

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY STAFF MEETING  
Psychology Department  
February 10, 1969

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The Psychology Department held its February meeting in EP 104 at 4 o'clock, February 10, 1969.

PRESENT: Mitchell, Rogers, Harris, Kinzie, Tacker, Williams, Long, Martoccia, Latham, Dixon, Moore, Khatena, Daugherty, Steinberg, Stapleton, Higgins, Prewett.

Due to a conflict in meetings Dr. Prewett was unable to be present at the hour the meeting convened and Dr. Mitchell presided.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was, by unanimous consent, dispensed with.

Dr. Martoccia made the following report for the Comprehensive Committee:

1. Mr. John Matson has requested to take the comprehensive examination February 28. This will be a re-test on the general-theoretical part only.

Motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed that this request be granted.

2. Mr. Dan Miller's case was brought up for consideration by the full staff. After some discussion it was remanded to the Comprehensive Committee with instructions to issue a decision. The Comprehensive Committee has full power to act in this case.

Dr. Mitchell announced that he had had only two people express interest in working on the Ad Hoc Committee to study the problems associated with the comprehensive examination. He asked for others to advise him if they would be willing to work on this Committee, and also let him know their schedule so that a convenient meeting time can be arranged.

Dr. Martoccia, reporting for the Library Committee, announced that approximately \$2000 of the funds allotted the Department for the 1968-69 year had been expended; the balance has been cancelled due to a shortage in funds at the Library. Any requests for books will be held until such time that the new budget is announced.

Dr. Mitchell stated he had received a call from Dr. Stella Daugherty saying that some students had taken the Math statistics course and also the Psychology statistics course and received credit for both courses and the Math Department felt there was too much overlap in the courses for credit to be allowed for both courses. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that psychology majors be required to take the Psychology statistics course but that the requirement of Psychology 101 for a minor be eliminated. Motion made to this effect and it passed unanimously.

Dr. Mitchell presented a course proposal--The Psychology of Cognitive Processes--Psychology 472. With the consent of the staff it was brought before the meeting without first having gone through the Curriculum Committee. Motion made and seconded that Psychology 472 be accepted with an appropriate syllabus to be written. Unanimously passed.

Dr. Khatena presented a proposal for a new course--Assessment and Development of Creative Behavior. Dr. Prewett moved that the proposal be considered before going to the Curriculum Committee. Motion unanimously passed. Dr. Prewett moved that the staff endorse the idea to develop a course in this area and Dr. Khatena was asked to develop a syllabus and course proposal for such a course--either by himself or in collaboration with other interested staff members. Unanimously passed.

Dr. Mitchell spoke about the sheet that was distributed to the staff before the meeting requesting information about any research being done by the staff members or any newsworthy information that they would like included in the North Carolina Psychological Association Bulletin. Any member having such items were instructed to notify Dr. Long. Dr. Long stated he had been asked to get this information in as soon as possible for it to be included in the forthcoming Bulletin.

Mrs. Stapleton presented a new check sheet for psychology majors and copies were distributed. It was agreed that this sheet met the requirements that would be in effect beginning with the Fall term, 1969.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30.

Jean Brown  
Jean Brown, Secretary

Charles C. Mitchell  
Charles C. Mitchell, Acting Chairman