

**MINUTES**  
**PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL**  
**Wednesday, September 12, 2007 – 3:30 pm**  
**Tate Page Hall 238**

Present: Sam Evans, Chair. Lauren Bland, Jane Brantley, Larry Byrd (for Les Pesterfield), Thandi Buthelezi, Toby Daniel, Kaye Gordon, Janice Ferguson, Heather Johnson, Barb Kacer, Ric Keaster (for Chris Wagner), John Kessell, Alice Mikovch, Carl Myers, Chris Nagy (for Grace Lartey), Tony Norman, Retta Poe, Doris Sikora, Robyn Swanson Guest: Terry Wilson

The meeting was called to order by Sam Evans. The minutes from the meeting on May 9, 2007, were approved as they appear on the web.

**New Business**

Office of Teacher Services

Presentation of Candidates Completing Requirements for Admission to the Professional Education Unit – May 9, 2007, through September 12, 2007. Mikovch/Sikora motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

College of Science and Engineering-Department of Mathematics

Revise Course Prerequisites/Corequisites-MATH 498-Senior Seminar

Brantley/Nagy approval and second. Jane Brantley presented this proposal. Motion passed.

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences –Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Create a New Endorsement Program-Endorsement for Environmental Education (Grades P-12)

Ferguson/Swanson motion to approve/second. Terry Wilson presented. After some discussion, it was decided to add at the end of the catalog description of the selection of electives “or other courses chosen by the advisor and the environmental education endorsement coordinator.” The motion passed.

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

Create a Policy – Code of Conduct for Professional Education Candidates in the WKU Professional Education Unit  
Mikovch/Buthelezi motion to approve/second. Barb Kacer presented this proposal. After some grammatical changes were noted, the motion passed.

Ogden College of Science and Engineering-Department of Biology

It was agreed to address the following four proposals as a group.

Create a New Course – BIOL 500, Introduction to Graduate Studies and Research in Biology

Create a New Course – BIOL 506, Biology Environmental Seminar

Create a New Course – BIOL 543, Environmental Science Concepts

Create a New Course – BIOL 587, Environmental Law, Regulations, and Policy

Swanson/Myers motion to approve/second. Heather Johnson presented. After some questions and discussion, the motion passed.

**Other Business**

Tony Norman discussed the Assessment Report for Initial Preparation programs and the Program Assessment Plans for initial and advanced programs. He also reviewed proposed timelines for programs to complete various pieces of their assessment plans.

Sam Evans distributed two handouts related to draft changes for Teacher Leader Master’s Programs and Advanced Programs for Rank I and Rank II. He discussed these and their implications for our folios.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55.

Susan Krisher, Secretary