Present: Nowell Donovan - Chair, Paulette Burns, Joe Butler (for Scott Sullivan), Mike Butler, Bill Diong, Donna Johnson, Paul King, June Koelker, Nadia Lahutsky, Brett Major, Ed McNertney, Bonnie Melhart, Pat Miller, Moncrief (for Short), Linda Moore, Julie O’Neil, Thomas Pressley, Andy Schoolmaster, Cecilia Silva, Bill Slater, Kay Stevens (for Sam Deitz), Australia Tarver, Peggy Watson, Gary Whitman,
GUESTS: Janace Clark, Mary Anne Gorman, Richard Gipson, Jane Kucko, Gina Jarman Hill

The regular meeting of the University Council was held on Monday, February 18th at 3:30 p.m. in the Tucker Technology Center, Room 139, with Nowell Donovan, Chair, presiding.

Donovan welcomed everyone to the final University Council Meeting of the 2007-08 academic year. He thanked everyone for their service and turned the meeting over to Pat Miller. Miller indicated that one item had been tabled at the February Meeting. Moore moved that the item be brought to the table. Motion was seconded

TABLED ITEM

Journalism, Strategic Communication – Change in GPA Requirements – Julie O’Neil explained the proposal. Miller asked if it would be more clear to change the proposal to read “C” rather than 2.0 or better. Melhart expressed that 2.0 would be preferable and after a brief discussion, Miller withdrew his request. The proposal was moved, seconded and approved. New requirements effective Fall 2008.

Consent Agenda

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- Minutes of February 18, 2008 Meeting
- Entrepreneurial Management – Change in Requirements
- Broadcast Journalism – Change in Requirements
- Fine Arts Multiple Programs – Change in Requirements
- Political Science (International Relations Emphasis) – Change in Requirements
- Communication Sciences and Disorders – Change in Requirements
- Middle School Math/Science – Drop Program
- Design, Merchandising and Textiles – Drop Merchandising Minor
- Interdisciplinary Health Aging Minor – Add Program
- Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist

Agenda
CHANGE IN PROGRAM OR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

General Business Minor – Change in Requirements – Moncrief explained that the minor was completely evaluated and revised, and that they are working with current students to make certain this doesn’t create a hardship. McNertney asked about the electives. Moncrief explained that there will be more added. Major inquired about class size and was told that it is far from ideal, but they are working toward improvement. Proposal was moved, seconded and approved. New requirements effective Fall 2008.

Merchandising and Interior Design Majors – Change in Requirements – Clarke reported that the department sees the need for a minimum grade requirement because of the high number of students who fall below the 2.5 are struggling. Miller asked about having Undergraduate Curriculum Committee address the issue. Schoolmaster moved approval. Motion was seconded and approved. New requirement effective Fall 2008

Social Work – Change Requirements – Burns explained that the changes are minor and follow national guidelines and standards. Proposal was moved, seconded and approved. New requirements effective Summer 2008.

Slater moved to consider the two Nutritional Sciences proposals together. Motion was seconded and passed.

Dietetics (Option I) – Change in Requirements
Didactic Program in Dietetics (Option II) – Change in Requirements – Hill and Gorman explained that these changes were being made to ensure that students would be better prepared and more competitive once they completed the program and began pursuing professional positions. Students can graduate the program but will not get certified without meeting the GPA requirements. Miller stated that classes taken post-graduation would not change the GPA. A friendly amendment was requested, and Miller agreed to change wording. Proposal was moved, seconded and approved. New Requirements effective Fall 2008.

NEW PROGRAMS

Stevens moved to consider next two proposals together. Motion was seconded and passed.

MED in Counseling w/Emphasis in Child Life
Three-Two MED in Elementary Education w/Emphasis in Child Life – Butler asked if Three-Two proposal shouldn’t be approved by Undergraduate Council, and Melhart said only Graduate Council approval is required. McNertney asked if 3.0 applies only to graduate GPA and Melhart explained that it also applies to undergraduate GPA. Proposal was moved, seconded and approved. Effective Fall 2008.

MED in Counseling Pursuing Requirements for Licensed Professional Counselor – Moore moved approval, motion was seconded and passed. Effective Fall 2008.

DMA in Multiple Programs – proposal combined – Gipson gave a brief explanation of the proposal and stated that policies and curricula have been reviewed and provisionally approved by the National Association of Schools of Music. Slater inquired about the length of the program. Gipson said it would take approximately three years. Moore asked if resources are available and
Gipson said that Music has planned for this and are very well-placed. Proposal was moved, seconded and approved. Effective Fall 2008.

**Certificate in International Studies** – Kucko explained that the program is to foster development of global citizens through academic coursework, participation in TCU-sponsored global programs, and interaction with international communities. The goal is to have students take courses prior to going abroad. Plans are being developed for smooth transition of current students. About 30-40 students is the goal. Proposal was moved, seconded and passed. Effective Fall 2008.

**BS Degree w/Major in Child Development** – No one from Science and Engineering was available to explain the proposal, but Moore stated that the interdisciplinary cooperation is the spirit of the program. Miller stated that he was surprised by the hours required. Proposal was moved, seconded and approved. Effective Fall 2008.

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

**Additional Master’s Degree – Clarification** – Burns moved approval, motion was seconded and passed. Effective Fall 2008.

**3-2 to 4-1 edit – Education** – Stevens moved approval, motion was seconded and passed. Effective Fall 2008.

**Educational Agreements and International Affiliations/Consortia Relationships**

In compliance with SACS criteria requirements all educational agreements are reviewed annually by the responsible academic administrator, the Assistant Provost, and the University attorney when appropriate, and are on file in the Associate Provost’s office. The Associate Provost for Academic Affairs reviews all international affiliations/consortia relationships on a periodic basis as warranted. A list of such agreements is being distributed to the Council members. Copies of all relevant documents are on permanent file in both the Associate Provost Offices. Future substantive changes in any agreements/affiliations will be brought to the attention of the Council annually. List was distributed by email and approved in September 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Recording Secretary