

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON TEACHER EDUCATION

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The Council on Teacher Education met at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 24, 2004, in the Arcola/Tuscola Room.

Members present: Dr. K. Bower, Dr. Campanis, Dr. Greenlaw, Dr. Hooser, Dr. Powell, Dr. Wolf, and Dean Rohn

Guests present: Dr. Bruning, Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle Level Education; Ms. F. Lewis, Academic Advising

Staff present: Dr. Herrington-Perry and Ms. B. Wilson

A quorum was not present.

I. Minutes

Approval of the minutes from the December 9, 2003, January 13, 2004, January 27, 2004, and February 10, 2004, meetings will be postponed until the next meeting.

II. Communication

None.

III. Items to be added to the Agenda

None.

IV. Items to be Acted Upon

None.

V. Informational Items

1. IBHE Program Reviews
 - Early Childhood Education
 - Elementary Education
 - Middle Level Education

(Dr. Campanis entered the meeting at this point)

Dr. Bruning presented a summary for these programs and answered questions of the council. Dr. Wolf moved and Dr. Campanis seconded the motion to accept this report. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Executive Director's Report

1. Comments drafted by Dean Rohn and Dr. D. Bower have been sent to the IBHE regarding the changes to teacher certification that are being proposed. A copy of the comments will be distributed to chairs and teacher educators. Individuals are encouraged to submit comments to the IBHE. The deadline for this is March 2, 2004.
2. Legislative Issues
 - Early Childhood Education. HB 5018 will require four-year institutions to accept at face value the new AAS in Early Childhood Education and make sure that graduation will occur within two years of transfer. Penalties could then be imposed if this isn't met. The four-year institution will have no input into the AAS requirements. This has the potential to affect other teacher certification programs.
 - Teacher Certification Board. HB 1074 will establish a separate teacher certification board not connected to the ISBE. This will be an eleven-person board. The make up will include two representatives from higher education (one public and one private) and nine

representatives appointed by the two major teacher associations. The make up of this board is of great concern to us.

3. EIU will head up a state-wide effort to survey all first year teachers across the State of Illinois.

The meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Bonnie Wilson, Recorder

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, March 9, at 2 p.m.

Schahrer Room

Agenda:

IBHE Program Reviews:

03/09/04 – Career and Technical Education

04/13/04 – Social Science

04/27/04 – Special Education