

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL  
TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY  
FEBRUARY 29, 2012

The Academic Council met at 3:30pm on Wednesday, February 29, 2012 in the Deans' Conference Room of Derryberry Hall with Linda Null, Chairperson presiding.

The following members of the Council were present:

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| Dr. Bobby Hodum       | Dr. Susan Laningham   |
| Dr. Roy Loutzenheiser | Dr. Jeff Roberts      |
| Dr. Paul Semmes       | Dr. Steve Isbell      |
| Dr. Matt Smith        | Dr. Shannon Morgan    |
| Dr. Susan Elkins      | Dr. Corinne Darvennes |
| Prof. Linda McQuiston | Dr. Linda Null        |
| Dr. Lee Ann Jolley    |                       |

Other persons present were Dr. J.P. Barfield and Ms. Beth Rogers. The following were absent:

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| Dr. Pat Bagley          | Dr. David Larimore |
| Dr. James Jordan-Wagner | Dr. Steve Canfield |
| Dr. Doug Bates          | Dr. Chris Wilson   |
| Ms. Ashley Humphrey     | Dr. Brian O'Connor |
| Mr. Clint Durham        | Dr. John Harris    |
| Mr. Paul Darkangelo     | Dr. Holly Anthony  |
| Ms. Kelsey Clark        | Dr. Susan Gore     |
| Dr. Mary Pashley        | Dr. Jon Jonakin    |
| Dr. Lebron Bell         |                    |

approved by the College Curriculum and the University Curriculum Committees. The program name change is to better identify the curriculum currently taught in the department, since all the courses taught in the department are Engineering Technology in nature, as well as current faculty credentials are engineering technology. The department is planning to pursue the more recognizable TAC ABET accreditation in the job market and industry. The name/title change form will be sent to the TBR Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs for approval.

#### Approval of a Proposal to Add the Center for Positive Youth Sports in EXPW

Dr. Barfield explained the need for a research, service, and instructional Center for Positive Youth Sports due to the high demand for coaching education coupled with the low availability through the TBR system. The Center, which will be a part of the Exercise Science, Physical Education, and Wellness Department, will also serve as a resource to the state in conducting and disseminating research, marketing best practices through coaching clinics, and instructing consumers across the state through both ground and online instruction. No additional funds will be required for this center. Current departmental funds will be used. Dr. Hodum MOVED approval of this proposal and Dr. Isbell SECONDED. After some discussion and questions, the proposal was APPROVED unanimously.

#### Approval of the Report of the Faculty Senate Promotion Policy Committee

Dr. Roberts stated that a review committee was formed by the Faculty Senate to review the inconsistencies in the number of years of professional experience in the instructional discipline required for promotion from assistant professor to associate professor and from associate professor to full professor. The committee recommended the following clarification to the Faculty Promotion (2005) policy, IV. C. 2. Completion of five full academic years at the rank of assistant professor at the end of the academic year during which the faculty member is applying for promotion to associate professor. D. 2. Completion of five full academic years at the rank of associate professor at the end of the academic year during which the faculty member is applying for promotion to full professor. Dr. Roberts MOVED approval of the change and Dr. Darvennes SECONDED.