

**Minutes of the
Professional Education Council
February 13, 2013 – 3:30
GRH 3073**

▪Voting Members present: Chair - Sam Evans, Janet Applin, Lauren Bland, Kathy Croxall, Sylvia Dietrich, Gary Houchens, Thomas Kingery, Gail Kirby, Nathan Love, Kerrie McDaniel, Vivian Moody, Kay Gandy (for Lisa Murley), Retta Poe, Jill Sauerheber, Adam Spinks, Tadayuki Suzuki, Robyn Swanson, Rico Tyler, Tamara VanDyken, Stacy Wade

▪Voting members absent: Fred Carter, Miwon Choe, Cindy Houston, Lauren Martin, Carl Myers, Tony Norman, Alex Poole

▪Advisory Members (non-voting) present: Janet Applin, Ellen Gott, Jacquelyn Pope-Tarrence

▪Guests: Scott Bonham, Colette Chelf, Martha Day, Danita Kelly, Andrew McMichael, Heather Payne-Emerson, Karen Mason, Les Pesterfield, Jack Rudolph, Rui Zhang

There was a Spinks/Swanson motion to approve the minutes from the December 12, 2012, meeting. The minutes were approved as they appear on the web.

Old Business

Ogden College of Science and Engineering -- Department of Mathematics

•Proposal to Revise a Program – 049, Master of Arts in Mathematics

There was a McDaniel/Tyler motion to approve/second. Vivian Mood presented. One change of the admission requirements for the program is needed because of the new GRE scoring system and the new system adopted for the GAP score by WKU. In addition, changes were made to the mathematics admission requirements so that the secondary teaching admission requirements could be deleted. This was done to make the process more understandable for applicants. The last proposed change is aligning the core mathematics courses with the content secondary teachers are most likely to teach so that they can gain the depth of knowledge that they need to be effective at preparing high school students for college. This had already been approved at the Graduate Council but the motion to approve was for the current proposal presented at this meeting. The motion passed.

New Business

Office of Teacher Services - CEBS

• Candidates Completing Requirements for Admission to the Professional Education Unit December 13, 2012 to February 13, 2012

Ellen Gott presented. There were three names removed from the distributed list due to the fact that they had not met testing requirements. There was a Spinks/Croxall motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

• Student Teacher Candidates List for Spring 2013

Ellen Gott presented. There was a Tyler/Love motion to approve. The motion passed.

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Dean's Office – CEBS

•Proposal to Revise a Certification Policy (Policy on Expiration of Courses and Programs Leading to Professional Education Certification)

There was a Love/Spinks motion to approve/second. Retta Poe presented. She mentioned that in the proposal under current policy, 3rd section needs some edits because wrong wording was used. Correct wording is found in the 2012/13 Graduate Catalog on pages 44 and 45. This change will be made. The current policy is ambiguous with respect to the appropriate unit head responsible for approving inclusion of older pedagogy courses when the student is pursuing a major outside of the STE, so the proposed revision is an effort to provide clarify on that point. After discussion it was agreed to make the following change in the second paragraph of #3. Proposed policy: (revision in bold) “For students

in programs leading to secondary certification (Grades P-12, 5-12, and 8-12), decisions about whether older pedagogy courses may be used will be made by the Director of the School of Teacher Education, **in consultation with content faculty when appropriate.**” The motion passed with the change being noted.

School of Teacher Education

It was agreed to address the following two proposals together:

- Revise Course Prerequisites – SEC 351, Teaching Strategies for Secondary Schools
- Revise Course Prerequisites – SEC 352, Planning for Student Diversity

There was a Croxall/Tyler motion to approve/second. Sylvia Dietrich presented. The change is being made to allow students in programs leading to certification for Grades 5-12 to use either EDU 250 or MGE 275 as their introductory course in the Teacher Education program, depending on the focus of their intended final program and certification. The motion passed.

- Revise a Program – 044, MAE Literacy Education

There was Tyler/Spinks motion to approve/second. Sylvia Dietrich presented. The catalog description changes proposed are for the purpose of clarification. Admission policy revisions regarding the GRE and GAP scores are being proposed to align with the Graduate Studies admissions policy. The motion passed.

College of Health and Human Services - Department of Family and Consumer Sciences

- Revise Course Number – HMD 111, Human Nutrition

There was a Croxall/Houchens motion to approve/second. Heather Payne-Emerson presented. Changing the course number from 111 to 211 will better align the course with those taught at benchmark institutions and other Kentucky universities. Revising the course number to a 200 level will better reflect the difficulty of the course and thus more appropriately set student expectations. The motion passed.

Other Business

- Recommendation for dismissal of a teacher candidate from Professional Education

In closed session, Dr. Evans explained the dismissal process. After much discussion regarding this particular teacher candidate, there was a Croxall/Bland motion/second to support the faculty’s decision to dismiss this teacher candidate from Elementary Education and Professional Education. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35.

Susan Krisher
Council Secretary