

COPE
Tuesday, April 19, 2011
3:30 p.m.
Graduate School Conference Room

Present: Gwen Neal, Steve Bounds, Jim Jupp, Tillman Kennon, Nancy Bacot, Lance Bryant, Tom Fiala, Deb Owens, Andy Mooneyhan, Kyle Chandler, Irina Khramtsova, Tonja Fillippino

Absent: Ralph Ruby, Kevin Humphrey

Ex-officio: Greg Meeks, Mary Jane Bradley

Minutes approved – Jupp 1st, Lance Bryant 2nd – Motion Passed

Bulletin Changes

ELAD 7493 – Completion of all required program coursework and/or permission by the department chair - Holman Gwen Neal – Discussion: Occasionally, students need to be able to take a course concurrently with the internship while pursuing an Additional Licensure Plan, therefore there is a need for the department chair to make exceptions.

EdS Reading Program – Graduate Council wanted numbers changed to 7000 level. COPE has already approved.

Early Childhood with Special Education Emphasis – reworked courses in the rotation to assist students in the preparation of the Praxis II, Nancy Bacot presented the Bulletin Changes ECH 4002 (course no. was incorrect in 4-19 minutes stating 4012), emphasis in classroom management. Motion to approve Steve Bounds, 2nd Gwen Neal. Discussion – Dr. Owens commented positively on the alignment between Early Childhood and Special Education in ECH 4002. Motion carried – Minutes approved.

Changes to Teacher Ed Handbook

Teacher Education and Intern Handbook Changes presented – Dr. Bradley presented – changes – including how students make appeals, the category percentages to determine placement of interns in diverse settings, and changes in the Principles of Learning and Teaching – new nos. and cut scores. Motion to receive this as information. Tonya – motion to approve; 2nd Tillman – committee approval - unanimous.

Report on Unit Assessment

Unit Assessment – Philosophy Rubric presented by Dr. Meeks as Unit Assessment - motion to accept the changes. Tom Fiala 1st – Steve Bounds 2nd - motion to accept passed.

Research & Stat Project – case analysis of real data in a school setting, motion to approve Tom Fiala, 2nd Tillman – motion to accept – unanimous.

Standing Committee Reports – none

Area Groups Reports – Middle Level – working on getting master's degree offered at Beebe and Mountain Home campuses.

Announcements

Program chairs –decisions should be finalized; these members will represent COPE next academic year. Current Evaluation and Unit Assessment Committee members remain the same next year proposed by Dr. Meeks. Motion carried.

Next meeting: May 5 - 3:30

Meeting Adjourned 4:40 p.m.