



## John H. Lounsbury College of Education Faculty Meeting- Notes

Present: C. Alby, J Berger, A. Berglund, E. Boewadt, Bradley, S. Brand, R. Bray, A. Christoff, B. Colquitt, H. Crook, N. DeClouette, K. Flachbarth, C. Garrett, D. Gregg, R. Grimes, JW, Good, C. Greer, M. Jordan, R. Kang, B. McClure, Y. Mehranian, R. Merritt, M. Middleton, N. Mizelle, B. Mugayitoglu, K. Muschaweck, L. Muschell, M. Newton, O. Osobov, M. Peck, J. Peters, J. Previts, C. Reynolds. S. Roman-Oliver, B. Roquemore, S. Smith, H. Srickland, N. Toomey, S. Waller, A. Whitaker, S. Wills, C. Woodhall.  
Regrets: R. Sumowski

**Date: August 09, 2023**

Time: 1-4 pm

Location: Room 226-227

Welcome: Steve Wills

Approval of notes from April 2023- Steve

Approved with the following changes:

MAT in Elementary Education forwarded on for the approval process (Elementary Ed, not Early Childhood)

Hat's Off, Steve, and Nicole

- We are proud that Dr. Chris Greer was nominated for an Emmy Award for his show on Georgia Public Broadcasting called Viewfinders. If you have not seen the show, it features outstanding photography and has an educational component. (see <https://viewfindersontv.com/>)
- Our Teacher Education Chair, Dr. Joanne Previts, was inducted into the Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society and our Professional Learning and Innovation Chair, Dr. Nancy Mizelle, received the Flisch-Harris Award for Leadership in the Cause of Liberal Education.
- One of our literacy faculty members, Dr. Alex Burglund, was selected as a Lilly Conference Fellow.
- Dr. Rob Sumowski, in addition to serving as the Presiding Officer of the University Senate, participated as a Governors Teaching Fellow.
- Dr. Rob Sumowski is serving as the senate president this year.
- Dr. Suzanna Roman-Oliver was selected as a Governor's Teaching Summer Fellow.
- Dr, Suzanna Roman-Oliver was recently awarded a book contract.
- Dr. Marcie Peck was asked by the Southern Poverty Law Center to present on "Teaching Hard History."

· And, Associate Dean Nicole DeClouette has been selected for the prestigious Education Policy Fellowship Program. This is a national professional development program sponsored by the Institute for Educational Leadership. The program provides potential leaders with the knowledge and networks to advance the core issues of education policy.

Our EDD program recently graduated its first candidate, April Dockery, a member of Cohort 1 of the Curriculum and Instruction Doctoral Program, successfully defended her dissertation Monday. She will be the first graduate from the program with others close to defending as well. Her committee included Chair Linda Bradley, Dr. Rob Sumowski, and Dr. Paulette Cross.

The COE recently was recognized by the National Council on Teacher Quality as A+ for our Reading program. We were the only Georgia institution with an A+. To put it in perspective UGA and Georgia State received "F" grades. Additionally, Intelligent.com ranked our Educational Leadership Programs as 21st in the nation.

GC THRIVE is a program for developmentally disabled students to participate in classes at Georgia College. This past year, we hosted the first two students. The THRIVE students also participated in the Day at the Capital event. For the upcoming year, the two students will return and be accompanied by another student. Funding for the program includes a \$10,000 technology grant and \$30,000 operations grant from the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Nicole presented Dr. Steve Wills with the GEM award from the COE for his contributions to the College.

1:15 Welcome Back Activities rotations- Marcie. Rotate every 20 minutes.

- 1)Maker Space introduction- Dierdre, Keisha
- 2)AI- Cynthia. Room 226
- 3)Planting- Marcie- outside room 226-227
- 4)Faculty Survey/Review Committee assignments/5-minute break- self monitoring Room 227

1:15-1:35

1:40-2:00

2:05-2:25

2:30-2:50

Reconvene in 226-227 at 2:55

- 1)Dean's report

Welcomed everyone back.

Introduced the new Strategic Pillars for GCSU. COE needs to set goals based on the pillars.

Announced Keisha is working on putting together a sensory room for faculty.

We don't know how much the professional development funds will be at this point. Will announce as soon as know the amount.

Introduced Dr. Whitaker- Call Me Mister

- 2)Claire, COE Cares

Reported she has restocked the food closet for students.

Asked for COE Cares donations.

- 3)Roddran, Curriculum Committee- faculty approval for removing prerequisites from dyslexia courses. Passed

Also talked about Constitution Week, Sept. 17-23.

4) Nancy- thank all those who are helping with the EDD program, especially those who are serving as Committee Chairs. Chairs earn 1 hour course credit for every semester, will eventually earn a course release. Please request that release well in advance.

5) Committee assignments- decisions. Assignments still open after this time and those requiring Department votes will be handled in department meetings the next day. Steve led group in committee assignments.