

September 14, 2010

Education, Service, Patient Care Committee

Summation of plan of action for "Faculty Senate Day of Service"

OPTION 1:

GED and Literacy program, NOPLAY (New Orleans Providing Literacy to All Youth).

Visit the Youth Empowerment Project (Tulane and Broad). This is a project that is educating youths (16-17y) that have dropped out of school. They would like discussions on different career options – particularly attainable ones. So this would include the support staff for our professions. If a student is really excited about something – they would like to consider the opportunity of shadowing.

They have 2 classes daily: 10am - 1pm and 2pm – 5pm . The class is combined on Friday.

15 students are enrolled but generally about 10 show up. There are also 'drop ins'.

They are excited about this opportunity.

OPTION 2:

Visit KIPP Charter School(s) Orleans Parish

A liason (Kelly McClure) has been initiated and Ms. McClure has relayed our interests to the school leaders (9/10/10). As of 9/14/10, we are awaiting a reply.

The plan is for interested senators to visit the classrooms and have open discussion with the students. It is envisioned that the discussion could be initiated in the following ways:

1. Science Literacy – open general discussion about Science professions or how 'science' relates to almost all careers. This would encourage students not to be afraid of science. Science is a part of their daily life and they are all able to choose a career which incorporates science.
2. Career Literacy – open discussion on careers in Health Sciences where specific faculty would discuss how they chose their career, how they got there and what their job entails.
3. Combination of the two.

Plan of Action: It is hoped that between Options 1 and 2, all the senators will participate at one of the events. This will hopefully be on the same day or several days within one week so it meets the requirement of a Faculty Senate Day of Service. Preferably NOPLAY will take place on a Friday since the two classes meet together on that day.

OPTION 3: specific for Allied Health

Northshore High, 100 Panther Drive, Slidell, LA 70461.

This school has a year- long Allied Health Course (I and II). They would love the opportunity to incorporate 'real' Allied Health professionals in their course – guest lecturers or perhaps what you would suggest. This was initiated and the first visit occurred September 10, 2010 (separate report).