# MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY

January 23, 2019

The Academic Council met at 3:35pm on Wednesday, January 23, 2019 in Derryberry Hall Deans' Conference Room with Dr. Linda Null, Chairperson, presiding.

The following members of the council were present:

Dr. Thomas Payne Dr. Zac Wilcox Dr. Doug Bates Dr. Christy Killman Dr. Jessia Oswalt Dr. Tammy Boles Dr. Troy Smith Dr. Paul Semmes Dr. Mike Gotcher Dr. Linda Null Dr. Bruce Greene Dr. Barry Stein Dr. David Hajdik Dr. Lee Ann Shipley Dr. Douglas Airhart Dr. Chris Brown Dr. Lori Maxwell Ms. Tiffany Smith

Dr. Ismet Anitsal

Others present were: Dr. Jennifer Mabry representing Dr. Barbara Jared and Dr. Ann Hellman, Dr. Sharon Huo, Dr. Mark Stephens, and Dr. Brandon Johnson. The following members of the council were absent:

Dr. Jennifer Shank
Dr. Ann Hellman
Dr. Lisa Zagumny
Dr. Brian O'Connor
Dr. Troy Brachey
Dr. David Larimore
Dr. Christine Miller
Dr. Chris Brown

Dr. Ben Mohr Dr. Corinne Darvennes

Dr. Holly Stretz
Dr. Mary Matthews
Mr. Brad Sells
Ms. Emily Bass

Prof. Kim Winkle Ms. Katelynn Cammack

Dr. Barbara Jared

### SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

Approved the agenda

Approved the minutes of the November 14, 2018 meeting

Approved revisions to Policy 260, Requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree and Graduation

Approved revisions to Policy 261, Academic Credit from Other Institutions

Approved revisions to Policy 263, Academic Retention Standards

Approved program removal, Advanced Studies in Teaching and Learning

#### **PROCEEDINGS**

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Airhart MOVED approval and Dr. Shipley SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

# Approval of the Minutes of the November 14, 2018 Meeting

Dr. Airhart MOVED approval and Dr. Stein SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

Approved revisions to Policy 260, Requirements for a Baccalaureate Degree and Graduation Dr. Huo explained that one of the changes included the revision of the title Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Success, changing it to Vice President of Enrollment Management and Career Placement. Another change included deletion of section III.F., as per our current practice, a transfer student from a community college is required, by default, to follow the catalog in effect at the time he/she is admitted and enrolled. Additionally, the established exemption for current engineering students not having to take American History courses should also be clear to include those students who are a part of the joint TTU-ETSU engineering program, as they are also exempt from the American History courses; the change added "or ETSU-TTU Joint Engineering Program" to III.G.2. Section III.H.2.d, referenced the wrong section; this was amended to reference III.H.2.b. Lastly, "a minimum of" was added to the phrase III.H.2.c. for clarification purposes. Dr. Airhart MOVED approval and Dr. Stein SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

# Approved revisions to Policy 261, Academic Credit from Other Institutions

Dr. Huo explained that they were removing one section that explained credit from other institutions because it was duplicate of another section. A few other minor changes were made to the policy for clarity. The committee chose to add the full name, not just the acronym, for the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services in section III.H.2. On section III.M.1., the phrase "on occasion" was omitted from the statement for clarification. Dr. Gotcher MOVED approval and Dr. Anitsal SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

# Approved revisions to Policy 263, Academic Retention Standards

Dr. Huo and the group discussed adding details about how students can appeal suspension, but this was not changed. Section IV.H, referenced the wrong section; this was amended to reference IV.G. In section IV.I, the phrase "may not be counted" was found to be unclear and it was changed to say "does not count". Dr. Airhart MOVED approval and Dr. Gotcher SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

# Approved program removal, Advanced Studies in Teaching and Learning

Dr. Stephens explained that the program was eliminated and there were no more students in this program. He stated that this actually took place in 2017 but had not been updated yet. Dr. Stein MOVED approval and Dr. Killman SECONDED. APPROVED unanimously.

**Such Other Matters** 

Meeting adjourned at 4:30pm

APPROVED February 20, 2019

Elizabeth Sofia, Recorder

Documents on file with the minutes:

All documents presented at the meeting