



CONGRESS

**Monday, December 6, 2021
Zoom Meeting
3:00 pm**

DRAFT Minutes

Present: Shawn Huisinga, JaDora Sailes, Chris MacDonald, Bobbie Jo Monahan, Larry Tinnerman, Amanda White, Jon Iftikar, David Long

Ex-officio: Linda Sperry

Visiting: Yong Joon Park, Eric Hampton

1. Call to Order – 3:00pm
2. Approval of minutes for November 8, 2021
 - a. Move: C. MacDonald; Second: L. Tinnerman; No discussion; Vote: 6-0-0 (J. Sailes was not present for vote)
3. New Business
 - a) Proposals
 - i. Elementary Education Transition to Teaching (Yong Joon Park)
<https://indstate.curriculog.com/proposal:5759/form>
 - a. Y.J. Park: part of master's degree programs offered; in IN other institutions offer transition to teaching program (Purdue, IU, and Ball State); we've received 30 phone calls and a few emails asking about transition to teaching program so there's interest; this Fall group of faculty had meetings to develop idea and got approval from Teaching and Learning master's committee members and also dept. faculty approval so now proposing to congress
 - b. B.J. Monahan: we used to have master's or licensure program; you're proposing an undergrad program?
 - c. Y.J. Park: no, previous program existed but was not approved; secondary education was approved but not elementary;
 - d. Y.J. Park: new program uses preexisting graduate courses and two new courses ELED 654 and EDUC 601

- e. L. Tinnerman: used to have transition to teaching program for middle school but high rate of attrition b/c students didn't want to lose current jobs; how will you address that?
 - f. Y.J. Park: we will be working on handbook in detail to address such possible issues
 - g. B.J. Monahan: St. Mary's has a program that you can look at
 - h. Y.J. Park: yes, my wife is a faculty member there and designed that program
 - i. L. Sperry: the state has a rule that if in T2T program you can be hired where you are working; recent change in IDOE standards; the two new courses will be reviewed tomorrow at TEC; goal is to get everything together so we can go to state by Feb. 1st
 - j. Y.J. Park: Purdue and IU only offer secondary T2T so not too late in launching program
 - k. B.J. Monahan: we have so many instructional aids that want to get license that are working on pathway getting associate degree then bachelor; this can address teacher shortage
 - l. Move: B.J. Monahan; Second: L. Tinnerman; No additional discussion; Vote: 8-0-0
- ii. Evaluation and Assessment Certificate (Eric Hampton)
<https://indstate.curriculog.com/proposal:5147/form>
- a. E. Hampton: had to adjust some courses; revamp of old test and measures course; we wanted to enhance training and evaluation methodology; prepare people to have understanding of evaluation as a principal and approach
 - b. Move: C. MacDonald; Second: A. White
 - c. Discussion
 - i. L. Tinnerman: what area does this prepare you for? What are outcomes? Who would take it?
 - ii. E. Hampton: educators b/c it would give them a different idea of assessment; administrators perhaps; anyone interested in evaluation
 - iii. C. MacDonald: people in mental health settings
 - iv. L. Tinnerman: this piqued my interests b/c I might try to include one of the courses in our program
 - v. L. Sperry: initially approached by Todd Bess and the Indiana Association of School Principals
 - vi. L. Tinnerman: is this something we can substitute as part of course efficiencies – could one course replace EDUC 611?
 - vii. E. Hampton: possibly
 - d. Vote: 8-0-0

4. Old Business

- a. Vote on Constitution Revisions (Shawn Huisinga)
 - i. C. MacDonald: Article II, Section 2.31 – eliminate “one person for a one-year term” and also second sentence [revision made]
 - ii. S. Huisinga: eliminate Alumni Association sentence in Section 2.33 [revision made]
 - iii. C. MacDonald: Section 2.6 – September isn't accurate anymore
 - iv. S. Huisinga: change to April?
 - v. L. Sperry: might say “hold first meeting in late spring semester”
 - a. [following revisions made]:
 - i. “September” changed to “late spring semester to elect officers and begin meeting regularly in September”
 - ii. Eliminated “and” from “and at least monthly”
 - vi. C. MacDonald: Article III, Section 1.3 – change language

- vii. L. Sperry: Susan Powers asked for this b/c she needs to get it into workflow in FAD; I could work on this to straighten out language
- viii. S. Huisinga: other colleges have addressed this so their constitutions might be helpful
- ix. L. Sperry: let's leave it for now and I'll work on it to communicate election of new members in Spring; probably should be separate meeting for electing new members in early May
- x. C. MacDonald: Section 3.2 – "Minutes of the congress shall be posted to the college website" instead of "to members of congress and faculty of the college" [revision made]
- xi. S. Huisinga: we'll let Linda look at this one more time; I did look at voting requirements; I am open to learning how voting process works
- xii. C. MacDonald: has to pass 2/3 majority of Congress; Article IV is most relevant to voting
- xiii. S. Huisinga: we will put this on hold

5. Dean's Report

- a. L. Sperry:
 - i. nothing to report on; he would want to thank everyone for fine service this semester
 - ii. finalizing MOU with Vigo County Schools that will offer enough courses to high school students from their freshman year on so that they can come to ISU with their first year done; part of initiatives demanded by public and state legislature for reducing time from H.S. to college from 8 years to 6 years; other colleges interested; this will help our enrollment struggles; MOU will provide ISU course numbers that students will pay for (small portion of tuition set up by state); once we get final approval from Vigo County will be rolling out publicly to college
 - iii. another major initiative is 30 new students coming into MEd and EdS program as of January; spearheaded by Donlan and Balch; two different cohorts of students
- b. J. Iftikar: how will the MOU work for education students?
- c. L. Sperry: students will be able to take pre-reqs and capstone of high school experience; students will come in and be ready to join program

6. Chair's Report

- a. S. Huisinga: nothing to report; any directions for Spring semester? Course efficiencies?
- b. L. Sperry: making good progress on syllabus for proposal course as part of course efficiencies; will be bringing it forward; haven't been working as hard on master's level courses but can look in that direction
- c. S. Huisinga: if other ideas let me know

7. Open Discussion

- a. None

8. Adjournment – 3:44pm

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