

**MINUTES**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL – COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES**  
**Thursday, April 6, 2000 – 9:30 AM**  
**Dean's Conference Room, Tate Page Hall**

Members Present: Adams, T. Daniel (for Stayton), Filip, Fong, Metze, Mikovch, O'Connor, Oglesby, Schnacke.

Guests: Dr. Barbara Burch and Beth Laves

Dr. Burch spoke on several issues relating to web-based courses and programs. She mentioned that Kentucky state supported institutions have the first right of refusal. Web-based education is an open market, media market driven, and very competitive. She mentioned there will be monitoring procedures put in place, but we can put up programs or courses anytime and KCVU will review. There is a lot of freedom to offer courses for which there is a market. KCVU will be responsive to accepting programs of a blend such as web, ITV, on-campus blends. KCVU requires web-based courses to be at least 75% web. There is talk of looking at an additional electronic course tuition fee – may have to try an interim with some kind of fee by fall to students not enrolled at Western. There are many policy issues, faculty driven and administrator driven, and some issues never addressed before.

It was reported that Psychology's baccalaureate web-based program will be up by January, 2002. The IECE associate program is up and could be completed by students in Spring, 2001, and the IECE baccalaureate program could begin Spring 2001. The Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Management program is ready now. Dr. Burch stated that we are not obligated to provide experiences to support someone else's course, but we are obligated to provide support such as labs and other services for our students.

Beth Laves then spoke on her role with the KCVU. She reported that there are 34 web-based courses this semester, will be 8 in the summer, and 30 more for fall. She encouraged the group that this is the time to begin working on web-based programs. Registration and admission problems are being worked out by the Reach You Council of which she is a member. On this Council are various representatives from campus, and faculty representatives will be added soon. The Council wants to know what kinds of faculty development activities we are interested in to help faculty develop programs. They need to know the needs of our departments. Bringing new students to campus is one of the most important issues. Beth spoke about the different courseware packages. Concerning blended courses, we want to stay away from on-campus meetings of classes. Creative ways of blending courses are encouraged.

Dr. Burch talked about two concerns of faculty concerning ITV and web-based courses as being the feeling they don't understand the work load credit assigned and that the current evaluation system of student evaluations does not fit the medium being used. She stated that we need to look at ways to involve international students more with web-based courses.

It was reported by Dean Adams that the exit meeting for Recreation last week was very successful. The collaboration with Recreation and Hospitality in CFS was cited as a strength during this visit.

Dr. Burch reported about changes in dorm ownership and how they may impact housing scholarships.

After a question was raised about instructional budgets, Dr. Burch spoke on various budget concerns and issues in the University and how academics so often struggle with low financial support.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:55.

Susan Krisher, Secretary