

Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Faculty Meeting
Minutes
April 30, 2008

Mr. Willie Adams
Dr. Clarissa Booker
Dr. Douglas Butler
Dr. Irene Duke

Dr. Judith Hansen
Dr. Mary Hawkins
Dr. Edward Mason
Dr. Kaarin Perkins

1. Opening Remarks: Dr. Butler welcomed everyone to the meeting, and said that there was no agenda.

2. Minutes: Minutes from the last meeting will be available from Dr. Debra Johnson at a later date.

3. Faculty Accomplishments and Scholarly Activities: Dr. Butler reported that faculty members should send him a list of accomplishments for the last five years. He will compile a report from the Department.

Dr. Booker volunteered to create a short handout for graduate students so that their accomplishments and scholarly activities can be included.

4. Degree Plans: Dr. Perkins presented a draft of the new degree plan for EC-6 Generalist and asked for faculty input. She pointed out that in the new plan HUSC 3373 Child Development would be replaced with ECED 3523 The Young Child

Faculty collaborated on determining the correct total number of hours; this number was determined to be 120 SCH:

- 42 SCH Core hours
- 18 SCH Education
- 12 SCH Reading
- 6 SCH Math
- 6 SCH Science
- 15 SCH Interdisciplinary major with delivery system
- 18 SCH Specialization
- 3 SCH Miscellaneous

After discussion, it was decided that GEOG 373 World Regional Geography would be replaced with a 1000 or 2000 level geography course to accommodate transfer students who have taken a geography course at the community college level.

Dr. Perkins expressed her concern over the syllabus for MATH 3003 Math in Elementary School because it currently does not cover all the TExES competencies. Dr. Mason

suggested that we communicate this to the Math Department because they tailor the contents of that course to education students' needs.

Dr. Booker said that we need to add six additional hours to the Reading Specialist graduate program to be in compliance for this degree program. She also pointed out that school districts are increasingly interested in graduates with linguistics courses such as ENGL 5113 Linguistics and Grammar.

5. NCATE/SACs/TrueOutcomes: Dr. Butler and Dr. Mason reported on their meetings with the accreditation team. Faculty need to submit the following items:

- Learning outcomes – resubmit electronic copies
- Course syllabi – both hard copies and electronic copies
- Artifacts – 2 samples from each course, both hard copies and electronic copies
- Rubrics – hard copies and electronic copies.
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Dr. Barry Pelphey is the representative from TrueOutcomes for SACS.

Dr. Hansen reported that it will be difficult for her students to upload their websites into TrueOutcomes because the University rejected her software purchase request for Winzip software. She characterized this decision as short-sighted, bureaucratic meddling in instructional decisions.

Now that we need this software, and there was grant money to purchase it, the grant has expired and the money is no longer available.

Dr. Butler requested that faculty have students upload their artifacts into TrueOutcomes.

Dr. Booker stated, "If I am responsible for something such as submitting required reports, she needs something in writing to indicate to whom they should go."

She also said that whenever she needed help, there was not any available for students to upload to TrueOutcomes. As an example, she stated that the computer lab in 123 New Science Building was not available so that her students could upload their documents.

Dr. Booker suggested that students receive a hard copy of the dispositions. She also suggested that bookmarks be created to publicize this information.

Tom Joyner Grant/NEA: Dr. Butler asked that faculty to think of graduates who are not yet completely certified but are teaching so the Department can contact them.

Other Business: Mr. Adams reminded everyone that it is time for equipment inventory and that he will have access to the scanner on May 8, 2008. Please have all equipment available on that date.

Dr. Hansen suggested that Dr. Ndubuike's computer and LCD projector be turned in by then so that they can be included in this inventory.

Dr. Booker requested that we need graduate assistant assistance for the paperwork required.