

Agenda Item: Discussion of Vacancies on Councils and Boards of Trustees

Situation: There is a partial-term ending June 30, 2016, on the State Advisory Council on Indian Education.

Background: This vacancy results from the resignation of Bill Brewington.

Assessment: Heather Kimberly Dial Sellers has been nominated to fill this vacancy. This is supported by President Ross and by UNC Pembroke Chancellor Kyle Carter.

Action: Requires a Vote

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Curriculum and Instruction, Curriculum Studies North Carolina State University College of Education, Raleigh, NC May 13, 2006.
DISSERTATION: Struggling for Voice in a Black and White World: Lumbee Indians. Segregated Educational Experience in North Carolina
- Graduate Certification, Educational Administration and Supervision, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, NC 1996.
- Master of Arts in Reading Education K-12, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, NC 1996.
- Bachelors of Science in Elementary Education with an Academic Concentration in Psychology, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, NC 1992.
- CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARS THESIS: Effects of preschool on children's attitudes towards school

ACADEMIC/TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Associate Professor and Director of the Graduate Reading Education Program at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, North Carolina August 15, 2006-present
- Courses:

RDG 5150 Research in Literacy

EDN 5330: Leadership for Classroom Reading Instruction

RDG 5230 Professional Seminar in Reading Education

EDN 5530 Development, Culture, and Learning

RDG 5220 Literacy & Literature

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RDG 5430 Professional Seminar in Reading Education II

EDN 5150 Theory and Research in Literacy Development

RDG 5300 Reading & Writing in the Content Areas I (K-5)

EDN 5320 Culture, Communication, and Learning

RDG 5301 Reading & Writing in the Content Areas II (6-12)

EDN 5230, EDN 5430, & EDN 5630 Professional Seminars I-III in Reading Education

RDG 5320 Diversity and Multicultural Education

EDN 5300 Reading and Writing in the Content Areas

RDG 5330 Leadership in Reading

EDN 5350 Psychology of Reading

RDG 5630 Professional Seminar in Reading Education III

EDN 5650 Applied Philosophy of Education

- Supervised student interns: ECE 4500 Practicum for Professionals in Pre-kindergarten Settings in 2006-2007.
- Advise students in graduate reading education program.
- During 2009-2010 re-visioned the Master's of Arts in Reading Education Program and developed courses with Dr. Betty Wells Brown for the newly revised Reading Education Program. All graduate education programs were under mandatory revisioning due to new standards for graduate programs and specialty areas. This revisioned program was submitted in 2010, approved with no revisions and begins with new coursework in the fall of 2011. The revisioning involved my co-development of four new courses and modification of five previous courses with Dr. Betty Wells Brown.
- Participated/prepared reporting documentation and met with evaluators for the 2007 National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) visit for the University of North Carolina at Pembroke School of Education- specifically the Master's of Arts in Reading Education Program. The Teacher Education Program met all six of the NCATE standards and the Teacher Education Program was rated at the highest level that NCATE refers as "target," in seven areas.
- Adjunct Lecturer, Reading Education University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, North Carolina February 2006-August 15, 2006
- Research Consultant, Assist in research and forwarding the goals of the Nurturing Mathematics Dreamkeepers research project at North Carolina State University College of Education, Raleigh, NC August 15, 2006.
- Graduate Teaching Assistant ECI 305 Principles of Teaching Diverse Populations: Teaching in the areas of diversity and multicultural education. North Carolina State University College of Education, Raleigh, NC Fall 2002, Spring 2003, and Fall 2005.
- Guest Lecturer, Presented on the topic of Higher Education and Minority Serving Institutions the Lumbee Segregated Schools experience to a class of graduate education students. North Carolina State University College of Education, Raleigh, NC Summer 2004.
- Fifth Grade Language Arts/ Social Studies Teacher, Teaching in the areas of language arts, reading, and social studies. Fifth Grade Team Leader during the years 1995-1999. Red Springs Middle School, Red Springs, North Carolina 1995-1999.
- Fifth grade self-contained Teacher, Teaching in all subject areas. Red Springs Middle School, Red Springs, North Carolina 1996-1997.

