

Teacher Education Council (TEC)
MEETING NOTES
Wednesday, April 1, 2009, 3:30 p.m.
Stayer Hall – Rm 402

1. Roll Call.

Sandra Deemer, EDFN (chair); Jane Bray, Dean, SOE; Sharon Brusica, ITEC; Dominique Dagit, BIOL; Amelia Lopez, PSYC; Nanette Marcum-Dietrich, EDFN; Richard Mehrenberg, SPED (for Thomas Neuville); Marcia Nell, ELED; Phillip Tacka, MUSI; Michael Wismer, MATH; William Wolf, ART; Cyndi Stehli, SOE Dean's Office.

Excused: Kimberly Heilshorn, ELED; Thomas Neuville, SPED; Anne Papalia-Berardi, SPED; Chip Schaeffer, WESS.

2. Approval of March 18, 2009 Meeting Minutes.

Note: Trish Salvadia, SOE Dean's Office, to provide minutes for February 4, 2009 meeting.

3. Report from the Chair.

- Thank you for immediate response re Ojoma Edeh Herr.
- Advise by Sandy Deemer, TEC Chair, that she will not be available to attend the TEC meeting scheduled for April 15, 2009. Requesting acting chair during absence.

4. Update on EDW Workshop Approvals/Re-Approvals.

- Thank you expressed to Nanette Marcum-Dietrich and Chip Schaeffer for their time and efforts.
- Thank you expressed to Trish Salvadia for her services.

5. Course and Program Approvals

**MATH 204: Algebraic Foundations for the Middle Level Teacher – Dr. Tavis K. Miller/
Dr. Dorothee Blum**

Discussion:

- Overview: Course is part of 3-course preparation for Middle Level Mathematics to help teaching candidates for Grades 4-8 satisfy PDE Chapter 49-2 requirements with a greater strength in appropriate mathematical content. Emphasis: Concrete structure of algebraic structures.
- Course will be required for all students for a BSE with Middle Level certification.
- Course builds upon the elementary foundation developed in Math 104. Academic standards matched.
- Clarification requested: Formative from summative.
- Concern: Field experience; contextual viewing only, no interactive.
- Re Resource Implications Analysis, Question 11: Curriculum sheet (i.e., advising blue sheet) and DARS mockup document available.

MATH 205: Geometry for the Middle Level Teacher – Dr. Elizabeth Sell/Dr. Michael Wismer

Discussion:

- Overview: Course is part of 3-course preparation for Middle Level Mathematics to help teaching candidates for Grades 4-8 satisfy PDE Chapter 49-2 requirements with a greater strength in appropriate mathematical content. Emphasis: Teaching geometry and measurement effectively.
- Course will be required for all students for a BSE with Middle Level certification.
- Course designed with alignment of standards.
- Course designed to be hands on with lab activities.
- Restriction: Student taking MATH 205 cannot take MATH 105, and MATH 105 cannot count for MATH 205.

**MATH 230: Data Analysis and Probability for the Middle Level Teacher – Dr. Kevin Robinson/
Dr. James Fenwick.**

Discussion:

- Overview: Course is part of 3-course preparation for Middle Level Mathematics to help teaching candidates for Grades 4-8 satisfy PDE Chapter 49-2 requirements with a greater strength in appropriate mathematical content. Emphasis: Probability and statistics.
- Course will be required for all students for a BSE with Middle Level certification.
- Course connection with academic standards discussed and interpreted.
- Focus off instructor: Student discovery and how would the middle level student think about this.
- Good: Math/Science/Technology integration; good for middle level tech ed students.
- Re *C. Primary Course Objectives, 3. Use data to make decisions*: Section needs to be expanded.
- Typographic correction, page 6: Will (not with)
- To be determined: Could MATH100 be prerequisite? Response: Not same mathematic preparation as MATH104.
- Consideration re Resources: PSSA data, i.e., state testing data.
- Discussion to math placement tests.

6. **EDW 727: Differentiating instruction: Providing all students access to general education curriculum (workshop conversion to DL) — Dr. Ojoma Edeh Her, SPED**
Status: Approved via email.

**EDW XXX: Wellness for children with special concerns (new DL workshop) —
Dr. Daniel Keefer, WSSD**

Requested revisions/suggestions received and reviewed.

Motion: Sharon Brusic
Second: Michael Wismer
Approved: Unanimous

**Proposal for program modification: BSE secondary (7-12) and PreK-12 certifications –
Dr. Cheryl Desmond, EDFN; Dr. Lucinda Ridley, SPED**
Status: Approved 3/18/09.

7. Old Business – None
8. Policy and Information
Dr. Jane Bray, Dean, School of Education
- Re Distance Learning. Cover page edit to be made, i.e., addition of TEC signature line. (Drs. Bray/Burns)
 - TEC Ed Conference (Louisville, KY) Announcement:
Len Litowitz, President—Program of Year Award received (national level).
 - Comments to Ayers presentation. Engaging, effective speaker. Millersville University stood on principles.
 - Current School of Education programs grandfathered until January 1, 2013, i.e., graduation requirement by December 2012.
9. New Business. None.
10. Adjournment – 4:30 p.m.

Meetings – Spring 2009: 4/15/09

Sincerely submitted,
Cyndi Stehli
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