

Council for Teacher Education

The Council for Teacher Education met on Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 2020 of the Cate Teacher Education Center. The following members were present: Rhett Allain, Diane Allen, Ruth Caillouet, Rebecca Day, Sonya Carr, Kay Daigle, Fred Dembowski, Rebecca Kruse, Gail McMillon, Terri Miller-Drufner, Christine Mitchell, Bill Neal, Katherine Pedersen, Susan Sawyer, Richard Schwartz, Cathy Tijerino, Mary Beth Crovetto, Casey Gleason, Faith Sawyer.

1. Dr. Day called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes:**
Minutes of the meeting on November 15, 2006 were approved as submitted.
3. **Approval of Portfolio Handbook for 2007-2008**
Flo Winstead presented final changes to the requirements for the Competency Level Portfolio for the academic year. Motion was made in favor of the changes, seconded and passed.
4. **Proposed Changes to the Bylaws for the Council for Teacher Education**
Dr. Day presented proposed changes to the Bylaws. The reasons for change were 1) Changes in titles and representatives from two Colleges 2) Dean as Chair of the Council and return to the previous procedure of electing a Chair each semester and 3) Change the number required for a quorum to comply with Roberts' Rules of Order. A quorum for a meeting is one half of the committee plus one. It was suggested that the Council follow this rule.
5. **Graduate Student Representative**
Dr. Day asked the Council if anyone planned to bring curriculum changes to the April meeting and if not, the meeting would be canceled. No one indicated plans to present curriculum changes. Therefore, it was suggested that there was no need to elect a graduate student representative. The motion was made not to elect a representative for the remainder of the academic year, seconded and passed.

The two school representatives and the undergraduate representative indicated they would serve in 2007-2008.
6. **Other Business**
Dr. Neal updated the Council on reading requirements for the Alternative Certification program. The State Department wants a reading course added retroactively to undergraduate and graduate student programs if it wasn't originally a part of their program. When a student applies for Alt/Cert and it is not in their program, it is placed on their worksheet and recommended to be taken. Dr. Allen stated that students will receive a reading waiver from the

State until there is a State reading test available. If the student does not pass the test, the State will provide professional development help.

7. **Next Meeting**

April 18th, 3:00 p.m. If no proposals are received, the meeting will be cancelled and the Council notified.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.