

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY
October 16, 2013

The Academic Council met at 3:35pm on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 in the Deans' Conference Room of Derryberry Hall with Steve Isbell, Chairperson, presiding.

The following members of the Council were present:

Dr. Paul Semmes	Prof. Barbara Jared
Dr. Matt Smith	Dr. Janet Isbell
Dr. Melissa Geist	Dr. Corinne Darvennes
Dr. James Jordan-Wagner	Dr. Linda Null
Dr. Bruce Greene	Dr. Brian O'Connor
Dr. Lee Ann Shipley	Dr. Queen Ogbomo
Dr. Steve Isbell	Mr. Robbie Lindstrom
Dr. Michael Phillips	Ms. Emily McDonald
Dr. Tammy Boles	Ms. Sara Lockett

Others present were Dr. Curtis Armstrong, Dr. Barry Stein, Dr. Julie Baker, Ms. Beth Rogers, and Ms. Kae Carpenter. Ms. Jerri Winningham represented Dr. Bobby Hodum. The following members were absent:

Dr. Liz Self-Mullens	Dr. Charles Carnal
Dr. Doug Bates	Dr. Doug Talbert
Dr. Bobby Hodum	Prof. Sue Piras
Dr. Roy Loutzenheiser	Dr. Daniel Badoe
Dr. Susan Laningham	Dr. Wali Kharif
Dr. Jeff Roberts	Dr. Holly Anthony
Dr. Ismet Anitsal	Mr. Michael Wise
Dr. Martha Howard	

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

Approved the agenda

Approved the minutes of the April 10, 2013 meeting

Approved the dissolution of the ISEE Committee

Approved the request for a Nursing Clinical Track Faculty appointment

Received information on MSN RODP catalog changes

Approved new concentration in Business Management

Received information on the name change for MIS concentration

Approved termination of MA concentration in agency counseling

Approved new concentration in EdTech EdS in C&I

Approved minors on campus policy

PROCEEDINGS

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Darvennes MOVED approval of the agenda and Dr. Semmes SECONDED. The agenda was APPROVED unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes of the April 10, 2013 Meeting

Dr. Darvennes MOVED approval of the minutes and Dr. Smith SECONDED. The minutes were APPROVED unanimously.

Approval to Dissolve the Interdisciplinary Studies and Extended Education Committee

Dr. Geist explained that the ISEE Committee is no longer appropriate for the College of Interdisciplinary Studies due to recent reorganization and restructuring of the college and changes on the focus for Extended Programs, along with adding other departments within the college (see attached memo). The College of Interdisciplinary Studies will form a college curriculum committee. Dr. Semmes MOVED approval and Dr. Jordan-Wagner SECONDED. The request was APPROVED unanimously.

Approval of School of Nursing Clinical Track Faculty Appointment

Prof. Jared explained the reason for adding the clinical track faculty appointment to TTU's list of faculty appointments. The faculty appointment is already defined in TBR policy (see attached memo). Dr. Geist MOVED approval and Dr. Darvennes SECONDED. After some discussion and explanation on how this type appointment could benefit other departments on campus, the request was APPROVED unanimously.

Nursing MSN RODP Catalog Changes

Prof. Jared stated the change is for the Nursing MSN RODP program to follow the Graduate School grading system as published in the TTU Graduate School catalog (see attached memo). This will align with the other Universities' nursing programs.

Approval of New Concentration in Business Management

Dr. Armstrong stated that the new concentration in Business Intelligence and Analytics within the major of Business Management in the B.S.B.A. degree is to provide a quality education for students to excel in the rapidly growing field of Business Intelligence and Business Analytics (see attached proposal). Dr. Semmes MOVED approval and Dr. Jordan-Wagner SECONDED. After some discussion, the proposal was APPROVED unanimously.

Name Change for Management Information Systems Concentration

Dr. Armstrong stated that the name Management Information Systems is outdated and does not adequately reflect the purpose of the concentration. The new name Business and Information Technology more adequately reflects the concentration. (See attached memo.)

Approval of Proposal to Terminate Concentration in M.A. Agency Counseling

Dr. Stein stated the concentration is no longer needed due to changes in the licensure standards and the program no longer meets the goal and is not consistent with accreditation standards (see attached proposal). The M.A. concentration is the only one being terminated. The EdS concentration still remains in place. Dr. O'Connor MOVED approval and Dr. Smith SECONDED. The proposal was APPROVED unanimously.

Approval of New Concentration for EdTech EdS in Curriculum and Instruction

Dr. Baker explained that the Specialist in Education in Curriculum and Instruction with a concentration in Educational Technology will allow educators to develop highly sought after technology integration skills, strategies, and implications for classrooms now and in the future (see attached proposal). Dr. Smith MOVED approval and Dr. Janet Isbell SECONDED. The proposal was APPROVED unanimously.

Approval of Minors on Campus Policy

Ms. Carpenter explained that technically this policy only needed Administrative Council approval, but practically it affects the academic side and she is requesting Academic Council approval as well. (See attached policy.) The purpose of the policy is to provide appropriate supervision of minors involved in various programs on campus. Dr. Semmes MOVED approval and Mr. Lindstrom SECONDED. There was much discussion on who the policy applies to and the requirements of TTU employees to implement this policy. The policy is lengthy and detailed, however, circumstances will vary and individual issues will be addressed as needed. The policy was APPROVED unanimously.

There being no Such Other Matters, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm.

Carol Holley, Recorder

APPROVED NOVEMBER 13, 2013

Documents on file with the minutes:

- ISEE Committee memo
- Nursing clinical track faculty appointment memo and policy
- Nursing MSN RODP catalog changes memo
- BIA concentration proposal
- MIS to BIT name change form
- M.A. agency counseling concentration proposal
- EdTech EdS concentration proposal
- Minors on campus policy