



The Brody Women Faculty Committee Newsletter

March 2012

Highlights of BWFC March Meeting

The March BWFC meeting opened with a presentation from Margaret Wirth, Interim Director of the “Center for Stem Education” in the College of Education at East Carolina University. Dr. Wirth discussed the Center’s Mission:

1. Improve the quality and quantity of K-12 teachers of science and mathematics;
2. Provide strong experiences in science and mathematics for all K-16 students, while increasing the number of graduates pursuing careers in STEM disciplines;
3. Create a supportive environment for multidisciplinary research, evaluation and assessment while bridging the gap between educators and STEM professionals; and
4. Encourage community engagement that leads to increased university partnerships with school districts, business and industry.

Next she provided an overview of several on-going programs and opportunities/resources for the BWFC membership. These include Teach Net, an online collaboration system for STEM curriculums, Lending library and The Expert’s Bureau, a program for faculty to offer their expertise to educators and provide their services to schools for free. Finally, Margaret discussed a new initiative “Brown Bag Lunches”. Two events are scheduled in April

and will provide the opportunity for faculty to eat lunch and share their time with 8th grade female students (see flyer). For more information and/or to volunteer please go to the Center for Stem Education website (<http://www.ecu.edu/educ/csmte/>), link to their newsletter (<http://www.ecu.edu/cs-educ/csmte/upload/CSMTE-NEWSLETTERfinal5.pdf>), or contact Margaret (wirthm@ecu.edu)

Rukiyah Van Dross reported on the March fundraiser for the Summer Brody Scholars and request for summer mentors. In addition, she brought to our attention the need to improve the diversity of the “standardized patients” used to train the medical students. This request was brought to the VCDI by the medical students. As a follow-up to the February VCDI and BWFC combined meeting, a subgroup on diversity is being formed. Rachel Roper volunteered to represent the BWFC. Additional volunteers are welcome to participate in the first initiative to develop “The Diversity Minute”, short, specific emails addressing diversity issues.

Upcoming BWFC Events

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! Professional Leadership in Medicine & Science Program

(formerly Women in Science and Medicine Conference), “*Career Mapping and Positivity*” with Presentations by Monica Leach, PhD, “**Career Mapping & Personal Choices**” and Kathy Sprau, “**It’s All About Me... I Can Make a Positive Difference**”.

April 18th, 2012, 12:00 – 5:00 ECHI. To register for the event, please visit

<http://www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/bsomfacdev/120418.cfm>

Professional Leadership in Medicine and Science Program

Keynote Speakers:

“Career Mapping and Personal Choices”
“It’s All About Me... I can Make a Positive Difference”

April 18, 2012

12:00pm -5:00pm

East Carolina Heart Institute
115 Heart Drive, Greenville NC

(located across from the East Care Helicopter Landing Pad)



Paul Cunningham, Dean
Brody School of Medicine



Kathy Sprau
Motivational Speaker



Monica Leach, PhD
NC State University

Conference Agenda

12:00 pm	Lunch
12:45 pm	Conference Introduction by Dean Cunningham
1:00 pm	Career Mapping and Personal Choices by Dr. Monica Leach
2:30 pm	Break
2:45 pm	Group discussion
3:15 pm	It's All About Me...I Can Make a Positive Difference by Kathy Sprau

Please mark your calendars for the **BWFC meeting May 15th**, 12:00 – 1:30 in Brody 2W-38. End of Year Celebration and Officer Elections.

Your Attention, Please!

Accomplishments

Congratulations Rachel Roper (Department of Microbiology). Rachel Roper, Ph.D. was recently notified by the Office of Technology Transfer that a patent had been issued for “***METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR POXVIRUS A35R PROTEIN***”.

Congratulations and a BIG THANK YOU to Kelly Warren, Rukiyah Van Dross, Lorita Rebellato, Kathy Verbanac and Paula Daughtry for volunteering their time and organizing a successful Brody Summer Scholar Fundraiser! Through their combined efforts and support of the

BSOM, this three day fundraiser raffle raised \$2179 to fund undergraduate summer research.

BWFC Mission Approved

The results of the survey vote on the revised BWFC mission statement were 32 members responded yes, 0 responded no, and 24 members did not respond to the survey.

Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Women

The Chancellor’s Committee on the Status of Women (CCSW) is seeking nominations for new members for 2012-2015. Both self-nominations

and nominations by colleagues are welcome. **Nominations are due by April 15 and nominees will be notified by June 15. The appointments are for 3 years.** Submit nominations electronically through the following website:
https://ecu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_5b9gxJ8LW05JAqM

Volunteers Needed!

Consider volunteering to serve on the BWFC executive committee for 2012-2013. Open positions for Program Chairs, Chair Elect, and Secretary/Treasurer. Elections will be held during the May BWFC Business meeting (contact Jamie DeWitt for more information).

2012 BWFC Faculty Advocacy Award

Nominations for the 2012 BWFC Faculty Advocacy Award have been extended. The Brody Women

Faculty Advocacy Award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated leadership in promoting, encouraging or implementing policies to facilitate the professional development of women faculty and/or students. Please consider nominating a BWFC member, self nominations are welcome. (contact Jamie DeWitt for nomination application).

