



The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

December 18, 2008

Dr. Marilyn Troupe
Education Professional Standards Board
100 Airport Road, 3rd Floor
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Dr. Troupe,

Enclosed is Boyce College's letter of intent to develop an educator certification program. This letter contains the signature of the chair of our board of trustees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph C. Harrod". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

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November 24, 2008

Boyce College Letter of Intent to Develop an Educator Certification Program

Dear Education Professional Standards Board Members:

This letter of intent is presented by the President of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Boyce College. It is presented in compliance with *Section 3(2)(a): Developmental Process for New Teacher Educator Preparation Programs* of **16 KAR 5:010 Standards for accreditation of educator preparation units and approval of programs**, requiring the submission of an official letter of intent to begin the developmental process to establish an educator certification program.

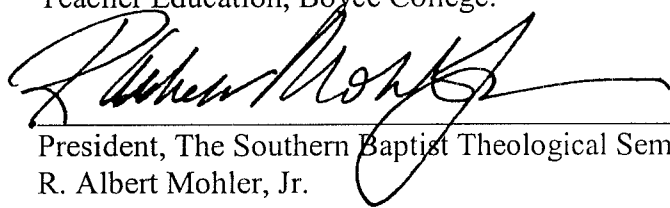
Boyce College, the undergraduate school of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, proposes to develop an educator certification unit, comprised initially of the two certifiable areas of Elementary Education (P-5), and Integrated Music Education (P-12). This program is being developed in full recognition of the requirements set forth by the national accreditation standards which include the program standards enumerated in KRS 161.028(1)b, and which are delineated in the "Professional Standards for the Accreditation of Schools, Colleges, and Departments of Education" established by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), and which includes the six accreditation standards cited in 16 KAR 5:010 Section 2. It is the intent of Boyce College to develop an educator certification unit in total alignment with all NCATE standards, the six standards of 16 KAR 5:010 Section 2, the EPSB themes, KERA Initiatives, and the content standards of the relevant national specialty program associations for Elementary Education (ACEI) and for Music Education (NASM), and which will follow strictly the guidelines as set forth by the Kentucky EPSB, the state regulatory agency for educator certification programs, in the "Accreditation of Preparation Programs Procedure" document (16 KAR 5:010).

The President of Southern Seminary and Boyce College is fully cognizant of and in agreement with all requirements and regulations pursuant to an educator certification program, and designates the Boyce educator certification unit, the Department of Teacher Education, as the primary authority and responsible unit for all professional education programs of Boyce College.

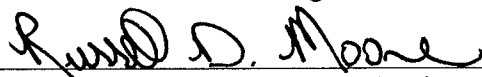
The two proposed teacher education programs of Elementary Education (P-5) and Integrated Music Education (P-12) when approved will award Bachelor of Science degrees and will be administratively located in the Boyce College campus facilities on the campus of Southern Seminary. All programs of the Boyce teacher educator certification unit will be implemented through the Department of Teacher Education under the oversight of the Department Chair and Dean.

Because Boyce College has a unique relationship with The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, the Boyce Department of Teacher Education has a unique mission as an extension of Southern Seminary's mission, not only to train certified teacher educators for K-12 public schools, but also, and primarily, to supply qualified and certified educators to Southern Baptist and other private Christian schools. It is the vision of the Boyce Teacher Education Program not only to meet the needs of the 43,000 churches of the Southern Baptist Convention for qualified teacher educators in the Southern Baptist schools, but also the needs of numerous other Christian schools who desire qualified teachers who are of the Christian faith. In addition, the vision of the Boyce Teacher Education Program includes the need to supply qualified teacher educators in the ever-increasing number of schools on the foreign mission field where 5,000 Southern Baptist missionaries serve, many of whom establish Christian schools as a means of spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ and who therefore require qualified teachers committed to the Christian faith.

This letter of intent is approved and submitted by the President, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; the Senior Vice President for Academic Administration, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; the Dean, Boyce College; the Associate Dean for Applied Studies/Department of Teacher Education, Boyce College; and the Chair of the Department of Teacher Education, Boyce College:



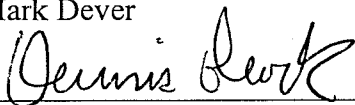
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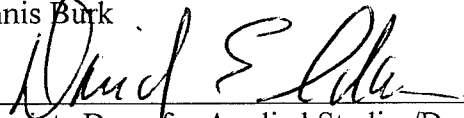
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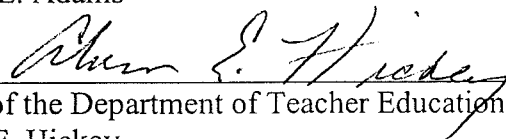
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