

MINUTES

Policy Council
School of Education
November 14, 2001
IUB – Room 2140
IUPUI – 3138G

The following are summaries of speaker contributions

Members Present: Barman, Bichelmeyer, Brantlinger, Buzzelli, Hossler, Levinson, Odom, Silk, Williamson. **Alternates Present:** Chafel, Walton. **Dean's Staff Present:** Brown, Cummings, Gonzalez, Murtadha. **Student Representatives Present:** Hanks, Singh.

I. Approval of the minutes for October 24, 2001 [\(02.9\)](#)

A motion was made, and seconded, to approve the minutes.

Minutes for October 24, 2001, were unanimously approved.

II. Announcements and Discussions

A. Dean's Report

Item 1: Long Range Planning Committee

The Long Range Planning Committee is in the process of integrating the information from the retreat and developing a mission statement for the School of Education that will synthesize a context for the goals. Information from the retreat will be used to think strategically about what the investment priorities for the School of Education will be.

The committee is also reviewing the constitution of the School of Education. The committee will identify areas of inconsistency between the constitution and the current state of practice. For example, the constitution calls for 8 standing committees and there are currently more than that number. It will be important to consider the committee structure in the constitution revision.

Item 2: CIC Deans of Education and Arts and Sciences Meeting

In a recent meeting of the CIC Deans of Education and Arts and Sciences it was apparent that there is a wide range of relations between the areas across the group. The most inclusive was an actual unit that included faculty from both areas who were jointly appointed and involved in various types of teaching and research projects—this was at Michigan State University. Deans Gonzalez and Subbaswamy presented to this group on the joint venture at Indiana University of the School of Education and the College of Arts and Sciences with the 21st Century Teachers Project.

One issue that was noted is that in traditional arts and sciences, teacher education has not previously been seen as central to their mission. Creating a context for greater collaboration and understanding of how everyone connects to the mission of teacher education is an important priority.

An outcome of the conference was the recommendation for a one-day workshop to bring the faculty and deans together to share ideas. A committee was appointed to plan for this event. The desired outcome is to enhance the perception of teacher education as a university responsibility.

Item 3: Standards for Success Project

The AAU has been sponsoring the Standards for Success Project. This project is an effort assisted by a large grant to the AAU to link up the subject area standards in K-12 to admissions practices of selected universities. There has been no comparability of standards from state to state. This effort will attempt to articulate the knowledge, skills and abilities needed in K-12. In addition the project will consider how these might be compared across states and what levels might be seen as necessary for success in college. Faculty from education, arts and sciences and K-12 will be brought together for a series of "national conversations" about these issues.

Dean Gonzalez has been asked to serve as the representative from Indiana University to the coordinating group. Indiana University will be hosting one of the national conversations, possibly this spring.

Item 4: Fall Retreat 2002

The Abe Martin Lodge at Brown County State Park has been reserved September 26-27 for an overnight retreat next fall. The reservation is tentative and will be modified based on the input of the retreat planning committee.

Item 5: Fall Faculty Meeting

The Fall Faculty Meeting is to be held at 10:30 am on November 16, 2001 in the auditorium. At this time there will be reports from the Long Range Planning Committee, Teacher Education Council and graduate admissions and enrollments.

B. Agenda Committee

1. Function

The purpose of the Agenda Committee is to set the agenda for Policy Council meetings. The other primary responsibility of the committee is to nominate and approve nominations for Policy Council Committees.

2. Issues Being Considered

a. Quality of food available in the School of Education.

The Dean's Office is researching current policies. Levinson reported that Marriott has a contract that allows them to remain in the atrium, but does not provide for a monopoly.

b. Use of space/space issues

The Agenda Committee has been considering the issue of space primarily in regards to conversational space for faculty. Classroom space was studied several years ago, but there has been a need identified for informal space. The Dean's Office will provide a small amount of funding to hire an outside firm to look at current space and space use within the School of Education. Curriculum and Instruction is in the process of developing faculty conversational space in their area at this time.

c. Non-tenure line ranks at the university level

Levinson reports that we have been asked to redefine our non-tenure faculty positions due to inconsistency across units of campus. Cummings stated that request is to define senior lecturer, lecturer, clinical assistant, clinical associate, clinical professor and academic specialist.

3. Fall Faculty Meeting

The Fall Faculty Meeting is scheduled for this Friday, 11/16/01 at 10:30 am. The meeting is in the auditorium. Pete Kloosterman will update the faculty on procedures used in admissions and appeals for TEC. There will be an update on the unit assessment system. Luise McCarty will present information of graduate enrollments and the Transition to Teaching program.

4. Policy Council Committee Appointments

Committee on Teaching	Mary McMullen Valerie Akerson
Lectures and Seminars	Karen Gavin
Education Council	Beth Berghof
Long Range Planning	Ron Britton (IUPUI) Joshua Garrison (Graduate Student Representative)

III. New Business

A. Policy Council Initiatives Requiring Action

1. Fall 2002 Retreat Planning Committee

Bichelmeyer asked for suggestions for committee members. There was a discussion regarding the different format for this retreat and the retreat as a way for faculty to share research interests. Other issues included involving all three campuses and alternate committee members.

Barman made a motion to involve alternate Policy Council Committee members in an ad hoc committee for planning the retreat.

The motion was seconded by Silk and passed unanimously.

2. Explore and Understand Relations Between Campuses

A motion was made by Buzzelli to create a task force for core campus issues. The motion was seconded by Levinson and passed unanimously.

3. Relations Between Teacher Education and Graduate Education

The discussion centered on the stance of the School of Education on educational research and the role of faculty as educational researchers. Bichelmeyer made a motion that the Policy Council and the Teacher Education Council jointly sponsor an open forum series with several other constituencies. The motion was seconded by Barman.

After further discussion, Barman moved to table the vote on the original motion. This was seconded by Williamson. The motion to table was passed by a majority vote with 2 members abstaining. The motion that the Policy Council and the Teacher Education Council jointly sponsor an open forum series was tabled.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.