

Minutes
Administrative Council - College of Education and Behavioral Sciences
Thursday, March 21, 2002 – 8:00 a.m.
Dean's Conference Room, Tate Page Hall

Members present: Adams, Cooke, Crews, Filip, Fong, Metze, Nims.

Dr. Adams reported on the graduation of the first full cohort of students in Mexico City. Individuals from Western also met with the next group and submitted a USAID joint proposal between WKU and Monterrey Tec at Queretaro in the area of literacy and entrepreneurship.

A proposal is currently being developed to submit to the Jessie Ball duPont Foundation which would focus on working with non-English speaking individuals in Bowling Green/Warren County.

Dr. Adams discussed the hiring process, particularly with regard to the use of blue slips. She stressed that hotel reservations for prospective faculty need to be made by the Dean's Office.

Dr. Adams commended department heads on their promptness with advertising for vacancies.

The issue of early tenure for faculty was discussed. Dr. Adams pointed out that this would be a significant point when advertising for advanced positions. She will discuss it with Dr. Burch.

Salary recommendations were submitted last Monday. Additional funds are expected for professional staff increases.

Discussion was held on parking. Comments should be directed to Randy Deere.

Information was distributed on student opportunities for study abroad, HVAC work being done on Page Hall, and the State Street Inn and Furnishings.

Dr. Cooke reported that Western was selected by the United Federated Teachers Union in New York City to provide a web-based Masters degree in speech pathology. A contract is currently being negotiated. Also, the Virtual University at Monterrey is interested in some of our content areas as a part of their Masters program.

Dr. Crews discussed a possible sports management/administration interdisciplinary program.

Dr. Adams reported that the first meeting of the College Board of Advisors was very successful. The members were impressed with what is going on in the College, and the suggestion was made that the group would be interested in interacting with students. Dr. Adams will be attending a meeting in May regarding development issues for deans, which she hopes will help in this area.

Dr. Metze indicated that E-train will be selecting a new cadre of technology advocates. Department heads were encouraged to let Dr. Metze know of interested or qualified faculty. He reported that the E-train conference held on March 8 was very successful, and he has been asked to develop a program for the University at large.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Cathie Bryant, Secretary