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USF St. Petersburg Curriculum and Program Minutes of December 14, 2005

Members Present: Andy Reeves, Juanita Fountain and Bonnie Braun, vice-chair.

Members Absent: Mark Koorland, Marilyn Bartlett

Ex Officio Members Present: none Guests: Cynthia Leung, Steve Micklo

I. Call to Order

A quorum was present, therefore the Vice-chair, Bonnie Braun called the meeting to order as the guests had assumed there was a meeting and planned to present the English Ed planned program.

II. New Business

Cynthia Leung and Steve Micklo presented the Rationale for Changes to Plan of Study for Master of Arts Plan 1 in English Education.

They requested that the current plan of study be modified to more closely fit with USF Tampa's plan of study for the English Education program. There are several reasons for requesting this change:

- Many students in the program at USFSP would like to use their degree to qualify to teach English at the junior college level. That would require taking 18 credit hours in graduate English (content) courses. The proposed plan of study explicitly requires these 18 hours in English.
- Many of the courses on the current plan of study, both in English and in education, are no longer offered at the St. Petersburg campus so students need to substitute other courses for the ones on the approved plan.
- The proposed plan would be similar to that of the English Education program at USF Tampa.

They also proposed having two options to the plan of study: a general plan in English Education with 9 credit hours chosen from select graduate education courses and a plan in Reading Education with Reading Endorsement. For the second option, students would take three of the five courses required for the Reading Endorsement as part of their plan of study. If they take two additional courses, students would then be eligible for the Reading Endorsement. We would like to offer this option because students in this program are classroom teachers. A number of these teachers are being required to complete the Reading Endorsement. Our proposed plan of study would make it possible for these teachers to complete their masters in English Education while also working on fulfilling requirements for the Reading Endorsement.

After committee discussion, questions and clarifications, Andy moved that Curriculum and Program committee approve the recommended changes to the English Education MA program. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MOTIONS	APPROVAL STATUS
Motion to approve English Education Planner Program for MA with the recommended changes.	Andy made the motion
	Juanita seconded the motion
	The Committee unanimously approved.

ACTIONS (FOLLOW UP)	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE (if any)