

MINUTES
PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL
Wednesday, February 9, 2005 – 3:30 pm
Academic Complex 118

Members present: Sam Evans, presiding. Retta Poe, Alice Mikovch, Emmanuel May (for Matt Buckman), Tom Richmond, Heather DeHart, Janice Ferguson, Alex Poole, Doris Sikora, Cynthia Mason, Carl Myers, Thad Crews, Nathan Love, Jipaum Askew-Gibson, Rico Tyler, Jane Brantley, Jeanne Fiene (for Chris Wagner), Miwon Choe, Heather Pulliam, Tony Harkins (for Kathryn Abbott), Kaye Gordon
Guests: Sylvia Gaiko, Toby Daniel

Dr. Evans called the meeting to order. The minutes from the December 8, 2004 meeting were approved as they appeared on the web. Dr. Evans mentioned there was an error in the wording of the proposal under old business. The correction should be: Methods III instead of Methods II. This correction was noted and the motion to approve the agenda was made by Nathan Love, seconded by Toby Daniel.

Old Business

From Potter College--Proposal to Create a New Course-Art 413, Foundations of Art Education and Methods III-Secondary was presented. Nathan Love moved approval, seconded by Alice Mikovch. Miwon Choe explained the rationale of this proposal and answered questions. The motion passed.

New Business

A list of candidates completing requirements for admission to teacher education from December 8, 2004 to February 9, 2005 was handed out. Toby Daniel moved approval of this list of candidates, seconded by Jane Brantley. The motion passed.

Next was a Proposal to Revise a Program—BA in Art Education (516) from Potter College. Nathan Love moved approval, seconded by Carl Myers. Miwon Choe spoke about this program and the changes that were being proposed. After lengthy discussion regarding the wisdom of deleting the requirement of SEC 453, Management of Instruction, voting via paper ballots was conducted. The motion to approve the proposal was approved, with 11 votes in favor and 8 opposed.

Next from Potter College was a Proposal to Cross-list a Course—SEC 474, Teaching Foreign Language. Alice Mikovch moved approval, seconded by Alex Poole. This motion passed.

The next agenda item was from the CEBS—Proposal to Create a New Course – ENVE 580, Instructional Strategies. Jeanne Fiene moved approval, seconded by Carl Myers. Terry Wilson was present to explain this proposal and the motion to approve passed.

Other Business

Copies of a memo regarding The Driver's Education Endorsement was passed out. The memo explained the decision by faculty in the Department of Public Health, with concurrence of the CHHS Dean's Office, to move the Driver's Education Endorsement from the Department of Public Health into the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

Dr. Evans explained the next handout on EPSB proposed changes to cut scores for the PRAXIS II Test. A recommendation has been made to make the changes indicated, effective Sept. 1, 2005.

Dr. Evans also provided copies of the Title II 2003-2004 Academic Year report of the institutional pass rate on PRAXIS II. WKU's overall pass rate was 95%.

Heather DeHart, Biology Department, announced that flyers were available regarding a membership drive for the Student Chapter of the National Science Teachers Association.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45.

Susan Krisher, Secretary