

Teacher Education Faculty Advisory Council meeting  
on Tuesday, April 24, 2007, 12 - 2, Webb 358

Present: Meredith James, Delar Singh, Marsha Davis, Mary-Grace Shifrin, Tim Swanson, Hari Koirala, Jeff Schaller, Jeff Trawick-Smith, Elena Tapia, Cathy Tannahill, David Stoloff, Jeanelle Day, Richard Reynolds, Leah Barbuto, Luis Córdón, Doug Kauffman, Marcia Jehnings, (Director, Social Science & Hospitality Division, Manchester Community College), Susan VanNess, Early Childhood Education, MCC, Katie Lynch, Ann R. Higginbotham, Leslie Ricklin, Ann Gruenberg, Sudha Swaminathan, Nicole Krassas, Maryanne Clifford

Thanks to Dean Kleine and Ms. Kucharski for organizing the special sandwich lunches.

- 1) After brief introductions, David Stoloff overviewed the topics and goals of the Teacher Education Faculty Advisory Council meeting, an annual lunch meeting in conjunction with the Association of Department Chairs.
- 2) Pathway to Teaching – Marcia Jehnings and Susan VanNess from Manchester Community College discussed articulation between MCC and Eastern and specifically the Pathway to Teaching planning towards formalizing the articulation of courses for elementary and secondary teacher candidates.
- 3) Proposed prerequisites for Elementary Education aligned with content standards for Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI) – Jeanelle Day discussed the proposed prerequisites designed to meet the ACEI standards. Cathy Tannahill explained the goals of the proposed EDU 250, COM 250, CSC 250 sequence as a prerequisite in educational technology. The group discussed the potential number of courses and needed sections for these prerequisites.
- 4) BS in Secondary Education – Leslie Ricklin discussed the proposal to award a BS in Secondary Education for those who complete the certification program. There was further discussion on the implications for advisement of teacher education programs at Eastern.
- 5) NCATE - Fall 2008 schedule – David Stoloff discussed a time-table for preparing for the NCATE (National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education) in Fall 2008. Three new faculty members have been hired to help in this assessment process – one in Research & Assessment and two in Reading/Language Arts.
- 6) Open discussion - more information on PRAXIS II pass rates and sub-scores would be useful for the curriculum revision process. Tim Swanson, Chair of Chairs, discussed the role of the Association of Department Chairs in the teacher education faculty advisory council and on other matters. David Stoloff asked that participants

continue discussing these topics and others individually, in small groups, and via email as we prepare for curriculum revision and other changes. Marcia Jehnings and Susan VanNess met with subject area representatives to discuss articulation between MCC and Eastern.

Please let David Stoloff know if you have any corrections or comments on these notes.

Thank you for your participation.

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