- Eighth Grade Reading/Communications Skills Teacher, Teaching in the areas of language arts, reading. Red Springs Middle School, Red Springs, North Carolina 1995-1995.

LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION

- Certification in Reading (Grades K-12) issued 7/2011 in NC by the State of North Carolina State Board of Education Department of Public Instruction
- Curriculum Instructional Specialist issued 7/2011 in NC by the State of North Carolina State Board of Education Department of Public Instruction
- Principal (Grades K-12) issued 7/2011 in NC by the State of North Carolina State Board of Education Department of Public Instruction
- Elementary Education (Grades K-6) issued 7/2011 in NC by the State of North Carolina State Board of Education Department of Public Instruction

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Professional

- 2012-13 Submitted an NCQuest grant with Dr. Betty Wells Brown, Dr. Lisa Mitchell, and Dr. Mark Schwarze, and Dr. Barbara B. Synowicz and the Public Schools of Robeson County to impact the students in Robeson County. This grant was not funded, but we were given a great evaluation and feedback to guide us in our additional efforts.
- 2012 Received an award of \$2,500 from the Mid-Career Faculty Support Initiative HOPES Program to assist my publication efforts.
- 2011-12 Recipient of an EARDA grant with Dr. Frankie Denise Powell and Dr. Len Holmes as part of the EARDA grant to establish a Research Development Working Group. Collaborated with Dr. Betty Wells Brown and Dr. Valjeaner Ford.
- 2011 Received a small grant from Reading is Fundamental to support the efforts of the Reading Education Program with the American Indian Parent Workshop activities for the Public Schools of Robeson County Indian Education Program.
- 2009-2010 I continued as co-program director for the Leading and Literacy Communities – Reading project funded by the NC Quest Grant Cycle VII for \$297, 947 to work with Hoke County School. In September 2010 the grant was completed and in December, we received information from the Center for Leadership that this grant had met all requirements.
- 2008-2009 Served as a co-program director with Dr. Nancy Cerezo, Dr. Valjeaner Ford, and Cynthia Miecznikowski of a \$300,000 NC Quest Grant that was awarded in March 2009 of which Dr. Betty Wells Brown is the Project Director. The grant is entitled “Leading and Literacy Communities-Reading,” this grant is to support and improve reading instruction in Hoke County.
- 2007-Present Program Director of Reading Education program UNC Pembroke
- 2008-2009 Served on the UNC Study Commission to Review Student Codes of Conduct as They Relate to Hate Crimes. The Commission was appointed by UNC President Erskine Bowles.
- Served as team leader in grade level from 1996 to 1999, Red Springs Middle School
- Nominated for teacher of the year Red Springs Middle School in 1997

NC State- Honors

- AERA Junior Scholars of Color, North Carolina State University 2004

Grants

- Gates Millennium Scholar, North Carolina State University 2000-2005

UNC Pembroke- Honors

- Psi Chi, University of North Carolina at Pembroke 1992-1993
- Alpha Chi, University of North Carolina at Pembroke 1992-1993

Grants/Scholarships

- Indian Fellowship Grant, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, 1993-1995
- Chancellor’s Scholar Scholarship, Chancellor’s Scholars Program, University of North Carolina at Pembroke 1989-1993
- North Carolina Veterans. Scholarship, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, 1992-1995
- James Lee Love Scholarship, University of North Carolina at Pembroke 1989

RESEARCH INTERESTS •Reading Education •Diversity •Teacher Empowerment •Preschool Education •Critical Race Theory •Qualitative Research •Critical Pedagogy •Critical Social Transformation of the Schools •History of Schooling-Segregated Indian Schools of the Past

TEACHING INTERESTS •Reading Education •Curriculum Studies •Elementary Education-Reading •Multicultural Education/Diversity

