The sixth meeting of the Council for Teacher Education for the 2007-2008 academic year was held Monday, February 11, 2008 at 3:15 p.m. in Speight 202. Members present: Rick Barnes, Michael Bossé, Carol Brown, Michael Brown, Tom Caron, Joe Ciechalski, Vivian Covington (Chair), Bethann Fine, Todd Finley, Linda High, Tammy Lee, PCS representative Chris Moxley, Mary Pickard, Betty Peel, Mary Lisa Pories, Robbie Quinn, Marcela Ruiz-Funes, Karli Ruscoe, Jane Teleki, Sarah Williams, and Scott Williams. Absent were Boni Boswell, John Carlson, Lynne Davis, Meta Downes/Gregg Givens, David Gabbard, and Bill Grobe.

Order of Business

Agenda I - Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 15, 2008 meeting were accepted with one correction. Under the Standing Committee Reports, Admission and Retention. It was discussed that the two literacy courses, ASIP 2000 and EDTC 4001 be eliminated. It should read, “ASIP 2000 would be eliminated and EDTC 4001 revised and changed to a 3 s.h. course.”

Agenda II – Announcements

North Carolina in the World News illustrated how global education was at work in Guilford High School. Four high school students competed in an international youth science competition in Beijing, China last March along with students from several other countries.

Jami Jones and Carol Brown are interested in developing modules for 21st century skills to teach information literacy skills for possible inclusion in courses for preservice or inservice teachers at the undergraduate level. This would promote collaboration with media coordinators and technology facilitators and support to teacher education. Individual program areas were encouraged to meet with LSIT faculty if interested.

Agenda III - Old Business

An open forum on the candidates for the Dean of the COE will be held February 14, 2008 in Speight 129 for COE faculty from 2:00-3:30 p.m. Alan White, Chair of the Search Committee will lead the discussion.

A motion was made by Mary Lisa Pories and seconded by Tom Caron to accept the two-year pilot policy for internship placements in a charter school. Some concerns were interns not being exposed to students with special needs and diversity in the schools. Michael Brown noted that the policy was well-written. Joe Ciechalski called for the question. The motion carried.

Agenda IV – New Business

Lynne Davis was unable to attend and present an update.

Agenda V – Standing Committees

Admission & Retention – No report.

Evaluation and Planning – No report.
Curriculum – Vivian Covington reported for Boni Boswell, Chair. The Committee approved the following: (1) addition of HLTH 3010 as a pre-requisite for HLTH 3244. HLTH 3301 (lab) is being dropped as a co-requisite for HLTH 3300. (2) the requirement of MATH 3233, College Geometry, to MATH 3301, Foundations of Geometry for teacher education majors. (3) a new course from Math/Science, MATE 3300, Geometry for High School Teachers. (4) five new courses in C&I; TESL 6100, 6200, 6300, 6400, and 6500. Marcela Ruiz-Funes asked about the status of the TESL program. TESL was formerly in Arts and Sciences in the English Department and moved to the COE. The COE is in the process of creating undergraduate and graduate level courses in TESL. Courses will be taught by C&I licensed TESL teachers. Presently we do not have an approved program in TESL. Students may add ESL to a valid teaching license by passing the PRAXIS test in ESL. Diane Rodriguez and Jane Manner are starting a cohort to have courses available to students, which will improve their chances of passing the PRAXIS Test. A motion was made by Michael Brown and seconded by Michael Bossé to approved the report pending receipt of the report.

Policy – Mike Bossé, Chair, reported that the committee met. A reformulation of Professional Development Core meeting with faculty will be February 22, 2008. There will be designated times for discussion. There is concern that revisions may add some credit hours to some programs. SACS requires 30 hours in foundation curriculum credit; ECU requires 42. Discussions will be held concerning students developing a professional website in addition to an electronic portfolio.

Agenda VI – Ad Hoc Committees

Graduate Programs – Vivian Covington announced the dissolution of the committee “Graduate Programs” and replace with “Advanced Licensure Programs”.

(Save the dates of February 22 and April 11, 2008 for future “re-visioning education meetings”.)

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. The next meeting will be March 3, 2008.

Meeting dates for 2008

March 3, 2008 (first Monday due to spring break)
April 14, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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