



## **SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS**

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Adjournment

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Darron Smith SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **Approval of the Minutes from the October 4, 2023 Meeting**

Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Darron Smith SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **School of Human Ecology Deletion of Concentration**

Dr. Melinda Anderson stated due to a declining enrollment (8 students in 2020 to 1 student in 2023) it is necessary to consider the deletion of the **Family and Consumer Sciences Education concentration**. The job market has changed drastically in recent years such that students with other teaching licenses can teach the Family and Consumer Sciences content on a waiver. After minimal discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Darron Smith SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **School of Human Ecology Deletion of Minors**

Dr. Melinda Anderson stated the **Family Science Minor** has proven unsustainable due to the following reasons: lack of career specialization options for those holding a minor in Family Science, lack of faculty resources to continue offering the minor, and Financial Aid changes impacting tuition for courses constituting minors. **The Merchandising & Design Minor** has proven unsustainable due to the following reasons: lack of career specialization options for those holding a minor in Merchandising & Design, lack of faculty resources to continue offering the minor, and Financial Aid changes impacting tuition for courses constituting minors. After minimal discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Darron Smith SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **Department of Earth Sciences Concentration Name Change**

Dr. Jeanette Luna stated the Department of Earth Sciences proposes to change the name of the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) concentration to **Geospatial Data Analysis**. The change better describes what students are learning and accomplishing in the concentration. Moreover, the change aligns with industry terminology and job titles. After minimal discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Darron Smith SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **Department of Math Addition of New Concentration**

Dr. Michael Allen proposed the creation of a new concentration: **Mathematics for Secondary Education in the Mathematics B.S. Degree**. This concentration within the mathematics major prepares a student for the Job-Embedded Pathway to Teacher Licensure by getting a B.S. degree in mathematics, which provides the proof of content knowledge needed for the Job-Embedded Pathway. After minimal discussion, Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr Darron Smith SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

### **School of Human Ecology Admission Requirement Change**

Dr. Melinda Anderson proposed changes to admission requirements in Graduate Catalog for **Community Health and Nutrition Graduate program**. Through 3 years of application reviews, the selection committee found that while TN Tech students take orga

**Adjournment**

Dr. Lisa Zagumny MOVED approval and Dr. Darron Smith SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Amy McCoy, Recorder

Documents on file with the minutes:

All documents presented at the meeting

APPROVAL January 31, 2024