PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

This meeting was held on September 24, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the Joseph H. Jackson School of Education Building Room 100.

Persons Attending:

Dr. Daniel Watkins  Dr. Ingrid Smith  Dr. Lennie Little  
Dr. Darcie Bishop  Dr. Gladys Johnson  Dr. Rodney Washington  
Dr. William Brown  Dr. Jean Farish  Dr. Donald Wheelock  
Dr. Tor Kwembe  Dr. Carrine Bishop  Dr. Jianjun Yin  
Dr. Jean Chamberlain  Dr. Tracy Harris  Dr. Nanolla Yazdani  
Dr. Vershun McClain  Mrs. Alice McGowan  Dr. Linda Channell  
Dr. Wanda Walker-Bowen  Dr. Rebecca Turner-Berry

Call to Order:

Dr. Daniel Watkins called the Professional Education Council Meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Agenda Approval:

The council was asked to review the agenda for approval. It was motioned for approval by Dr. Donald Wheelock and seconded by Dr. J. Yin. The council voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes:

The Council was asked to review the minutes from the May 12, 2009 meeting. Dr. Gladys Johnson motioned that the minutes be approved and seconded by Dr. Jean Chamberlain. The council unanimously voted to approve the minutes.

ACTION ITEMS:

Approval of Teacher Education Admits and Student Teachers-Fall 2009:

Dr. Watkins relayed the requirements for admittance to teacher education and student teaching. He asked the Dr. Lennie Little to verify that the students listed meet all requirements. Dr. Little verified that all students have met necessary requirements. The list of teacher education admits and student teachers for the Fall 2009 semester were review by the council. It was moved by Dr. Linda Channell and seconded by Dr. Carrine Bishop that the students listed be approved for
admittance to teacher education and student teaching. The council unanimously voted to approve the lists.

**Approval to Revive the Psychometry Program (ED.S):**

Drs. Jean Farish and Nanolla Yazdani presented a proposal to revive the Specialist in Psychometry Program. Many statistics and rationales were presented to the council. Currently there isn’t an AAA Class certification in Psychometry. Dr. Yazdani contacted MS Department of Education regarding the procedures for creating the certification. The counseling department must first create the curriculum for the endorsement, and then obtain the university’s approval. Once the university has approved of the curriculum, then it can be presented to MDE for approval. Dr. Watkins advises that this process could take 6 months to a year. Counseling Dept. should keep student apprised of the status of this approval process so that they will know when they may be able to apply for certification. Currently, student can only apply for the AA class license. Student should not be allowed to enroll into the program unless they already hold an AA class certification in an educational related area. Dr. Watkins asked that a meeting be held with all students currently enrolled in the program to discuss the certification issues. Department Chairs are advised to have students who are currently enrolled and future students who do not have a certification to sign waivers. This waiver will state that they have been advised regarding the certification requirements. Students may obtain their certifications retroactively.

Dr. Lennie Little suggested students be required to submit a copy their license when applying to the program.

Dr. Donald Wheelock indicated that if more than 50% of the program completers practice in school rather than hospitals, the program will become subjected to NCATE accreditation issue.

It was moved by Dr. Tracy Harris and seconded by Dr. Rebecca Turner-Berry that approval be granted for the revival of the Specialist in Psychometry Program. The council voted unanimously to revive the specialist program.

**Approval of Course Syllabi for Educational Leadership Courses: Current Issues in Higher Education, The American College Student, Historical and Social Foundations of Higher Education in America, and Student Personnel Service in Higher Education:**

Dr. Watkins state that the concentration was approved previously and the letter is in academic affairs.

Dr. Carrine Bishop indicated that the Education Leadership Department is proposing to offer the course online. We will begin with offering course and hopefully in the future JSU will be the first of offer the Higher Education Program Certificate online.

Dr. Gardner also expressed her support for the certificate.
Dr. Watkins asked if the courses were approved by the council. The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed to determine if the courses had been approved. It was determined that the courses had not been approved. The council was asked to critique the syllabi and send comments to Dr. Bishop. Dr. Watkins asked that the syllabi and curriculum be presented for approval at the next PEC meeting. The motion was tabled.

**Approval of Revised Curriculum for the Masters and Specialist Programs in Secondary Education:**

Dr. Lennie M. Little presented the curriculum changes for both the Masters and Specialist Programs in Secondary Education. Dr. Little indicated that there were many courses that were not being taught, therefore, there is a need to substitute those courses. The EDSE courses were eliminated by Drs. William Rush and Ivory Phillips. EDAD and EDFL courses are being used due to over-crowding in other courses. It was moved by Dr. Tor Kwembe and seconded by Dr. Burks-Berry that the curriculum changes be approved. The council unanimously voted to approve the changes.

**Approval of Revised Program Curriculum for the Master of Arts in Teaching Program:**

Dr. William Brown presented the revised curriculums for the Masters of Arts in Teaching Program. The MAT in Elementary Ed. curriculum is being revised to allow each completer to qualify for a reading endorsement. In 2007, MDE implemented a mandate that all undergraduate elementary education programs implement 15 hours of reading. The MAT in Elementary Education curriculum is being revised to reflect that mandate. The courses were selected from the catalog and there was dialogue with the reading faculty.

Dr. Washington indicated that two of the reading courses selected is going through an approval process. Dr. Brown will need to identify additional reading courses to meet the endorsement requirements.

It was motioned by Dr. Washington that the changes be approved and seconded by Dr. Yazdani. The council voted unanimously to approve of the changes.

**UPDATES:**

Updates will be sent electronically.

**Remarks:**

There were no remarks.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:30 p.m.
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Presiding:
Dr. Daniel Watkins
Dean, College of Education and Human Development

Dr. Lennie M. Little
Director, Professional and Field-Based Experiences

AGENDA

I. Call to Order
II. Agenda Approval
III. Approval of Minutes

ACTION ITEMS

IV. Approval of Student Teaching Candidates (Fall 2009)
V. Approval of Candidates Admitted to Teacher Education (Summer and Fall 2009)
VI. Approval of the Proposal to Revive the Psychometry Program (Ed.S)
VII. Approval of Course Syllabi for Educational Leadership Courses: Current Issues in Higher Education, The American College Student, Historical and Social Foundations of Higher Education in America, and Student Personnel Service in Higher Education
VIII. Approval of Revised Curriculums for the Masters and Specialist Programs in Secondary Education
IX. Approval of Revised Program Curriculums for the Master of Arts in Teaching Program

UPDATES:

X. Testing: SLLA and Praxis; Praxis Test Dates
XI. Licensure – Leadership and Early Childhood
XII. Blue Ribbon Update
XIII. 2 Plus 2
XIV. Remarks
XV. Adjournment