

## MINUTES FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD

12 May 2003

Black Hall

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rebecca Bowers, Liahna Armstrong, Meghan Miller and Jim DePaepe and guest Richard Mack, Interim Associate Vice President Graduate Studies, Research and Faculty and Beverly Vifian, Director Gear Up Grant

1. **CONVENED MEETING:** 9:00
2. **CHANGES TO AGENDA:** None
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** 14 April, minutes were approved as written
4. **REPORTS:**
  - None
5. **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - Dr Mack discussed the Gear Up grant on issues of the Middle School curriculum. Dr Bowers stated that the state has sent out letters to every Middle School Teacher in the state informing them that they will no longer be able to teach with a K-8 endorsement after a certain date. (Dr Bowers will find out the date in which this will start from Lin Douglas at OSPI) The teachers will have to be blocked endorsed in areas that they teach. The blocked areas are: Math and Science, English or Language Arts and Social Science. Dr Bowers is pleased that CWU has been working for the last year on Middle School curriculum program in collaboration with the three colleges is right on target. The curriculum will be sent to the State Board of Education in August and after Board approval the CWU could start offering it in the Winter Quarter. Dr Bowers asked for a list of schools participating in the Gear Up Grant and from this will obtain the number of teachers that will need to get the block endorsement. From this list Gear Up could possibly help with financial needs of the teachers.
  - The C & S Department will be writing a position description and conduct a search next year for a Middle School Specialist for the Professional Education Core. Gear Up may also help with this position's salary.
  - The deans asked for it was possible for the Executive Council to receive a quarterly report from the Gear Up and Vifian agreed to provide the report either written or in attendance to this committee meeting, when appropriate.
  - The committee will meet 19 May to continue business not finished this meeting
6. **OLD BUSINESS:**
7. **ADJOURNMENT:** 10:00