Teacher Education Council Minutes February 8, 2017

Present: Carlette Hardin, Chad Brooks, Jana Hatcher, Gary Stewart, Barbara Peterson, , Benita Bruster, Jackie Vogel, Lisa Barron, Linda Davis, Jennifer Snyder, Michelle Rogers, Eric Branscome, Mary Lane, Lauren Hellams, Marcy Maurer, Timothy Wesley, Vicki Smith, John McConnell

Absent: Rex Gandy, Bill Locke, Emily Vaughn, Katherine Honea, Deborah Buchanan, Moniqueka Gold

I. Call to order

3:30 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

Marcy Maurer made the motion to accept the minutes. Linda Davis seconded, and the motion carried.

III. March Meeting

We will not meet in March due to it being Spring Break.

IV. Milestone Revision

The Milestone Review Criteria Checklist has some outdated language on it and needs to be updated. The GPA needs to be updated to include the Graduate GPA, GRE Scores need to be updated and to add labels for Residency I and II. Linda Davis made the motion to make the changes. Lisa Barron seconded and the motion carried.

V. Appeal of Courses

Carlette Hardin stated the language needs to be updated to reflect the proper procedure for appealing a course versus the entire milestone. If students are Secondary Education majors, they may need in one course instead of a block. It would be up to the Secondary Education Advisor to make this determination. Therefore, if students are only appealing one course, the faculty member can permit the student. If the student is missing a Milestone needed for a block of courses, he/she must appeal.

VI. Marcy Maurer's Concern

Marcy is concerned with students who are at the MAT level, but do not have the pedagogy for the degree. They have qualified by testing into the major by a Praxis II Exam, and do not have an undergraduate major in what they want to teach. When they begin to work on their edTPA, it could become an issue. How do we handle this? Because the state will allow candidates to teach with only the PRAXIS II exam, there isn't much that can be done to resolve the issue. After much discussion, it was determined that it was something every department deals with and tries to work around the problem.

V. Curriculum Changes

Curriculum and Instruction-Special Education

Due to low enrollment/graduation in this program, the motion is being made to delete the program. Currently, there are three in the pipeline who will be allowed to finish the program by Spring 2018. Gary Stewart made the motion to accept the proposal to delete the program. Barbara Peterson seconded, and the motion carried.

VI. Adjournment

4:30 p.m.