

**College of Education Senate  
December 16, 2002 Minutes # 313**

**Present:** Karen Breitbach-Couch, Deb Deemer, Sherry Gable, Deb Gallagher, Frank Kohler, Mick Mack, Lynn Nielsen, Jody Stone, Greg Reed, Dean Bill Callahan

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 by chair Sherry Gable. It was moved by Greg Reed and seconded by Mick Mack that the minutes of November 18 be accepted as printed. Passed.

**Old Business**

**Senate Retreat Update**--Deb Gallagher reported that the Senate/Management Team Retreat will be held February 7 at 8:00am – 1:00pm at the Holiday Inn of Cedar Falls. Topics to be addressed include professional development schools and support for scholarship in the College of Education.

Discussion focused on 1) the importance of defining specific guidelines and definitions for faculty scholarship; and 2) the disposition of the report of the CTE Task Force on Professional Development Schools.

It was moved by Frank Kohler and seconded by Karen Breitbach-Couch that two hours of structured discussion be allocated to each of the two topics at the Retreat. Motion carried.

**New Business**

**Selection of COE Faculty Representative to the Committee for the Class of 1943 Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching and the Ross A. Nielsen Professional Service Award**—Mark Grey was elected to serve on this committee as a COE representative and Greg Stefanich was elected as alternate.

**Dean's Report**--Dean Callahan reported that he planned to ask the CTE to appoint a feasibility committee to explore the final report of the COE Task Force on Professional Development Schools.

He reported that he has formed or will be forming committees to advise him on improving teaching in the COE, improving scholarship in the COE and improving service in the COE. He reported that faculty performance in these areas is not particularly lacking but that improvement should be targeted. He has also invited a committee of students to advise him regarding course content and teaching in the COE.

He also reported that University officials do not anticipate budget cuts this fiscal year but do anticipate cuts for the next fiscal year.

The Micro Computer Equipment Grant funds will be released this year with \$75,000 for the COE. There will not be a COE competition for these funds. Rather, these funds will be used to replace faculty computers where the age of the computer precludes repair.

Because Monday, January 20, is a University holiday, the next COE Senate meeting will be held on Friday, January 17 at 2:30 in the Dean's conference room.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm.