

CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
THE CENTER FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING
ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 3, 2006

ATTENDING: Marwin Britto, Bobby Cummings, Martha Kurtz, Connie Lambert, David Shorr, Shari Stoddard, Crystal Weddington, Don Woodcock

GUEST: Joyce Garrett

MEETING CONVENED: The meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM

CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes for the April 5, 2006 meeting were approved as amended.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS:

Assessment Committee: (Candidate Data Report) – No report.

Professional Education Advisory Boards: (Connie Lambert) – The next PEAB Teachers meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2006; 12:30 – 3:30 PM.

Candidate Scholarship Committee: (Barbara Sisko) – The applications have been received from the Scholarship Office and are being prepared for the committee members to review. The cumulative GPAs for all classes taken had not been calculated and the files had not been screened for qualifications.

Faculty Development and Scholarship Committee: (Phil Tolin) – No report

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Educational Technology Advisory Committee: (Marwin Britto) – The 1 On 1 Assistance Request website is now up. It can be accessed from ~etc. ITAM will be sponsoring the 2006 IT Management Professional Development Conference on May 17, 2006. David Kaufman has scheduled a demonstration and question and answer session May 10, 2006 for the “Clicker” in the classroom. Once the transition of materials to the CWU Admin LiveText account is complete, there will be a workshop on utilizing the Exhibit Room.

Candidate Admissions, Recruitment, and Retention Committee: (Chair, Connie Lambert) – The committee will be meeting May 6, 2006. There are eight students to be reviewed.

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee: (Co-Chair’s David Shorr and Shari Stoddard) – No report

Graduate Programs Committee: (Chair Robert Sorrells) – No report

P-12 School Based Services Committee: (Chair) – No report

Diversity and Equity Committee: (Don Woodcock) – No report

OLD BUSINESS:**WEST-E requirements prior to student teaching**

A handout (attached) was provided regarding current WEST-E requirements, the rationale for taking the exam prior to student teaching, and the ensuing implementation problems. There was discussion on the logistics of taking the exam. A candidate must apply 4 weeks prior to the exam and then it is 3 weeks afterwards before the results are received. In addition, the exam is offered only 6 times per year.

Martha Kurtz brought up the issue of how ETS calculates pass rates for the exam. The rates are based on what schools the applicant has listed to receive their scores rather than where the student does their teacher preparation. She would like to see scores for CWU prepared students only.

After further discussion, Martha Kurtz made a motion that students would be required to at least take the WEST-E prior to student teaching. The motion was passed by a vote of 7 to 1, with David Shorr voting no.

Proposed change in admission to the Teacher Preparation Program criteria by the Certification Office

Crystal Weddington presented a proposal to lower the GPA for the last 45 graded credits from 3.0 to 2.8 for full admission to the Teacher Preparation Program, student teaching, and certification. Justification for this change was provided (attached).

Each of the points in the justification was discussed as well as the ramifications of implementing a change. The question was raised regarding academic forgiveness and non-traditional students. After further discussion of the proposal, David Shorr made a motion that the GPA requirement for all be raised to 3.0 for admission to the Teacher Preparation Program, student teaching, and certification. The motion passed by a vote of 7 to 1 with Don Woodcock voting no.

Both motions will now go to the Executive Board.

NEW BUSINESS:**Q&A with Joyce Garrett re: NCATE Accreditation Visit preparation**

Joyce Garrett gave an update on the status of the preparations for the NCATE Accreditation Visit scheduled for May 5 – 9, 2007. Checklists will be made and distributed for tasks to be accomplished between now and September 30.

There was discussion of the remuneration for the Standards Teams Co-chairs for their work this summer and clerical help for these faculty members. One suggestion was to hire Graduate Assistants for the Colleges involved. The point was also made that the message will have to come from the Deans regarding cooperation from clerical staff already in place.

Connie Lambert asked that changes for the Program Reapproval forms be returned to her.

A copy of the Spring 2006 NCATE Newsletter was distributed. It is also available online at <http://www.ncate.org/public/newsletter.asp>.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 4:15 PM.

NEXT MEETING: May 31, 2006; 3:00 PM, Black Hall 228-19