

MINUTES
PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL
Wednesday, November 14, 2007 – 3:30 pm
Tate Page Hall 238

Members present: Sam Evans, Chair. Jane Brantley, Miwon Choe, Janice Ferguson, Richard Gelderman, Kaye Gordon, Heather Johnson, Barb Kacer, Cynthia Mason, Chris Nagy (for Grace Lartey), Carl Myers, Tony Norman, Retta Poe, Alex Poole, Bud Schlinker (for Chris Wagner), Miriam Stroder, Luella Teuton, Sharon Whitlock,

The meeting was called to order by Sam Evans. The minutes from the meeting on October 10, 2007, were approved as they appear on the web. He introduced the new graduate student member-Miriam Stroder.

New Business

Office of Teacher Services

Presentation of Candidates Completing Requirements for Admission to the Professional Education Unit – October 10, 2007, through November 14, 2007. Myers/Johnson motion to approve/second. The motion passed.

Potter College of Arts and Letters – Department of English

Proposal to Revise Course Catalog Listing – ENG 401, Advanced Composition

Gelderman motion to approve/Poole second. Alex Poole presented. Motion passed.

Proposal to Revise a Program – TESL Endorsement

Gelderman motion to approve/Nagy second. Alex Poole presented. Motion passed.

Proposal to Create a New Certificate Program – Graduate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESL) -- This proposal was withdrawn from the agenda as it does not need to be approved by the Professional Education Council.

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences – Department of Special Instructional Programs

Proposal to Revise a Program – Master of Arts in Education, Exceptional Education, Moderate and Severe Disabilities

Ferguson motion to approve/Poole second. Janice Ferguson presented. Motion passed.

For Information - Relocation of the Director of Special Education (DOSE) Certification Programs

Sam Evans noted this information piece to the Council members.

Ogden College of Science and Engineering - Department of Physics and Astronomy

Proposal to Revise Course Prerequisites/Corequisites-PHYS 255, University Physics I

Proposal to Revise Course Prerequisites/Corequisites-PHYS 265, University Physics II

Johnson motion to approve/Schlinker second both proposals. Richard Gelderman presented. Motion passed.

Other Business

There were handouts and discussion about the Redesign for Teacher Leader.

Richard Gelderman discussed the upcoming SkyTeach grant, which will be a distinct, prestigious program within the University along the lines of the WKU Honors Program. The College of Education and Behavioral Sciences and Ogden College will share responsibility for math and science teacher preparation, collaborating with thirty-one local school districts throughout the region through the Green River Regional Educational Cooperative. This will officially be announced on 11-16-07 and should begin in the Fall of 2008.

Tony Norman informed the members that EPSB was not requiring that we modify the complete folios for minor program changes. We would submit the old and new curriculum contracts with a narrative describing the changes.

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

Susan Krisher, Secretary