

MINUTES OF THE BVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
NOVEMBER 2, 1989, MEETING

Members in Attendance:

John Fields, Jim Hesters, Linda Todd, Charles Woods, Ken Kennedy, Vickie Biles, Maxine Martin, Morris Herron, Katherine Kelbaugh, Donnie McGahee, Carolyn Cox, Mary Alice Griffin, Patty Anderson, John Bobell, Brent Askins, Annie Maddox, Mike Galloy, and Al McRae.

Members not in Attendance: Mary Willis, Brenda Moore and Steve Barrett.

The meeting was called to order by Maxine Martin, Chairperson, at 7:30 p.m., in Room 223-A. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read. Maxine welcomed our new members, John Fields, Jim Hesters, Linda Todd, Morris Herron and Katherine Kelbaugh.

The Committee took a tour of the new Instructional Design Laboratory (IDL). Dr. Tom Reed demonstrated the new equipment available to teachers and students.

Donnie McGahee announced that VSC will be going through the accreditation process November 13-15, 1989. Our national organization, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), will be examining our program as well as the entire School of Education.

As preparation for the review, each department developed a Knowledge Base that was consolidated by Dr. Bob Michael into an overall School of Education Knowledge Base. A copy of the Knowledge Base was distributed. Donnie McGahee reviewed our department's Knowledge Base and then discussed the School of Education's Knowledge Base.

It is important that we keep our Knowledge Base updated. NCATE will be coming back in two years and will want to see that we have changed our Knowledge Base to reflect any necessary changes in our program. For this reason, the Advisory Committee has been asked to review the Knowledge Base. In January, Patty Anderson will be sending out a survey to you asking for your opinions and suggestions. At our next Advisory Committee meeting the comments will be discussed. Your support and input is vital to our program so that we may continue to keep our curriculum relevant to the needs of the community and our students as well as ensure that we meet the requirements set forth by our State Board of Education, Board of Regents, and NCATE.

Donnie McGahee also announced that the NCATE members will be going to Lowndes H.S., as well as some other schools in the vicinity, to talk to student teachers and supervising teachers.

All members of the Advisory Committee also received copies of our program offerings. These sheets are given to our students when they enter the program. The program sheets assist both the student and the advisor in planning the student's program since all requirements are listed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.


Patricia Lynn Anderson