

Date: April 16, 1998.
To: Academic Programs Division Committee Members.
University Deans.
From: Craig S. Campbell, Chair, Academic Programs.
Re: Academic Programs Committee meeting minutes for April
16, 1998, 3:00 p.m., Cushwa Hall 2031 - Geography
Conference.

Present: Craig Campbell, Lou Harris, Jim Kohut, Robert Pernesky, Patricia Sarro,
Sharon Shipton, Dan Suchora.

A quorum was recognized.

EDUCATION PROPOSALS.

The "List of Majors" in Teacher Education was considered a useful overview of the newly organized education programs, but no action was necessary on the document.

Early Childhood Education Proposal. The committee was gratified that the Teacher Education department and the Human Ecology department have worked so hard to establish a program of joint administration for the proposed program. However, the program is being returned to the Department of Teacher Education for the clarification of two separate, but significant, issues:

1. On page 3 of the proposal, it is stated that total program hours are 186. We count 190 (67 GER hours + 50 PROFED hours + 17 READ hours + 56 CURRICULUM CONTENT hours = 190). Please clarify the discrepancy.

2. What is the course Math XXX Thinking Mathematically? We cannot approve the program without a course number, and the fact that there is no number implies that the course is not before the curriculum committee, so neither can we approve the program "pending approval of the course".

Special Education Proposal. This proposal is being returned to the Department of Teacher Education because of two significant issues:

1. Attached to the front of the special ed. proposal is a complaint from the Department of English regarding dropping ENGL 651 from the program. Considering the content of the 651, the complaint is legitimate. Please consult with Sandra Stephan on this issue and keep the programs committee informed of your dialogue and ultimate decision.

2. Also important, though perhaps less pressing, is the inclusion of ASL 501 as a required course for the two special ed. programs. As per phone conversation, Allen Viehmeyer of Foreign Languages wishes you would have consulted with him on this requirement. ASL 501 will not be offered next year, and its future status is uncertain. Please consult with Dr. Viehmeyer regarding the inclusion of ASL and let us know your decision when you resubmit the Special Education Proposal to this committee.

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The committee was also concerned and would like some explanation/rationale on the strictness or tightness of course choices within the two tracks. Whereas other programs include more choices (say, choose 3 of the following 6 courses), there appears little room for breathing in these requirements.

Secondary Education Proposal. As we began to discuss the secondary education proposal, we began to flounder because of our lack of knowledge due to the complete reorganization of the program. We had many questions that we could not easily figure out from the paperwork. We request that an appropriate representative from the Department of Teacher Education attend our next meeting in order to help us better familiarize ourselves with the proposed program.

Next meeting: Thursday, April 23 @ 3:00. Committee members please come so we can have a quorum.

Agenda: Continued discussion of Secondary Education proposal, Physics, Music Theatre, Hospitality Management Associate and Bachelor, Community Health.