

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY
February 22, 2006

The Academic Council met at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 22, 2006, in the Deans' Conference Room of Derryberry Hall with Jeff Roberts, Chairperson, presiding.

The following members of the Council were present:

Prof. Rebecca Tolbert
Dr. Roy Loutzenheiser
Dr. Wade Faw
Dr. Darrell Garber
Dr. Winston Walden
Ms. Amy Campbell
Dr. Susan Laningham
Dr. Jeff Roberts
Dr. Christine Miller
Dr. Jann Cupp
Dr. David Larimore

Dr. Joseph Biernacki
Dr. P.K. Rajan
Prof. Darlene Franklin
Dr. Brian O'Connor
Dr. John Harris
Dr. Darrell Hoy
Dr. Gretta Stanger
Dr. Tony Baker
Dr. Linda Null
Prof. Ray Jordan

Dr. Paul Semmes attended for Dr. Jack Armistead, and Dr. Gary Pickett attended for Dr.

5. Discussed a revised proposal for a new Academic Misconduct Policy.
6. Appointed a subcommittee to review the Academic Misconduct Policy and another to study a proposed Plagiarism Prevention Policy.

PROCEEDINGS

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Loutzenheiser MOVED approval of the agenda, and Dr. Stanger SECONDED the motion. The agenda was APPROVED as distributed.

Approval of the Minutes of the January 25 Meeting

Dr. Larimore MOVED approval of the minutes of the January 25 meeting as posted on the Academic Council web site, and Dr. Faw SECONDED the motion. The minutes were corrected to show that Dr. Mark Stephens was present, but not also absent. Also, at Dr. O'Connor's suggestion, a statement was added to clarify that the reason for a change in the deadline for turning in grades to the Records Office was to allow them more time to process grades (as all grades must be turned in before any grades can be run). The minutes were APPROVED as posted with these corrections.

Textbook Adoption Policy

Dr. Roberts noted that the Faculty Senate approved this policy earlier. If approved on campus and by the successful contractor for the bookstore operation, this textbook adoption policy would replace the one that is currently in the *Faculty Handbook*

The Council discussed the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed policy. In response to a question from Professor Tolbert, Dr. Roberts said that students have not had an opportunity for input. The major change from the old policy to the proposed new policy is that TTU is not guaranteeing that textbooks will be used for a minimum of two years.

Dr. O'Connor MOVED approval of the proposed textbook policy, and Dr. Null SECONDED the motion. Dr. Barker said before a new bookstore contract is awarded, there will be open meetings to discuss proposals from potential bidders for the contract. A new bookstore contract will be negotiated this spring and will go into effect July 1, 2006. The policy was APPROVED via voice vote. There were some negative votes.

College of Business ETS Proposal

Dr. Gary Pickett presented the proposal from the College of Business to add Business students' ETS percentile scores to their transcripts. The College of Business adopted the use of the ETS business exam about 15 years ago as their Performance

