

College of Education - Alumni Advisory Committee Meeting
Monday, September 18, 2006
Meeting Minutes

The College of Education Alumni Advisory Committee met Monday, September 18, 2006 from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the COE's Conference Room 1100 J. Those members in attendance were: Nicole Lewis, Roseanne Logan, Deb Miller, Amelia Simmons, Todd Williford. Guests (and prospective new members) in attendance were: Tonya Belin, Christopher Bowen, Tammy Tillman, and Adrienne Griffith. COE representatives attending were: Dr. Randy Carlson, Dean Cindi Chance, Beverly Frazier, Dr. Ronnie Sheppard, and Dr. Cordelia Zinskie.

Chairperson, Roseanne Logan, called the meeting to order and welcomed the visitors. Introductions were suggested and revolved around the room.

Items on the agenda were discussed:

Homecoming Parade – Parade preparations were discussed by Mrs. Deb Miller. She spoke of ideas the committee had already for homecoming and asked for volunteers and other ideas.

Various volunteers agreed to meet the Thursday afternoon before the parade to help decorate the golf cart. Decorating will begin in the COE parking lot. Volunteers included: Deb Miller, Todd Williford, Roseanne Major, Beverly Frazier, Pat Parsons, Daniel Rivera, Jan Anderson, and Glenn Eason. Mary Egger will be on hand to take digital photos during the parade. This year's theme is 'Shipwrecked at Georgia Southern.' Beverly and others will take care of getting décor items together. All will help decorate and ride in the parade. COE brick campaign fans will be distributed.

Homecoming Football Game – The Committee discussed and suggested field locations. The Gate nearest the entrance to Paulson Stadium (used in 2005) was desired. Need to set up and pass out COE Brick Campaign fans as close to the field as possible. Volunteers are going to pass out up to 1500 fans. This will assist COE in regard to the sale of bricks. We will greet the public as they enter the gates (near Gate 4) at Paulson Stadium. Beverly will discuss location setup with Dan O'Dowd, Southern Boosters and have fans ready for distribution. Those volunteering were Beverly Frazier, Roseanne Major, Deb Miller, Tonya Beilin, Jan Anderson, Glenn Eason, and Dean Cindy Chance.

Centennial Plaza and Brick Campaign - The Centennial Plaza and Brick Campaign was explained to guests and new members. This project was started in 2003/2004 by Mrs. Victoria Zwald and the Alumni Advisory Committee. After her death, the initial brick campaign profits, along with a major donation from her family, have been used to establish a scholarship in her memory. The scholarship has been fully endowed now and a plaque will be presented to her husband, Dr. Drew Zwald, at the opening program for Southern's Art Extravaganza on October 15, 2006.

Southern's Art Extravaganza (SAE) – Beverly Frazier gave a brief overview, with assistance from Dean Chance and Chair Roseanne Logan, regarding this wonderful local student event. The tentative 2006 Opening and Reception details were discussed. It will take place on Sunday,

October 15, 2006, starting at 3 p.m. This year's event will start out with awards in the COE Lecture Hall. Each student will be awarded a certificate. Dean Chance will be giving a few special awards and Senator Jack Hill plans to be in attendance.

Thirteen schools have advised the COE that they are participating and intend to submit art work from their students' work. Each school will be submitting two student's 2-D artwork for mounting on the walls of the COE 2nd Floor Hallway Gallery. As artwork comes into the COE, Beverly, Mary Egger, and the External Relations Grad Assistant, Danielle Smith, will be working on taking down last year's artwork and putting up the new for 2006.

The SAE invitation list was discussed and suggestions were made to enhance the event for 2007. Beverly Frazier mentioned that assistance is needed for the event as well as refreshments donated. A total of nine persons will be assisting with the event and/or donating refreshments: Beverly Frazier, Adrienne Griffith, Deb Miller, Dan Riviera, Roseanne Logan, Dr. Cordelia Zinskie, Mary Egger, Todd Williford, and Dean Chance.

After student artists receive their SAE recognition certificates, a group picture will be taken of all participating. It was suggested that all participating students leave the stage of the Lecture Hall to exit and stand with their framed artwork on the 2nd floor of the COE Classroom Building after the group photo. All other attendees will be asked to mill about the hallway reviewing and complimenting all student artwork. Photos will be taken of each student with their hanging artwork and Senator Jack Hill, if desired. Photos will be taken by assistance from Tammy Tillman and Mary Egger.

(Note added after SAE event: A grand total of 27 pieces were received from 13 schools throughout southern Georgia and all are hanging in Room 2148 area and the 2nd Floor Hallway Gallery.)

Committee Recruitment - Todd Williford led a discussion regarding this committee's recruitment needs. It was suggested that at each meeting, members should invite/bring a prospective person to the meeting. Guests should be interested in becoming members and be Georgia Southern University alumni.

Faculty Searches - Dr. Ronnie Sheppard and Dr. Cordelia Zinskie spoke about the various faculty searches in COE. Thirteen faculty searches are currently underway.

AAC Elections - Roseanne noted that it was time to elect a new Alumni Advisory Committee President as her term is up in December 2006. She asked for membership volunteers. Mrs. Deb Miller, Julia P Elementary teacher, volunteered. A vote was called and all agreed to accept Mrs. Miller as the 2007/2008 president elect. Congratulations DEB!!

Dean's Remarks - Dean Chance gave a brief overview of the Capital Campaign, COE Gifts and Scholarships, as well as discussed the campus and COE Centennial event vision.

The next meeting will be in the Spring 2007. Exact date to be announced later.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.