

MINUTES
PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL
Wednesday October 13, 2004 – 3:30 pm
Academic Complex 118

Members present: Sam Evans, presiding. Retta Poe, Matt Buckman, Peggy Free, Tom Richmond, Heather DeHart, Robyn Swanson, Janice Ferguson, Alex Poole, Doris Sikora, Carl Myers, Nathan Love, Jipaum Askew-Gibson, Jane Brantley, Les Pesterfield, Miwon Choe, Fred Stickle (for Cynthia Mason), Tony Harkins (for Kathryn Abbott), Marleen Murphy (for Freida Eggleton), Kaye Gordon

Guests: Ken Kuehn, Sylvia Gaiko

Sam Evans called the meeting to order. The agenda was approved by Peggy Free and seconded. The minutes from the September 8, 2004 meeting were approved as they appeared on the web.

A list of candidates completing requirements for admission to teacher education from September 9, 2004 to October 13, 2004 was handed out. Tom Richmond moved approval of this list and it was seconded. This motion passed. The documents were then returned to Kaye Gordon as they contained confidential information.

The next items of business were from the Department of Geography and Geology. Dr. Ken Kuehn was present to explain the rationale for these proposals and answer questions. It was agreed to take the first four items as a group—proposals to make multiple revisions to a course for GEOL 111, 112, 113, 114. Janice Ferguson moved approval, and it was seconded. These proposals passed. The next two items were proposals to make multiple revisions to GEOL 380 and GEOL 460. Carl Myers moved approval and the motion were seconded. There was some discussion and minor edits mentioned. This motion passed for these two proposals. Next was a proposal to revise course number for GEOL 411. Nathan Love moved approval and it was seconded. This motion passed. There was a proposal to Create a New Course – GEOL 499 next. Les Pesterfield moved approval and it was seconded. Dr. Kuehn explained the rationale about this new course and this also passed.

The next item from the Department of Geography and Geology was a proposal to revise the Geology Major, Reference #677. Nathan Love moved approval, and the motion was seconded. Marlene Murphy raised a concern about the fact that the proposal included the plan to award two degrees (BA and BS) from the same program, which the Registrar has questioned. Retta Poe moved to amend the proposal by stipulating that the PEC's approval of the proposed revision would indicate only approval of the content of the proposed four tracks in the program, not necessarily approval of the plan to award two different degrees. She suggested that the question of what degrees would be awarded could be resolved later by appropriate administrators. The motion to amend was seconded, and since there were no objections to having this be the understanding of the members, the proposal was deemed by the chair to be amended. The motion to approve the proposal to revise the program then passed.

Next was a proposal to create a new academic policy from the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences. Retta Poe moved approval and it was seconded. There were some revisions and edits suggested and noted. The motion then passed with these changes.

Last on the agenda were Staff Notes from the Education Professional Standards Board. Dr. Evans discussed these with the Council members. The items were: (1) New Teacher Survey (2003-04 Kentucky Educator Preparation Program Report Card) including cumulative mean score comparisons, and (2) 2002-03 Title II Report and the Quality Performance Index Report, including several tables and charts.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Susan Krisher, Secretary