

MINUTES
PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL
Wednesday, February 16, 2011 – 3:30 pm
GRH 3073

(This meeting was originally set for February 9th but was canceled due to inclement weather.)

Voting Members Present: Sam Evans, Chair, Marty Boman, Fred Carter, Brent Oglesbee (for Miwon Choe), Kathy Croxall, Alex Hall, Beth Pyle (for William Hey), Sharon Spall (for Rick Keaster), David Lenoir, Nathan Love, Hope Marchionda, Kerrie McDaniel, Lisa Murley, Carl Myers, Retta Poe, Vernon Sheeley, Sylvia Dietrich (for Vicki Stayton), Robyn Swanson

Guests: John Bonaguro, Martha Day, Mitzi Groom, Scott Grubbs, Sarah Kessler, Andrew McMichael, Sherry Powers

Advisory Members Present: Ellen Gott, Tony Norman

The minutes from the December 8, 2010, meeting were approved as they appear on the web.

New Business

The following business from the Office of Teacher Services was voted on electronically after the Feb. 9th meeting was canceled. Both candidates lists passed unanimously.

▪Presentation of Candidates Completing Requirements for Admission to the Professional Education Unit December 9, 2010 to February 9, 2011

▪Student Teacher Candidates List for Spring, 2011

Ellen Gott did have one addition to the admissions list. Sandra K. Crumbacker – Master of Arts Learning and Behavior Disorders. This student appeared to have been Committee Approved in 2005, but was held waiting on degree GPA (last 60 hours) since she was an Alternate Admission. Just received recent CBC, TB, physical.

Dr. Carter moved Ms. Crumbacker's approval and the motion passed..

Educational Leadership Doctoral Program

It was agreed to address the following two proposals together:

- Revise Course Prerequisites/Corequisites EDLD 720, IND/GRP Issues in Lead
- Revise Course Prerequisites/Corequisites EDLD 730, Leading the Organization

Tony Norman explained that the Educational Leadership doctoral program was designed as a cohort program with students working together in core leadership courses. "Cohort hopping" by some students interferes with this intended structure. The words "Permission of instructor" will allow for exceptions for students with extenuating circumstances. There was a Sheeley/McDaniel motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

School of Teacher Education

It was agreed to address the following three proposals together:

- Revise Program – 0433, MAE: Elementary Education for Teacher Leaders
- Revise Program – 0434, MAE: Middle Grades Education for Teacher Leaders
- Revise Program – 0435, MAE: Secondary Education for Teacher Leaders

Lisa Murley explained the change on 0433 was to make the admission policy for this program consistent with admission policies of the other Teacher Leader master's degree programs. In addition, the revised wording will permit the admission (without qualifying GRE/GAP scores) of WKU alumni who complete requirements for initial certification in Elementary Education through the post-baccalaureate certification-only program. Lisa stated there were wording errors on 0434 and 0435. When these two proposals went forward, incorrect language was inserted and it was not noticed until after all approvals were made. There was a Swanson/Croxall motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

Ogden College of Science and Engineering

Dept. of Mathematics and Computer Science

- Revise Course Number – CS 230, Introduction to Programming

Hope Marchionda stated that the revision of the course number provides consistency with the ongoing restructuring of the computer science undergraduate program. There was a McDaniel/Boman motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

Department of Biology

It was agreed to address the following two proposals together:

- Revise a Program – 525, Major in Biology (without a minor)
- Revise a Program – 617, Major in Biology (with a minor)

Scott Grubbs presented. Proposed program changes - addition of new supporting course options in agronomy and limiting the number of credits earned in BIOL 485 that can be counted towards these majors.

There was a McDaniel/Swanson motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

Potter College of Arts and Letters

Department of Music

It was agreed to address the following two proposals together:

- Revise Course Catalog Listing - MUS 500, Theory Seminar
- Revise Course Catalog Listing - MUS 511, Investigations of Music Education

Robyn Swanson presented these two proposals. On the MUS 511 proposal there was an editorial change made to correct a grammatical error.

There was a Croxall/Marchionda motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

It was agreed to take the proposals for MUS 519 and MUS 625 together. The proposal to create MUS 520 was withdrawn from the agenda as it did not need to come before the PEC.

- Create a New Course – MUS 519, Conducting Seminar
- Create a New Course – MUS 520, Advanced Pedagogy - WITHDRAWN
- Create a New Course – MUS 625, Graduate Capstone Project

Robyn Swanson presented. There was an addition of a prerequisite to MUS 519. It was also agreed to remove the all caps on “Capstone” in the course title for MUS 625 and put “or” in the prerequisites.

There was a Croxall/Myers motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

- Create a New Academic Degree Type – Master of Music

Robyn Swanson presented. The proposal included both the creation of the new degree type and the revision of the existing MAE in Music Education to become one of the concentrations within the Master of Music. In addition, the proposed MAE program will include a second concentration for teachers who focus on conducting. Dr. Swanson asked to make one change to the description of the admission requirements for students who seek rank change. The wording of the second requirement that refers to the GRE score criteria will be changed to match the wording of other MAE Teacher Leader programs, as follows: “Applicants who are alumni of WKU teacher preparation programs must submit a current, valid teaching certificate for P-12 Music: Vocal, Instrumental, or Integrated.” Also, the wording in section 2.6 will be corrected to read, “Music.”

There was a Croxall/Myers motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

III. Other Business

Information –

Tony Norman presented all of the following:

▪New Teacher Survey Results 2009-2010

The Council members had copies of the following in their agenda packets. Tony explained that all of these documents were also at the College website under Professional Education Unit along with all other documents pertaining to NCATE.

- Professional Education Unit Graphic
- WKU Professional Education Unit Assessment System-Logic Model
- Professional Education Unit – NCATE IR Addendum

Tony encouraged faculty to hand out the conceptual framework graphic to their students. He spoke about the upcoming NCATE visit on March 28 & 29 and said we had received very positive comments regarding our visit. There were no areas of concern mentioned. Tony said he should be getting the schedule of the visit from the NCATE folks next week and he would be contacting people.

Sam encouraged everyone to read the Institutional Report Addendum and familiarize themselves with all the information at the site.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30.

Susan Krisher, Committee Secretary