

MINUTES  
POLICY COUNCIL  
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION  
April 29, 2015  
1:00-3:00pm  
IUB—Room 2140  
IUPUI—Room 3138B  
IUPUC—Room 155E

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\*\*What follows is a summary of speaker contributions\*\*

**Members Present:** P. Carspecken, Y. Cho, K. Pepler, R. Martinez, F. Pawan, D. Hossler, B. Edmonds, C. Guarino, C. Walcott, S. Scribner, B. Maxcy; **Alternate Members Present:** V. Borden, R. Hughes; **Student Members Present:** E. Mickey, M. Bienz; **Dean's Staff Present:** G. Gonzalez, P. Rogan, R. Kunzman, T. Mason; **Guests:** G. Buck, L. Stachowski, A. Stright, A. Brannan, D. Hickey, A. McCormick, P. Kloosterman, S. Martinez, C. Buzzelli, R. Skiba, M. Nyikos, L. Lackey, C. Morton.

### **I. Announcements and Discussions**

#### Dean's Report: Dean Gerardo Gonzalez

The Dean reported that the Provost had an emergency situation that took her out of town and prevented her from attending the Policy Council meeting. The Dean emailed John Applegate and Kevin Kish earlier in the morning to see if there were any updates regarding the Blue Ribbon Review Committee (BRRC). Thus far, there has been no response to the email, but previously the Dean was informed that the BRRC has attempted to schedule a conference call but could not find a time to do so. At this point, it looks as though the earliest and best possible meeting time will be early in the fall semester. (Later in the meeting, the Dean received a copy of an email from J. Applegate that was addressed to P. Carspecken concerning the BRRC. The email indicated that the schedules of the BRRC members have not been compatible to this point, and J. Applegate was asking for input into whether the committee's review should be put off until the summer or early fall. P. Carspecken indicated that he would respond and suggest that the review be put off until the fall semester. B. Maxcy asked P. Carspecken to inquire into the previous request to expand the BRRC by adding two scholars of color. P. Carspecken indicated that he would ask for an update on that request.)

Next, the Dean commended Vic Borden and the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) for their comprehensive overview of the school. He noted that the final report has been posted and encouraged faculty to look at it.

The Dean then discussed his recent trip to Istanbul and Ankara in Turkey and to Riyadh in Saudi Arabia. The trip was, in part, a follow up to President McRobbie's visit to key universities in those cities. The President has recently identified 32 "priority countries" and has made a commitment to visiting each country and building "institution to institution" partnerships with

top tier universities in those countries. Once those partnerships are established, it is customary for the President to reach out to those units on campus that have special opportunities for collaboration or where special interest in collaboration is expressed. The Dean was proud to find that people in key leadership roles at the universities in Turkey and Saudi Arabia are graduates of or have been visiting scholars at the IU School of Education. The Dean reported strong interest among school of education faculty and deans at these universities in exchange programs and other opportunities for collaboration with IU. There is discussion about making some of the exchange opportunities internal to the School of Education so that our faculty would not have to compete with faculty from every other unit.

The Dean announced that President McRobbie has asked him to be a special advisor to International Programs on IU-Cuba relations. Subsequently, the Dean has received requests from and information about faculty across the university who do study-abroad courses with field experiences in Cuba, who are looking to develop partnerships, etc. There might be possibilities for SoE faculty as well, especially given Cuba's interest in education and, in particular, its interest in developing its technology capacities.

The Dean also announced the spring Faculty Meeting to be held on Friday, May 1 at 10:00am. And, on Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 4pm, there will be a SoE celebration of both the Dean's 15 years of service as Dean and of J. Alexander's appointment as Dean of the College of Education and Human Development at Texas A&M University. Furthermore, on June 10<sup>th</sup> the university will have a more formal recognition of the Dean's service. He encouraged faculty to attend both events, and noted that attendance at the formal, university-wide celebration will help to demonstrate solidarity and commitment during a time of change and transition.

The Dean indicated that his plan is to take a one-year leave after the completion of his tenure on June 30<sup>th</sup>. He will then return to the faculty full time in the Educational Leadership and Policy Studies department. His hope is to continue writing his memoir and to prepare for courses he plans to teach upon his return.

In closing, he expressed what a pleasure and honor it has been to serve as Dean and to work with the faculty and staff in the School of Education and across campus. And he thanked the 2014-2015 Policy Council for its hard work and service.

## **II. Old Business**

None

## **III. New Business**

### Standing Committees Annual Reports

Chairs or Representatives from these Committees delivered annual reports:

Graduate Studies Committee – A. McCormick

Research and Development Committee – A. Stright

Diversity Committee – R. Skiba

IUB Grievance Hearing Committee – A. Brannan

Faculty Development Committee – S. Martinez  
Learning and Teaching with Technology – D. Hickey  
Long Range Planning Committee – V. Borden  
Promotions, Tenures, and Contracts Committee – G. Buck  
IUB Committee on Teacher Education – P. Kloosterman  
Scholarship Committee – L. Stachowski  
Nominations and Elections Committee – B. Edmonds  
IUB Faculty Affairs Committee – C. Buzzelli  
IUPUI Faculty Affairs Committee – C. Morton

These annual reports were submitted but not presented:

IUPUI Grievance Hearing Committee  
International Programs Committee  
IUPUI Committee on Teacher Education

Proposal to Change name of minor in Literacy, Culture, and Language Education (15.42)

M. Nyikos indicated that the name of the PhD degree was changed several years ago from Language Education to Literacy, Culture, and Language Education. The department failed concomitantly to request a name change for the minor. This proposal is intended to change the name of the minor to be consistent with the PhD. The name change does not require any changes to what currently goes on the transcript or any other program changes.

**Result:** The proposal passed unanimously.

Proposal for World Languages Education Degree (15.43)

M. Nyikos discussed the proposal, which consolidates five separate Bachelor's Degrees into one "World Languages" degree with specialization in one of the five languages.

Proposal for Doctoral Minors in Curriculum and Instruction (15.44)

L. Lackey discussed the proposal, which would make the listed minors within Curriculum and Instruction transcriptable. Previously, these minors were lumped under one "Curriculum and Instruction" minor.

**Result:** The proposal passed unanimously.

ECE/Elementary Science Education Course Requirement Change (15.45)

R. Kunzman discussed the proposal, which would change the list of accepted courses from Geological Sciences that fulfill program requirements for all Early Childhood and Elementary Education majors. The list would change from three classes (G103, G104 or G105) to only one course (G105 – Our Habitable Planet).

**Result:** The proposal passed unanimously.

IUPUI—Chair of Teacher Education (15.46)

C. Morton discussed the proposal, which would implement a procedure for selecting one Chair for Teacher Education at IUPUI.

**Result:** The proposal passed unanimously.

Informational Item:

K. Pepler talked about the Creation, Reorganization, Elimination and Merger (CREM) of academic units and programs policy proposed by the Bloomington Faculty Council (BFC). She explained that recent program consolidations on the Bloomington campus raised discussion about the role for faculty governance in CREM decisions and processes. The current language was found to be unclear, and the BFC crafted new and clarifying language for a CREM policy.

B. Maxcy raised questions about the implications of this policy for the core campus programs and about the inclusion of the IUPUI faculty's voice in decisions being made related to program changes, reorganization, and mergers. He invited further and inclusive discussion about these issues.

**IV. New Courses/Course Changes**

P. Carspecken announced that courses listed are open for 30 day remonstrance.

**\*\*P. Carspecken adjourned the meeting at 2:40pm\*\***