## The Beatrice S. and David I. Miller 2000-2001Annual Report to Policy Council April 23, 2001

As you know, the Beatrice S. & David I. Miller Education Seminar Series Committee was established by Policy Council in 1992 as the Lectures and Seminars Series. In 1999, Drs. Miller designated a generous state gift to endow the Committee's work. In recognition of their pledged gift the School of Education has renamed the Committee. The Committee's goal is to foster intellectual engagement in the School of Education by inviting well-known scholars to share their thinking with faculty and students in a formal lecture followed by an informal seminar. During 2000-2001, the membership was: Dorothy Gabel, George Kuh, Ed McClellan, Amy Flint, Joyce Alexander and Jack Cummings (at large). I am delighted to share with you the Committee's accomplishments on behalf of the School of Education.

During Fall, 2000, we worked hard to bring to the School of Education two outstanding scholars. First, in collaboration with The Poynter Center for the Study of Ethics and American Institutions, and the SOTL Initiative, Office of Academic Affairs, Dean of the Faculties, on October 18<sup>th</sup>, Regina Kreisle, M.D., Ph.D. gave the lecture, Human Subjects Issues and Educational Research: When Students Become Human Subjects. Dr. Kreisle is Associate Professor of Pathobiology at the School of Veterinary Medicine, Purdue University, and Assistant Director for Curriculum Development, Lafayette Center for Medical Education, Indiana University School of Medicine. Second, on November 15<sup>th</sup>, Dr. David Charles Berliner, Regents' Professor, Dean of the College of Education, Arizona State University, gave the lecture, What Business Ought to be Concerned About in American Education.

During Spring, 2001 in collaboration with the SOTL Initiative, Office of Academic Affairs, Dean of the Faculties, an outstanding education scholar, Dr. Lee Shulman, President of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and Charles E. Ducommun Professor of Education Emeritus, Stanford University gave the lecture, *Education and the Professions: A Perspective on Professing and Scholarship*. All of the scholarly presentations mentioned above took place at the Auditorium where most of the time there were not enough seats for all of those attending.

At the present time, the hard-working Committee has already invited two outstanding scholars for Fall, 2001 and Spring, 2002. For Fall, 2001, Dr. Ken Strike, Professor of Philosophy of Education and Chair of the Department of Educational Policy and Leadership at the University of Maryland, College Park will be the lecturer. For Spring 2002, Dr. Nancy H. Hornberger, Professor of Education and Director of Educational Linguistics, Graduate School of Education, University of Pennsylvania will be the lecturer.

This is my last semester as chair. I enjoyed it greatly. Before leaving, I invited Committee members to suggest the name of a new chair. However, there were no volunteers or suggestions to share with you.