

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY
November 9, 2011

The Academic Council met at 3:30pm on Wednesday, November 9, 2011 in the Deans' Conference Room of Derryberry Hall with Linda Null, Chairperson, presiding.

The following members of the Council were present:

Dr. Pat Bagley	Dr. Mary Pashley
Dr. Paul Semmes	Dr. Brian O'Connor
Dr. Matt Smith	Dr. John Harris
Dr. James Jordan-Wagner	Dr. Corinne Darvennes
Prof. Linda McQuiston	Dr. Susan Gore
Dr. Susan Laningham	Dr. Linda Null
Dr. Steve Isbell	Dr. Jon Jonakin

Other persons present were Ms. Beth Rogers, Dr. Lisa Zagumny, Mr. Arthur LaBar, and Mr. Daniel Tribble represented Mr. Clint Durham. The following were absent:

Dr. Bobby Hodum	Dr. Lee Ann Jolley
Dr. Roy Loutzenheiser	Dr. Jeff Roberts
Dr. Susan Elkins	Dr. Lebron Bell
Dr. Doug Bates	Dr. David Larimore
Ms. Ashley Humphrey	Dr. Steve Canfield
Mr. Clint Durham	Dr. Chris Wilson
Mr. Paul Darkangelo	Dr. Holly Anthony
Ms. Kelsey Clark	Dr. Shannon Morgan

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

Approved the agenda

Approved the minutes of the October 5, 2011 meeting

Approved the reorganization of the Department of Music and Art

Approved the deletion of concentrations in the Instructional Leadership Program

PROCEEDINGS

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Darvennes MOVED approval of the agenda and Dr. Bagley SECONDED. The agenda was APPROVED unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes of the October 5, 2011 Meeting

Dr. Darvennes MOVED approval of the minutes and Dr. Smith SECONDED. Dr. O'Connor stated that Linda Null was the chairperson presiding, not Linda Fisk. The minutes were APPROVED unanimously with the noted correction.

Approval of the Reorganization of the Department of Music and Art

Dr. Smith stated that the Department of Music and Art wishes to separate the departments into two individual departments, the Department of Art and the Department of Music. Mr. LaBar stated that he would be retiring in July 2012 and that will allow the College of Education to search for a Chair of Music and a Chair of Art. Mr. Doubet will be returning to his department in Fall 2012 as a faculty member, and a search will be conducted for a permanent director of the Craft Center. Dr. Smith MOVED approval of the reorganization and Dr. Isbell SECONDED. The discussion to reorganize the department began in 2001 and had the support from the previous dean of education and provost. Due to budget cuts and needed resources for the reorganization, the proposal was not able to move forward until now. The proposal has been approved by the department faculty, College of Education, Craft Center, Provost, and Curriculum Committee. The two disciplines currently act separately on faculty issues such as curriculum and tenure and promotion. The proposal was APPROVED unanimously.

Approval to Delete Concentrations in the Instructional Leadership Program

Dr. Smith stated that four concentrations in the Instructional Leadership Program no longer exist due to mandated changes in the Instructional Leadership Program from the Tennessee Department of Education. It is requested that the following concentrations be deleted from the curriculum: Elementary Principal, Materials Supervisor, Secondary Principal, and Supervision of Instruction. Dr. Smith MOVED approval to delete these concentrations and Dr. Gore SECONDED. The request was APPROVED unanimously.

Such Other Matters

Dr. Null stated that at a previous Council meeting, Dr. Loutzenheiser had agreed to chair a subcommittee to review early warning programs for students. However, Dr. Loutzenheiser is not able to serve as chair of this subcommittee due to his extensive involvement in the SACS review and his many other duties. Ms. Beth Rogers has agreed to chair this subcommittee and Ms. Edith Duvier and Ms. Julie Galloway will serve on the committee. Faculty members are also needed to serve on this committee. Dr. Pashley was asked to serve and Prof. McQuiston has agreed to serve.

Dr. Null asked the Council to feel free to submit agenda items for future Academic Council meetings to her.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40pm.

APPROVED January 25, 2012

Carol Holley, Recorder

Documents on file with the minutes:

Memo and proposal to reorganize the Department of Music and Art

Memo to delete concentrations in the Instructional Leadership Program