INDIANA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
EDUCATION COUNCIL

Friday April 1, 2005
IU South Bend
Greenlawn Hall – Room 149
(Continental breakfast at 9:30, Call to order at 10:00 local time)

MINUTES

Attendance: Michael Tracy, Gerardo Gonzalez, Guy Wall, Laura Stachowski, Terri Swim, Betsy Kirk, Kenneth Schoon, Sara Sage, Karen Clark, Michael Tulley, Loren Henry, Shirley Aamidor, David Martin, Linda Houser, Dave Kinman

1. Approval of minutes from the meeting of October 8, 2004 - Minutes were approved as corrected. It was noted that Terri Swim, David Lindquist, and Michael Tulley were present at the meeting. Minutes were corrected to reflect a position opening in Secondary Education at IUK and the NCATE visit at IUSB is scheduled for December of 2005.

2. Announcements – A new interim Dean of Education at IUSB has been appointed. Dr. Miriam Schillingsburg was the former Dean of Liberal Arts on that campus.

3. Update on the Ratification of the By-Laws of the Education Council Constitution – The by-laws have been ratified by all campuses within the Indiana University system.

4. Early Childhood Concentration for MS in Elementary Education – Indiana/Purdue at Fort Wayne – The Early Childhood Concentration for the MS in Elementary Education was approved by the Education Council. This will add a core area to the existing major in Elementary Education. The motion to approve was unanimous.

5. B. S. in Early Childhood Education – IU Kokomo – The proposal from IUK to add a BS Degree in Early Childhood Education was reviewed and approved by the Council. The approval was contingent upon using 300 level courses for upper division courses such as EDUC Q200, K205, and P250. The Council emphasized the need to keep courses in the major at the upper division level. Further, the Council encouraged caution regarding articulating 100-200 level courses at community colleges for upper division 300 level courses in the IU system. The motion to approve was made by M. Tulley and L. Houser.
6. General Education and Course Transferability across IU — G. Gonzalez —
Considerable discussion ensued regarding general education courses and
course transferability throughout the IU system. President Herbert has
noted that regardless of the campus where an individual completed a
degree, it says Indiana University. The question arose, “Should there be a
core set of experiences and curriculum framework across all campuses?”
The assignment to discuss this topic was given to the University Faculty
Council (UFC). It was noted that there is a discussion document on the
UFC website.

Council members then discussed related activities on the various
campuses.

IUSB: Presently implementing a new core curriculum which becomes
effective for new students Fall of 2005. The School of Education has
requested an exemption for exception from initiating the new curriculum
until their Fall 2005 accreditation visit is completed.

IUK: The series of Fundamental Skills Courses is being revised. Arts and
Sciences faculty are reviewing all general education requirements.

IPFW: Forming study groups to review the general education sequence.

IUN: Faculty have agreed on a set of general education principles or areas
that programs must cover.

IUB: Faculty committees have developed a series of position papers on
topics related to the general education curriculum.

IUPUI: Adopted a set of principles for undergraduate learning. The
principles have been adopted and are included as a relevant part of the
general education curriculum.

IUS: Adopted a common core of general education courses.

Discussion followed the campus reports. It was noted that if we had a
core curriculum, then transferability between campuses would be
substantially easier for students. A second observation noted that if
collectively we do not solve this issue, it is likely the legislature will
become involved. The UFC discussion includes new admission
requirements including completion of the high school Core 40 curriculum
at a minimum. One member noted that the key for successful core
curriculum is flexibility in identifying applicable courses within the core
areas.
7. Issues regarding the IPSB and the IDOE – There was general discussion regarding possible changes in the operation of the IPSB when it becomes a unit within the Department of Education. At this point, little change is expected in operating procedures.

8. Use of Praxis I – Remediation Opportunities on the Campuses – Each campus reported on remediation opportunities for Praxis I. Highlights of the report included IUSB has added a PPST preparation course in their Math M108 course, IUN is encouraging the use of the computer based PLATO system early in the program to prepare for admissions testing, IUPUC has a math professor working with individual students who have concerns about the math portion of the exam, and IUS is providing test anxiety awareness and content preparation prior to students taking the first exam.

9. IUSB Program Changes and Updates of various Programs (no major changes) –

   Licensure changes:
   IUSB Undergraduate Reading Certification – motion to approve by Sara Sage and Terri Swim to approve.
   IUSB Graduate Reading Certification – motion to approve by Sara Sage and Terri Swim to approve.
   IUSB Undergraduate ENL Certification – motion to approve by Sara Sage and Michael Tulley to approve.
   IUSB Graduate ENL Certification – motion to approve by Sara Sage and Michael Tulley to approve.
   IUSB Educational Leadership Certification – replacing A502 with A630 – motion to approve by Sara Sage and Ken Schoon to approve.

   Degree changes: Minor changes in degrees were approved by motion of Sara Sage and Linda Houser.
   MS in Elementary Ed with Literacy Focus
   MS in Secondary with Reading Certification
   MS in Elementary Ed with ENL Certification
   MS in Secondary Ed with ENL Certification
   MS in Secondary Education
   MS in Secondary with Certification
   MS in Elementary Ed. with Ed. Leadership Certification
   MS in Secondary Ed. with Ed. Leadership Certification
   MS in Elementary Education with Concentration in Early Childhood
   MS in Elementary Education with Generalist in Curriculum & Instruction
Program Modification:
Secondary Transition to Teaching – motion to approve by Sara Sage and Terri Swim to approve.

10. Meetings for 2005 – 2006 – The Education Council will meet at IUUK for its fall meeting on October 14, 2005. It will meet in the spring at IUS on April 7, 2006.

Adjournment

Submitted by:
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Secretary