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College of Education  
University of South Alabama  
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10:00 AM ±12:00 PM, February 9, 2009

Members Present Dr. Richard L. Hayes, Dean; Dr. Thomas L. Chilton, Associate Dean; Dr. Phillip Feldman, Associate Dean; Dr. Harold Dodge, Interim Chair, Leadership and Teacher Education; Dr. Charles Guest, Chair, Professional Studies; Dr. Frederick Scaffidi, Chair, Health, Physical Education, and Leisure Studies; Dr. James Van Haneghan, Director, Assessment and Evaluation; Dr. Abigail Baxter, Director, Graduate Studies and Research; Dr. Andrea Kent, Director, Field Services; and James Stefurak, filling in for absent member Kathy Westbrook, COE Faculty Senate Representative. Also absent: Dr. Peggy Delmas, Director, Student Advising

Dean Hayes called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM

1. Information Update

For information and review, Dean Hayes distributed the following reports:

a. Spring Enrollment Data

Dr. Chilton distributed the Spring 2009 Enrollment Statistics and reported enrollments at the graduate level have declined for last 4 years but not as steep as it has been, while undergraduate level enrollments have increased slightly.

b. COE Minority Enrollment Spring 2009

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2. SACS/400-500 Level Courses

400 level or below course work could not be counted toward a graduate degree. The college has taken steps to remove all 400 level courses from the graduate program. The bulletin and our changes are complete with the exception of Early Childhood Special Ed which will be worked out soon.

3. Summer Schedule

Dr. Chilton has met with Dept Chairs to share previous summer enrollment numbers, number of majors for the past 3 years. This information is being used to determine the number of courses to be taught in each area.

4. Budget Analysis

Dean Hayes presented a power point presentation on State Budget Appropriations for 2009, a 20% decrease in appropriations from 2008. A major point raised to the DAC was to encourage externally funded research to absorb the decrease in appropriations as an alternative to reducing faculty and staff or raising tuition and fees.

5. Founders Day

Dr. Carl Glickman, President of Institute for Schools, Education and Democracy returned his honorarium for his Founders Day Lecture to the College for a scholarship.

6. Conflict of Interest and Commitment Report

All FCOI forms for faculty and administrators in the College have been filed by the September 30, 2008 deadline with the exception of one part-time faculty member who has yet to return her signed contract.

7. TracDat/SACS Review

All departments in the Coll