MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY November 13, 2013

Approval of the Minutes of the October 16, 2013 Meeting

Dr. Janet Isbell MOVED approval of the minutes and Ms. McDonald SECONDED. The minutes were APPROVED unanimously.

Prior approval of changes to the Faculty Research Committee Grant Program

Dr. Isbell stated that an email vote was conducted on October 9, 2013 requesting approval for changes to the Faculty Research Committee Grant Program (see attached email and requested changes). Twenty council members voted to approve the changes, which is a majority vote.

Approval of Child Life Option to a Concentration in Human Ecology

Dr. Shipley explained the request to change the Child Life option to a concentration (see attached proposal). Changing the option to a concentration will allow Child Life students to be tracked easier for enrollment and retention purposes, and the concentration will be displayed on their transcripts. Dr. Shipley MOVED approval and Dr. Greene SECONDED. After a brief discuss, the proposal was APPROVED unanimously.

Denied Changes to Admission Requirements for Sociology and Political Science

Dr. Seiler represented Dr. Raymondo and explained the reason for the changes in the admission requirements for the department (see attached proposal). The requested change is for incoming freshmen admitted as a Sociology or Political Science major to be required to have an ACT composite score of 18 or higher. Dr. Semmes MOVED approval and Ms. McDonald SECONDED. After much discussion and questions, the proposal was DENIED unanimously. It was noted that the Provost has formed an Ad Hoc committee to review all university admission standards. Their first meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2013.

Approved Course Prefixes and Descriptions for Counseling and Psychology

Dr. Stein stated that these changes were requested by CACREP in their initial review for the application for accreditation (see attached proposal). All these courses are already in existence. Students will be in higher demand coming from a program with this accreditation. Dr. Smith MOVED approval and Dr. Roberts SECONDED. After a brief discussion, the proposal was APPROVED unanimously.

There being no Such Other Matters, the meeting was adjourned at 3:55pm.

Carol Holley, Recorder

APPROVED FEBRUARY 19, 2014

Documents on file with the minutes:

Email vote and changes to faculty research committee grant program