Minutes Student Affairs Committee -- October 4, 2007

Present: Deb Andres, Royce Ann Collins, Diane DeNoon, Clark Harris, Judy Hughey, Ann Knackendoffel, Keith Powers, Bob Shoop, Erin Jurand (grad. stu. rep) and Kyle Johnson (UG student rep.)

1. Approval of minutes from April 5, 2007 meeting (Motion by Royce, Judy 2nd)

2. Old business - None

3. New business
   Internet Social Network Participation and Professional Ramifications - Judy brought forth an issue that she feels needs to be addressed with our students regarding the use of social networks such as Facebook and other similar Internet sites. There have been instances at other universities where education students have been dismissed from their college or not allowed to complete their student teaching because of inappropriate content that has appeared on these sites. A committee of faculty, public school teachers, administrators, and possibly COE students will be formed under the direction of Bob Shoop to discuss this issue and recommend some type of position statement to offer guidance for students in this area. It is important that our students understand the potential ramifications regarding the content they share on these sites and how it could impact their future teaching career. The undergraduate student handbook addresses qualitative aspects and professionalism and this might possibly be addressed more clearly under that area. Others from the Student Affairs Committee who will assist Bob in developing the position statement will include Deb, Clark and Kyle)

Computerized Testing Site for PPST
Keith brought forward another issue he is working on. Even though K-State has the largest teacher education program in the state, we don't have computerized testing services for our students who wish to take the PPST. In order to qualify as a computerized testing site, ETS requires that we have 15 computers dedicated for testing. There is a room in Holton but not computers at this time. Keith is working to get the computers in Holton and feels this will happen soon.

Distinguished Cooperating Teacher Award (Diane DeNoon) Aslin Costello, 1st grade teacher at Lakewood Elem. in Blue Valley is this year's recipient.

Outstanding Undergraduate Student Awards (Clark Harris & Deb Andres) Clark has requested the list of graduates and then will ask for nominations.

Outstanding Graduate Student Award - (Royce Collins) Will be working with Pam to get a list of eligible graduate students.

Outstanding Future Teacher Award - Keith sent out applications and they are due Oct 18.
   Online form was set up by Mary Hammel. He has already received some nominations.

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Asst. (This is a spring only award so no action at this time)

COE Grad Stud. Organization (Erin Jurand) - Plans are being made for upcoming meetings.

Education Council (Kyle) - Kyle reported that they are trying to get freshman and sophomores more involved in the COE. Sending out post cards. Social studies and math have started groups. Deb brought up that the most recent pub crawl t-shirt from the secondary block was inappropriate and needs to be addressed in the future.

4. Other -
   Graduate Student Graduation Brunch (Ann Knackendoffel) Ann reminded the committee that the Country Club will be closed for remodeling in the spring and we will need to find a different location for the spring graduate brunch.

5. Next Meeting Nov. 1, 2007 8:30 BH 368
Respectfully submitted by Ann Knackendoffel, SAC Secretary
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