

**TEACHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE**  
**Annual Report to the Faculty Senate**  
**April 8, 2011**

**Committee Members:** Debra Anderson-Conliffe, Dirk Johnson, Jack Magan, John Bird, Kimberly Hutton, Sandra Orr, committee chairperson.

Meeting: August 18, 2010 – Drs. Johnson, Magan, and Orr

The committee discussed the goals for the Education Department. The following is a list of reports due: PreK-K Curriculum Analysis Report (CAR), Physical Education CAR, Science CAR, Re-Approval of the Education Program by the WV Department of Education, Program Review for WVSU, and the Masters in Multicultural Instructional Leadership.

The committee discussed the proposed changes for the PreK-K endorsement and voted that they would approve the changes when the Department did. Prerequisites for Education 319 and Education 320 were discussed as well as the rationale for the changes.

The committee decided to meet face-to-face anytime discussions need to occur. When just a vote of approval was needed the committee would do that electronically.

The course changes were approved by the education department and sent to WVSU's Education Policy Committee. Course changes were approved and are now in the fall 2011 schedule.

Prior to being recommended to the Teacher Education Committee, teacher candidates go through a personal interview with the Education Department Chair at both the provisional and the full admissions level. For full admissions teacher candidates also prepare a portfolio and participate in a Senior Capstone Panel Interview with an education professor and another WVSU professor from the candidate's content specialization. Candidates must meet all the admissions requirements contained in the University Catalog and the WVSU Teacher Education Handbook.

The Teacher Education Committee met electronically in May and December 2010 to formally approve 40 teacher candidates into the teacher education program.

Teacher Education Unit received Continuing Accreditation from the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) in October 2007; the next accreditation visit will be in Spring Semester 2015. The Unit submitted Curriculum Analysis Reports for West Virginia State Department of Education approval in October, 2011, for Physical Education, Early Childhood Education and Science Education. The Unit would like to thank all who helped in this endeavor.

Teacher Education Unit submitted its Program Review to the Program Review committee in March 2011. The Unit is now working on its Re-Approval for the state of West Virginia, and would like to thank all content specialization methods faculty members for their work on this project.

Still to complete: Approval of Fall 2011 student teachers and new program in Agriculture PreK-Adult Education.