Have you had a paper accepted for publication recently? Had a grant funded? Made a contribution through community service? Been appointed to a committee or board?

WE WANT TO KNOW! Send your accomplishments to Barbara Muller-Borer (mullerborerb@ecu.edu) and we will help get the word out. Please refer to the BWFC Website for current information.

www.ecu.edu/cs-dhs/bwfc/

Opportunities

INSPRE Program – Tenured BWFC members have been asked to participate in the INSPRE program. The goal of this program is to provide skills to move faculty through the academic program and to help develop a rich and diverse BSOM. Please contact Barbara Muller-Borer (mullerborerb@ecu.edu) if you would like more information or can **volunteer your time** and attend one or more of the scheduled meetings (see list below).

Calendar for Peer Mentoring Sessions –5:30pm - 7:00pm – Food Provided

April 10, 2010 – Negotiation

May 8, 2010 – Feedback and Sensitive Issues

June 12, 2010 – Project Management/Meeting Management/Closure

BWFC Professional Development Award – Apply for a Brody Women Faculty Professional Development award, intended to advance the professional development and leadership abilities of women at BSOM. Take advantage of this great opportunity to get support to go to a meeting or program that could make the difference in your career! For more information contact Barbara Muller-Borer (mullerborerb@ecu.edu)

Application's Now Open for the AAMC Early Career Women Faculty Professional Development Seminar. The Early Career Women Faculty Professional Development Seminar is a three-and-a-half-day program **designed for women at the assistant professor or instructor level.** This year's seminar is scheduled for July 7–10 in Potomac, Md. The seminar is targeted at physicians and Ph.D. scientists holding medical school appointments and considering leadership positions within their disciplines, departments, or institutions.

www.aamc.org/meetings

Resources

In collaboration with the [ECU Leadership Collaborative](#), Joyner Library has assembled a display collection of books available for checkout in multiple fields of leadership. The collection consists of more than 200 titles exploring the topic of leadership in business, community relations, education, political science, psychology, and more. Authors include Malcolm Gladwell, Steven Covey, Peter Drucker, and Robert Greenleaf. The display is located at the entrance to Joyner Library, adjacent to the circulation desk. For more information contact Rebekah Rogers, Interim Coordinator of the Leadership Collaborative, at rogersr@ecu.edu or Mark Sanders, Assistant Director of Public Services – Joyner Library, at sandersm@ecu.edu

Stop by the BWFC lending library located in Brody 2N-72E. A sampling of books includes:

- "CAREER STRATEGIES FOR WOMEN IN ACADEME" by Lynn Collins

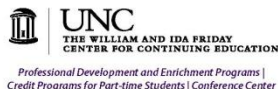
- “CHANGING THE CULTURE OF ACADEMIC MEDICINE 2010” by Linda Pololi
- “HOW REMARKABLE WOMEN LEAD 2009” by Joanna Barsh
- “LEADING FROM THE FRONT” by Angie Morgan and Courtney Lynch
- “THE POWER OF FOCUS FOR WOMEN” by Fran Hewitt
- “WHAT'S HOLDING YOU BACK?” by Linda Austin

Contact Barbara Muller-Borer (mullerborerb@ecu.edu) if there are additional books or references that you would like added to this collection.

Goings-On of Possible Interest

Recruiting for Bridges Professional Leadership Program

"Participating in BRIDGES encouraged me to be bold in my pursuit of professional advancement, but to temper that boldness with grace and compassion for others, and of course, to take others along with me as I move up and over. I feel better prepared to take on new challenges, conquer professional fears, and realize the plans I have laid for myself. Equally as important are the relationships I formed with my BRIDGES sisters, who both listened to me and shared their wisdom freely. I am forever grateful for this opportunity and will certainly encourage other women to participate." —Program participant



September 7–November 10, 2012

BRIDGES is an intensive professional development program for women in higher education who seek to gain or strengthen their academic leadership capabilities.

Application Deadline: May 1, 2012

For more information and to apply, visit our Web site,

fridaycenter.unc.edu/bridges

or contact Annette Madden, Associate Director

Friday Center for Continuing Education

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

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Center for Stem Education

STEM Girls 2012 Brown Bag Lunches

Calling Female
STEM²
faculty

Why are
Math & Science
Important??

Discuss your career
and STEM
Education!

The great aim of education is not knowledge, but action.
— Herbert Spencer

Wednesday, April 18, 2012	Wednesday, April 25, 2012
Bethel School (K-8)	C.M. Eppes Middle School (6-8)
Lunch 12:00—12:35pm	Lunch 12-1 pm

The MAGIC STEM² Girls Tensor Grant needs your help!
Volunteer to eat lunch and share your time with
8th grade female students

RSVP, if you would like to participate in the lunches:
Margaret Wirth Email: wirthm@ecu.edu Tel: 252-328-6164
The Center for STEM Education