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS/ACTIVITIES

- Member of the Gates Millennium Scholars Alumni Advisory Strategic Planning Taskforce as of October 2012.
- Member, North Carolina Reading Association (NCRA) since 2007
 - I am now the President of the North Carolina College Reading Professors for the 2012-2013 year. The North Carolina College Reading Professors is a special interest group of the N.C. Reading Association.
- Member, International Reading Association since 2008
- Member, National Association for Multicultural Education (NAME) since 2005
- Member, North Carolina State University American Indian Alumni Society (AIAS) since 2003
- Triangle Native American Society (TNAS)

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Currently working on a research article with Dr. Brown and Dr. Mitchell related to the American Indian Read-ins we have conducted in the fall semesters.
- Currently working on a prospectus for a book related to the segregated school experience of the Lumbee Indians (My dissertation research).
- Book Chapter: Struggling for a Voice in a Black and White World in *Transformations in Schooling: Historical and Comparative Perspectives* (April 2007).
- Book Reviews:
 - Humez, Jean M. *Harriet Tubman (The Life and the Life Stories)*. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2004. In *MultiCultural Review*, 13(3) (fall 2004).
 - Bright, William. *Native American Placenames of the United States*. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2004. In *MultiCultural Review*, 14(1) (spring 2005).
 - Duvall, Deborah L. *Rabbit Goes Duck Hunting: A Traditional Cherokee Legend*. Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2004. In *MultiCultural Review*, 14(2) (summer 2005).
 - Conley, Robert J. *Cherokee Medicine Man*. Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2005. In *MultiCultural Review* 14(4) (winter 2005).
 - Conley, Robert J. *The Cherokee Nation: A History*. Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2005. In *MultiCultural Review* 15(1) (spring 2006).
 - LeBeau, Patrick Russell. *Rethinking Michigan Indian History*. East Lansing: Michigan State University Press, 2005. In *MultiCultural Review* 15(2) (summer 2006).
 - Swann, Brian. *Algonquian Spirit: Contemporary Translations of the Algonquian Literatures of North America*. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2006. In *MultiCultural Review* 15(2) (summer 2006).
 - Musick, Pat, with Jerry Carr and Bill Woodiel. *Stone Songs on the Trail of Tears: The Journey of an Installation*. Fayetteville: University of Arkansas Press, 2006. In *MultiCultural Review* 15(3) (fall 2006).
 - Coffee, Robin. *A Scar Upon Our Voice*. Albuquerque: University Of New Mexico Press, 2005. In *MultiCultural Review* 15 (3) (fall 2006).
 - Hamill, James. *Going Indian*. Champaign: University of Illinois Press, 2006. In *MultiCultural Review* 15 (4) (winter 2005).
 - Paper, Jordan. *Native North American Religious Traditions: Dancing for Life*. Westport, Connecticut: Greenwood/Praeger, 2006. In *MultiCultural Review* 16(2) (summer 2007)
 - Review of *The Little Moon Princess*, by Y. J. Lee. *MultiCultural Review* 19(3), 69.
 - Review of *Wolf Wanted*, by Ana Maria Machado. *MultiCultural Review*, 19(3), 69.
 - Review of *Odetta: The queen of folk*, by Stephen Alcorn. New York: Scholastic, 2010.
 - Review of *The City Speaks in Drums*, by Shauntay Grant. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada: Nimbus, 2010.
- Presentations:
 - March 11, 2013 North Carolina Reading Association Reading Conference "Finding balance! Listening and Speaking for Success in a technological world!" with Dr. Betty Wells Brown.
 - September 20, 2012 NC Teacher Education Forum "Read In! Promote literacy and cultural awareness" with Dr. Betty Wells Brown, Mr. Robert Canida, Ms. Anne Coleman, and Dr. Lisa Mitchell.
 - March 14, 2011 North Carolina Reading Association Reading *Leaders Impact! How to Develop Teacher Leadership* with Dr. Betty Wells Brown
 - March 2010 North Carolina Reading Association *Parent's Night Out! Taking the Leadership Component to the Next Level* with Dr. Betty Wells Brown
 - March 26, 2010 Presented information about the GMS Scholarship to counselors for the 3rd Annual Southeast Region of North Carolina Drive-In Workshop at UNC-Pembroke
 - September 2010 Teacher Education Forum *Leadership Projects: In Focus* with Dr. Betty Wells Brown
 - 2008- Presented at the NCACTE Teacher Education Forum, "Do Your Students See Themselves In Your Classroom?: Through the Lens of Multicultural Education", and was a part of planning committee for the 2007 & 2008 NCACTE Teacher Education Forums.
 - 2008- Presented my dissertation research concerning the Lumbee educational experience in the segregated Indian Schools in Hoke and Robeson counties to participants in Dr. Olivia Oxendine's Elder Teachers Project research grant.

