

READ Committee Meeting  
February 17, 2014  
Minutes

Present: Dr. Brenda Dixey, Dr. Barbara Radcliffe, Dr. Sheryl Dasinger

**Updates:**

1. Program approval
  - a. All committees have approved the program revisions requested for the M.Ed. in Reading Education.
  - b. It will go to the Senate and from what I know, will be approved; they usually take the recommendations of the other committees
  - c. all changes will be in the fall catalog

**New Business**

1. Converting to online
  - a. need approval from Reading Faculty - please send me your vote by tomorrow.
  - b. will be presented to the department at the faculty meeting on Wednesday for approval
  - c. will go before the Executive council (Drs. Radcliffe and Leech will take care of that, hopefully)
  - d. will be sent to Dr. Michael Black and he will send to the Board of Regents for approval\*\*Hopefully, this will be done in a speedy fashion as we want to advertise.
  
2. Have met with the Dean of the Graduate Office - James LaPlant
  - a. he authorized \$\$ for advertisement of the program - website, brochures, travel \$\$ to promote the program, links, purchasing mailing lists, etc.
  - b. if you have ideas, please reply to all on this email so we can look at ways to use the \$\$ wisely
  - c. if you know of schools or conferences we can advertise in, let me know

\*\*\*I think we're at a good time because the money needs to be spent and we have genuine needs. The program cannot continue to survive as it is now. We must have qualified students.

3. International Offering

- a. I am asking a question no one seems to know the answer: Can we offer a totally online program to foreign students? Seems no one has done that. This would not require visas, etc.; however, the people I've talked to thus far insist students who come here cannot be in an online program. That is true but we don't really want them here. We want them in their country, taking our online program. I will keep you updated on this happening.