## MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Curriculum & Instruction, New Computer Science Education Concentration

- 11. Department of Accounting, New Accounting Minor Proposal
- 12. Department of Counseling & Psychology, New Human Behavior Data Analytics School of Art, Craft & Design, New Dual-Studio Concentration School of Art, Craft & Design, New Studio Art Minor School of Music, New Music History, Music Performance, Music Technology, Music Theory
  - & Composition Minor and Minor Name Changes
  - School of Human Ecology, New Family Sciences Minor
  - School of Human Ecology, New Child and Family Trauma Informed Care Certificate
  - Department of Computer Science, Termination of Software and Scientific App reW

Dr. Jeremy Wendt stated that this concentration offers graduate level students the opportunity to continue their education in a growing field. Practitioners and scholars of varied backgrounds may benefit from completing this coursework, as principles and concepts are applied across many

degree but would like to expand their knowledge-base and professional practice. After minimal discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Barry Stein SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

## <u>Department of Accounting, Remove the letter of recommendation requirement from the Master of Accountancy Application</u>

Kate Nicewicz stated that such letters are rarely used in the decision-making process and are often a stumbling block to quick acceptance to a program. The removal of this requirement is based upon the belief that this requirement of a letter of recommendation does not provide significant evidence that informs the decision-making process. After minimal discussion, Dr. Holly Stretz MOVED approval and Dr. Lisa Zagumny SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

## <u>Curriculum & Instruction, New Comprehensive/Interventionist Concentration</u> Withdrawn

Dr. Jeremy Wendt stated that this new concentration will empower undergraduate candidates to teach all aspects of children with special needs across multiple Tennessee licensure levels. These options will increase the marketability and job placement opportunities of graduates in an already high-demand field. In addition to updated curriculum that aligns more closely to licensure standards, new coursework will better prepare pre-service teachers for a successful careee pre

## School of Art, Craft & Design, New Studio Art Minor

Kimberly Winkle stated that by adding the new minor, they will be able to serve the educational interests of a wider range of students while better ensuring financial aid coverage. After minimal