- 2008- Attended and presented, *Creating Multicultural Educators: Through the use of Children's Literature*, at the NC Closing the Achievement Gap Conference with Dr. Betty Wells Brown.
- Struggling for Voice in a Black and White World: Lumbee Indians. Segregated Educational Experience in North Carolina, American Indian Science and Engineering Society Conference in Charlotte, NC (November 2005)
- Cultural Categories, Hegemony, and the Schooling of the Lumbee Indians in Nineteenth-Century North Carolina, American Educational Research Association (AERA) Conference in San Diego, CA (April 2004)
- From Segregation to Desegregation: Three Lumbee Indians Reflect on the Past in North Carolina, UNC-Chapel Hill New Directions in American Indian Research: A Gathering of Emerging Scholars Conference in Chapel Hill, NC (January 2004)
- Struggling for Voice in a Black and White World: Lumbee Indians in North Carolina, 34 Annual National Indian Education Association (NIEA) Convention, Greensboro, NC (November 2003)
- Struggling for Voice in a Black and White World: Lumbee Indians in North Carolina, AERA Conference in Chicago, IL (April 2003)
- Student Portfolios as Evidence of True Assessment-to instructors at Red Springs Middle School (1998)
- Goal Setting-for students- educational enrichment at a summer 4-H youth program (1998)
- New Developments in Reading- to instructors at Red Springs Middle School (1997)
- Writing and Literature Educational Enrichment- Mini-Workshop for students. educational enrichment activities at J. W. McLaughlin (1994)
- Writing and Literature Educational Enrichment- Mini-Workshop for students. educational enrichment activities at W. H. Knuckles (1993)
- Chancellor's Scholars Thesis: Effects of preschool on children's attitudes towards school (1993)
- How to Obtain Scholarships- for undergraduate students at University of North Carolina at Pembroke (1991)

LEADERSHIP

➤ Professional Development:

- 2013-Present- Participation in the UNC BRIDGES Academic Leadership for Women program is a professional development and enrichment program to grow more women leaders in higher education in North Carolina.

➤ University Service:

