

**MINUTES**  
**PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL**  
**Wednesday, September 14, 2005 – 3:30 pm**  
**Academic Complex - 118**

Members present: Sam Evans, presiding. Retta Poe, Heather Johnson, Robyn Swanson, Janice Ferguson, Doris Sikora, Cynthia Mason, Carl Myers, Nathan Love, Jipaum Askew-Gibson, Jane Brantley, Chris Wagner, Les Pesterfield, Tony Harkins (for Kathryn Abbott), Mark Robinson, Jeanne Fiene, Kaye Gordon

Dr. Evans called the meeting to order. Everyone introduced themselves. Janice Ferguson moved approval of the agenda, seconded by Chris Wagner. The minutes from the June 8, 2005 meeting were then approved as they appeared on the web.

**New Business--**A list of candidates completing requirements for admission to teacher education from June 8, 2005 to September 14, 2005 was handed out. Doris Sikora moved approval of these candidates, seconded by Jane Brantley. This motion passed.

From Ogden College of Science and Engineering--Department of Mathematics was a Proposal to Revise a Program – Master of Science in Mathematics. Mark Robinson moved approval, seconded by Nathan Love. Mark Robinson spoke on the rationale for the proposed program revisions as being routine bookkeeping to have the program description match their current course inventory.

From the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences—First reading of the Conceptual Framework, Western Kentucky University’s Professional Education Unit. Council members were asked to review the document. The first reading was accepted and this will come back for a vote at the next meeting. Sam encouraged members to share with colleagues. An electronic copy will be sent to all Council members.

**Other Business**—Two one-time course offerings approved by the CEBS Dean’s Office were mentioned. One occurred Summer 2005 (Term C) was IECE 525 – Special Topics in Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education, 3 s.h. The other one was for Fall 2005 semester for IECE 523 – Advanced Curriculum and Methods in Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education, 3 s.h.

**Other business not on the agenda** -- Sam Evans announced we have new teacher survey data from the Standards Board. He will be working with the Standards Board staff to get the narrative and numerical data disaggregated by certification code.

Kaye Gordon announced that this year’s Praxis pass rate was not in yet but that it looks good. This information should be available in October. Sam would like to see students take the Praxis II in the fall of their last year if possible. He encouraged folks to work with students on this and to encourage them to use the “Test at a Glance” online.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00.

Susan Krisher, Secretary