Mantzicopoulos

  **Engagement:**
  Associate Professor – Dr. Teresa Doughty  
  Professor – Dr. Marcia G entry

  **Discovery:**
  Assistant Professor – Dr. Yukiko Maeda  
  Associate Professor – Dr. Teresa Doughty  
  Professor: Dr. Sydney Zentall

  **EDST Graduate Student Teaching Award** - Clifford Jack – TA, EDST 20000

  **EDST Outstanding Dissertation Award** – Sara Flanagan, Special Education

  **Norbert Nelson Outstanding Educational Leadership Dissertation Awards:**
  Dr. Phillip Downs  
  Dr. Christine Ralston
Feldhusen Doctoral Fellowship in Education 2013:
Jiaxi Wu
Enyi Jen

COE Outstanding Dissertation Award – Sara Flanagan, Doctoral student in Special Education

Bilsland Dissertation Fellowship – Matthew Fugate, Doctoral Student in Gifted Education

Reports:

- **Graduate Studies Office:** Kathy Dietz – Programs are required to do evaluation on each graduate student. Please forward to Kathy Dietz. Deadline is May 8

- **Office of Professional Preparation and Licensure** – T.J. Oakes - No report

- **Office Field Experiences** – Ed Wiercioch - No report

- **Diversity Initiatives** – Lynette Flagge – No report

- **Office of Advising and Recruiting** – Jane Ann Dimitt - No report

The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 am.