

## Council for Teacher Education

The Council for Teacher Education met on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 2020 of the Cate Teacher Education Center. The following members were present: Daniel Acosta, Rhett Allain, Leigh Ann Beard, David Bernard, Mindy Crain-Dorough, Brad Didier, Alicia Enloe, Charlotte Humphries, Shirley Jacob, Gail McMillon, Terri Miller-Drufner, Christine Mitchell, Bill Neal, Claudia Salcedo, Lou Schultz, Martha Thornhill and James Worthen.

1. Dr. Leigh Ann Beard called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes**  
Minutes of the meeting on February 11, 2009, were approved as submitted.
3. **Department of English**  
Dr. Christine Mitchell presented the following changes:
  - A. Request for New Change: Engl 467/567. The Teaching of Writing. Credit 3 hours. Prerequisites: English 102 or 122H, Junior standing or permission of the Department Head. For prospective and returning teachers. Theory and methods for teaching writing. Emphasis on students' own writing development through hands-on creation of original teaching materials. Students gain practical experience by serving as writing consultants for two hours per week in area schools and/or Southeastern Writing Center. Three hours lecture, and two hours of laboratory per week.

Why is this change needed? To bring the course in synch with Engl 468, The Teaching of Literature, also a pedagogy course.

Motion for item A was made, seconded and passed.

- B. Request for Changes: Add the following either/or options to the curriculum: (1) Engl 101, Freshman Composition or Engl 122H, Ancient Epic: Literature and Composition. (2) Engl 102, Critical Reading and Writing or Engl 122H, Modern Epic: Literature and Composition. (3) Engl 413, The Development of the English Language or Engl 414 Introduction to Linguistics.

Why are these changes needed? Some students already take these classes so adding them as alternatives eliminates the need for substitutions.

Motion for item B was made, seconded and passed.

4. **Other Business**

Dr. Mitchell expressed concerns that all colleges are not aware of curriculum changes.

Dr. Thornhill and Dr. Beard stated that they will communicate the changes in curriculum and Praxis tests and will check in to possibly getting a copy of the Department of Teaching and Learning's Advising Handbook to all CTE members.

Dr. Jacob stated that an advising handbook has been given to secondary advisors of the other colleges approximately eight years ago.

5. **Next Meeting**

April 22, 2009, at 3:00 p.m., TEC 2020  
Proposals due by April 6, 2009

Meeting was adjourned at 3:23 P.M.