

Meeting Notes – FAPEL Fall 2014 Meeting

Morgridge International Reading, UCF

October 4, 2014

Welcome

Daniel welcomed attendees and recognized UCF as host for the meeting.

Rose introduced UCF faculty members and provided an overview of UCF's educational leadership programs. UCF graduate student Scott DeFillippo shared his experiences working with TeachLive.

Daniel then addressed housekeeping issues and reviewed the agenda.

Business Meeting

President's Report

Daniel Reyes-Guerra shared the FAPEL goals established at the summer retreat and elaborated on individual items.

Daniel Reyes-Guerra shared the recommendation by the board to eliminate the institutional membership, and opened the floor for a motion and/or discussion.

Discussion: Pat Maslin-Ostrowski asked for clarification regarding the rationale for the recommendation. Ken Murray suggested that the issue is under-utilization of institutional memberships, perhaps related to the economy (which is improving).

Action: Ken Murray moved to table the recommendation for one year, second by Lufti Ghazwan, motion carried by voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Rhonda Blackwell-Flanagan presented the FAPEL financial report [see Treasurer's report document].

Graduate Student Mentor Program Update

Rose Taylor discussed the FAPEL Graduate Student Mentor Program and introduced graduate student Enrique Vela.

FDOE Commissioner's Leadership Academy

Enrique Vela thanked Commissioner Stewart for his selection and shared his experiences as a participant in the Academy.

Florida Department of Education Reports and Q&A

Pamela Stewart

Commissioner Stewart discussed her experiences as a school leader and offered insights regarding the role of technology in schools and society, Florida's ranking in the Quality Counts report (and related data points), and the importance of educational leadership in improving school performance. Questions from participants focused on challenges related to (1) the school leader pipeline and (2) school accountability and related issues.

Eileen McDaniel

Eileen introduced a new FDOE team member, Melinda Milles (Senior Educational Program Director of Educator Preparation).

Eileen discussed the following topics:

- Rule 6A-5.082
- Continued Approval of Programs
- Wm. C. Golden resources
- IPEPS for Educational Leadership Programs (de-emphasis on standards 1 and 2; main emphasis on standard 3)

Vince Verges

Vince discussed the following topics:

- Overview of procurement/implementation process for Florida Standards Assessments
- Florida Standards Assessments Resources
- 2014 Legislation & Rule Changes

Phil Canto

Phil discussed the following topics:

- FELE changes 2014/15
 - Passing scores
 - New FELE structure
 - New FELE Fee Structure
 - BESAC

Interactive Session

Rhonda Blackwell Flanagan, Valerie Storey, Chris Amos, and John Hardman facilitated small group sessions.