# CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES AUGUST 25, 2015 2:00 - 3:00 WATER'S HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

Present: Debbie Ferguson, Jill Cook, Adam Lewis, Tedi Gordon, Janet Dorning, Chris Otto, Wayne McCain, Tom Pieplow, Mike Haghighi, Kim Roberts, Joel Goodin

Quorum Present

Not present: Mary Harris, Sara Cline (COAS proxy)

Guests: Debbie Wilson (COE), Patricia Sims (Dean-COE), Bridgette Chandler

#### COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Nomination for Officers

- John McCain made the motion to nominate Chris Otto. Adam Lewis seconded the motion. All approved the nomination.
- Nomination for Secretary:
- Chris Otto made the motion to nominate Tedi Gordon. Debbie Ferguson seconded the motion. All approved the nomination.
- 2. Add the curriculum review request procedures to the existing Curriculum Committee responsibilities in the policy library. It was agreed that no major revisions need to occur and only adding the procedures was necessary.
- 3. Next meeting is September 1st, Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in Water's Hall Conference Room.

## PROPOSAL #1

Presenter: Bridgette Chandler

## Master's Program - M.Ed. in Career Technical Education

Rationale – provides options for a targeted audience

- 1. Curriculum and development focus is on teaching not a class A certification but a master's only. This option will be useful for the community college teachers.
- 2. Leadership for those that work in community colleges and want to move into business and industry.
- 3. Instructional technology community college as well as business and industry professionals.

## Discussion & Recommendations

- The need is present as evidenced by the 450 responses to survey. Although there is no licensure with this degree, it does address the "work force development" emphasis by the ALSDE.
- Existing programs such as this: A&M closed their program; Auburn State University has it listed but is not active. Athens State will be the only university with a viable program, thus approval by ACHE is anticipated.

Motion made by Tedi Gordon to accept. Tom Pieplow seconded the motion. All approved.

#### PROPOSAL #2

Presenter: Patricia Sims **B.S. in Educational Studies** 

Rationale: provides foundational skills of fundamental pedagogical practices in a variety of settings for education-related jobs that do not require a traditional teacher certification.

## Discussion & Recommendations

In order to position the COE to stay relevant in today's job market (i.e. charter schools; increasing demands of requirements for supportive educational non-certified staffing needs in public schools) a degree such as this needed.

The motion was made by John McCain to accept the program. The motion was seconded by Jill Cook.

- Approved 7
- Not approved 2
- Abstained- 2

The motion carried with a majority of the vote.

## PROPOSAL #3

Presenter: Jill Cook

# Prerequisite statement added to catalog for each internship course

Rationale: "Clearance by the Internship Office" is a prerequisite for student teaching. This prerequisite has been in place for years and needs to be made official so that Degree Works can block students from registering for Internship without the clearance of all TEP requirements.

## Discussion & Recommendations

Adam Lewis made the motion to approve. Debbie Ferguson seconded the motion. All approved.