- 2007-present- Participated and served on the Teacher Education Committee as the program director of the Master's in Reading Education Program at UNC-P.
- 2007-present -Participated and served on the Graduate Council Committee as the program director of the Master's in Reading Education Program at UNC-P.
- 2012-2013 Working to continue to recruit more students for a potential Reading Education Master's Cohort at Southeastern Community College in Whiteville, NC for the Graduate School with the assistance of Dr. Betty Wells Brown. This will be a new distance education site for this program.
- 2011-present I have served on the Faculty Senate Faculty Development & Welfare Subcommittee representing the interests of the School of Education.
- 2012-until 2015 I have been selected to serve on the Faculty Senate (for the faculty-at-large representative).
- 2011-2012 Served on the Search Committee for the Dean of the Honors College.
- 2010 Sponsored 2 Graduate students' through the NC Quest grant to attend the 2010 NC Reading Conference.
- 2009-2010 Served on the Peer Evaluation Committee for Dr. Heather Higgins.
- 2009-2010 Participated in the Elementary Education Faculty Search Committee for a Mathematics position, but this search was ended due to a hiring freeze.
- 2009-2010 Worked to begin a new Reading Education Master's Cohort at Sandhills Community College as well as at the Fort Bragg Education Center for the Graduate School with the assistance of Dr. Betty Wells Brown, the leadership of the School of Education, and the Graduate School. This became a new distance education site for this program.
- 2009-2010 Participated and served as Chair of the Teacher Education Committee's Long Range Planning Subcommittee.
- 2009 Worked to begin a new Reading Education Master's Cohort at Sandhills Community College for the Graduate School with the assistance of Dr. Betty Wells Brown, the leadership of the School of Education, and the Graduate School.
- 2009- Served as Chair on the Department of Professional Leadership Faculty Search Committee for Assistant Professor (Education Research) and Assistant Professor Educational Generalist.
- 2008-2009 Participated and served as Chair of the Teacher Education Committee's Long Range Planning Subcommittee.
- 2009 Sponsored 8 Graduate students, in the second Graduate Student Poster Session. I met and shared information with three potential Reading Education students.
- 2008-2009 Served on the Peer Evaluation Committee for Dr. Laura Staal.
- 2008-2009 Served as Chair on the Elementary Education Faculty Search Committee for a Language Arts position.
- 2008-Present Participated and served on the Teacher Education Committee's Long Range Planning Subcommittee.
- 2008 Participated in the School of Education Scholarship Award Committee.
- 2008 Participated in the School of Education Dean Search Committee.

- 2008 Sponsored a Graduate student, Heather Plourde, in the first Graduate Student Poster Session. I met and shared information with two potential Reading Education students.
- 2008 Served on the Peer Evaluation Committee for Dr. Susan Gebhard.
- 2007 Served on the Elementary Education Faculty Search Committee for a Science Education and Language Arts position.
- 2007-Present- Participated in UNC Pembroke's fall "open house" Pembroke Day for the School of Education
- 2007-Present- Participated in Graduate Orientation- I met and shared information with new graduate students in the Reading Program.
- 2007-Present- Participated in the Graduate School Finale
- 2007 Began a new Reading Education Master's Cohort in Lee County for the Graduate School with the assistance of Dr. Kathleen Hilton, Dr. Betty Wells Brown, and Ms. Glenda Jones (Human Resources Director of Lee County Public Schools). This became a new distance education site for this program.

➤ *Community Service:*

- 2009-2013 Continuing the partnership of the UNCP Reading Education Program and the Robeson County Indian Education program for conducting an annual Parent's Reading Workshop. Our next workshop is scheduled for October 16, 2013. This is such a successful event that allowed our candidates to shine as future reading specialists' working with parents and children that we will continue to work with the Indian Education Program to impact the American Indian population in Robeson County. The American Indian population is at high risk for school failure.
- 2009-Present I served as a reader for the Gates Millennium scoring and selection process. This prestigious honor is bestowed upon a select group of individuals from across the country that will choose the next cohort of Gates Millennium Scholars from the American Indian Community. I am a Gates Millennium Scholars alumna; I received this scholarship during its inaugural year.
 - I presented information about the Gates Millennium Scholarship to counselors at the UNCP Counselor Workshop on March 26, 2010.
- 2012-2013 Served as a reader and trainer for the 2012-2013 Gates Millennium scoring and selection process.
- 2012-2013 Member of the Gates Millennium Scholars Alumni Advisory Strategic Planning Taskforce.
- 2010-Present Organize/Facilitate the Hoke County Gates Millennium Scholars Program Information Night for American Indian students in Hoke County from grades 7-12 and their parents were invited to this GMS Presentation. Information on the GMS Scholarship is shared with students and parents. I am an alumna of the Hoke County School system and this is my way of giving back.
- 1997-2010 I have served as an interviewer with the Teaching Fellows Regional Committee since 1996, but because of the demands of the economy North Carolina this scholarship is ending its support. Two thousand eleven was the last year to interview candidates for this program.
- 2009- I participated in Public Schools of Robeson County's Indian Education Middle School Native American Student Association Day by speaking to the youth about how to apply for financial aid and receive scholarships/grants specifically the Gates Millennium Scholarship.