Members Present: David Allsopp, Darlene Bruner, Ann Cranston-Gingras (Chair), Joann Eickhoff-Shemek, John Ferron, Victor Hernandez-Gantes, E.V. Johannningmeier, Joan Kaywell, Paul Terry, Nancy Williams

Members Absent: Weimin Mo, Sherry Kragler

Ex-Officios Present: Michael Berson, Darlene DeMarie, Harold Keller, Colleen Kennedy, Mike Stewart

Other Attendees: Rebecca Wilkins

Call to Order

The February 16, 2007 Faculty Council meeting was called to order by Ann Cranston-Gingras, Chair, at 12:25 pm.

Paul Terry moved to approve the agenda, Jim King seconded, and it was so moved.

Faculty Council

- Ann Cranston-Gingras held meetings with all chairs and directors to ask for volunteers or elected faculty members to serve on an Ad Hoc Committee. The following faculty will serve on the Ad Hoc Committee to Study Implications of State Board Rule 6A-5.066: Patty McHatton (Special Education); Rick Austin (Secondary Education); Sherman Dorn (Psychological & Social Foundations); Nell Faucette (PEWS); Marie Hill (DELPS); Jim King (Childhood Education); Gianna Rendina-Gobioff (Educational Measurement); Ann Cranston-Gingras (Ex-officio, Chair, Faculty Council); Darlene DeMarie (Ex-officio, Chair, UPC); Michael Stewart (Ex-officio, Associate Dean for Education Preparation); and, Paulette Walker (Ex-officio, SAS). This committee will have their first meeting on March 9, 2007.
- Bekki Wilkins will send notification to all chairs and director, advising them of the vacancies from their departments for new representatives they will need for 2007-2009. All committees are requesting that the new representatives will attend the last meeting of their respective committees.
- An election will be held for the new representatives to the Tenure & Promotion committee and will be due back by April 9, 2007.

Minutes

Faculty will review the minutes and forward any changes that may be needed. They will vote at the next meeting.
Dean’s Report

- The Wiznatski Pro-Am Strawberry Tournament raised over $70,000 net for Migrant Education scholarships in the College. The first recipient of the scholarship, Georgina Rivera-Singletary, used her scholarship to complete an Ed.S. degree in the department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies. Georgina, her husband, Ann Cranston-Gingras and I attended the Tournament dinner. The donors and guests were so very pleased to meet our scholarship winner and see how the scholarship fund directly benefits students!

- I met with the College Development Board on February 13. Chuck Pesano, Director of the Florida State Fair Grounds, hosted the meeting at the Fair Grounds. The Board was pleased to hear about: the College’s two major planned gifts amounting to approximately $800,000, the recently established Michelin Golf Classic Scholarship Fund of approx. $200,000 that funds SCATT students to tutor children at Joshua House, the Migrant Education scholarship events, and the Children’s Festival. The Board also appreciated receiving an update on our grant productivity, plans for iTunes U, and news of all of our searches that are underway. The Development Board has been instrumental in raising funds for the College (COEDU). I appreciate their assistance and Dick Dearolf’s leadership.

- Provost Khator invited me to present a brief overview of research in the COEDU and to select one faculty member to present his/her research. Dr. Susan Homan, who was joined by Carlo Franzblau who has funded her research and provided research assistants, did an outstanding job of presenting her reading research based on the software Mr. Franzblau created. Susan represented the College very well and the BOT workgroup was very impressed by her presentation!

- Twenty one searches are underway on the 3 campuses that comprise the COEDU. Three offers are pending and several interviews have been scheduled. Again, special thanks to search committee chairs, members, department chairs, and faculty for their efforts to recruit top notch faculty!

- The projected launch for iTunes U is late March. The Make it Happen committee and FCIT have done a great deal of work in preparation for our launch date. We’ll have a great deal of content to share on our site.

- Thanks to Ferman Motors the COEDU and SCATT will sponsor a reception for nationally board certified teachers. This event allows us to recognize the achievement of all newly board certified teachers and helps us to recruit students for our graduate programs.

- Our newly minted postcards announcing our successful NCATE accreditation visit are being distributed to selected institutions of higher education, state superintendents, policy makers, school board members, etc. The announcement cards were distributed and members of the Faculty Council were asked by Mike Stewart to give him names of other individuals or groups who should receive the announcement.
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- Mike Stewart announced that the Children’s Festival will be held on March 3. Several groups of students and faculty are participating. Additional volunteers are welcome.

**Consent Agenda**

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda and seconded. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda (as follows) was approved.

**Special Education – course description change – Daphne Thomas**  
Educating Students with Autism.................................................................EED 6246

There are no new courses listed on the certificates:

**Secondary Education – new certificate – Helen Gerretson**  
Mathematics Education Graduate Certificate

**Secondary Education – new certificate – Tony Erben**  
Foreign Language Education (Professional)

**Secondary Education – certificate name revision – Tony Erben**  
new “Foreign Language Education: Culture and Content” from “Foreign Language Education”

The Undergraduate Programs Committee approved the following motion and requests an endorsement from the Faculty Council:

Undergraduate programs leading to initial educator preparation certification in the College of Education will no longer require general education requirements as stated in the previous State Board Rule 6A-5.066. Effective summer 2006, undergraduate programs leading to initial educator preparation certification at the University of South Florida will require the general education requirements of the University of South Florida.

**GPC Meeting**

- Michael Berson, GPC Chair, noted the committee has been very busy reviewing numerous programs/courses/certificates. The committee was given a large packet of programs and courses to be reviewed and voted on at the next GPC meeting.
- The GPC requested that members go back to their departments and discuss the doctoral policy of 4-4 years which the university has adopted. Departments were asked to forward their responses to the committee. Most departments agreed with the 4-4 years policy as a great way to expedite doctoral graduation.
- Reminder to make sure your department is aware of submission deadline. In an effort to streamline the GPC submission process, make it more efficient, and professional, there will be specific deadline dates for submitting documents.
They are September 1\textsuperscript{st}, December 1\textsuperscript{st}, and February 1\textsuperscript{st}. By having deadline dates, this allows the subcommittees to review documents, notify faculty sponsors if changes are needed, receiving the final document in plenty of time for distribution to the entire committee for review and the GPC vote. Once approved by GPC, then on to the Faculty Council for approval and associate dean’s signature before being forwarded for submission to the university-wide council. These dates will hopefully allow everything to be completed before the end of the academic year. Committee members agreed this would help professionalize the process.

**UPC Meeting**

- The following motion was proposed by Patty McHatton:  
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**Adjournment**

The Council adjourned at 1:25 pm. The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 30, 2007.