

Elementary Teacher Education Senate Meeting
3:30-5:00 Thursday, April 18, 2019

SEC 303

Minutes

Present:

Denise Talkason (Elementary Education), Rick Knivsland (Art), Chepina Rumsey (ALT-Math) Louren Kilburg (Student), Carolyn Weber (Middle Level), Betsy Zan (Early Childhood), Sarah Vander Zanden (Lit Ed), Cathy Miller (Faculty Chair), Chad Christopher (Coordinator of Secondary Education), JD Cryer (Coordinator of Elementary Education), Merrilee Betts (Teacher Practitioner)

Absent:

Allison Barness (Clinical), Scott Ellison (Professional Sequence), Kimberly Hurley (Health/PE), Chris Kliewer (Special Education)

Welcome

Approval of February 28 and March 14, 2019 Senate/Joint Senate Meeting Minutes (Electronic)

Old Business

TK20/Watermark--Update

- JD explained that over the course of the spring semester consultants from TK20/Watermark provided four presentations to: faculty, students, clinical faculty and program staff/advisors. On April 22 a team of faculty is visiting Iowa State University to learn about their experience with TK20/Watermark.

NCTQ--Update

- Items were collected and submitted by JD and Chad. Syllabi from LIT ED, Math, English, TEACH 3128 and Student Teaching were sent

Elevating Educators: Educator of the Game--Update

- All teacher education students were asked to nominate in February. Students nominated in March. Committee selected honorees in April. Athletics and Communications/PR will be making videos of honorees in May

AACTE Proposal Writing

- Proposals due May 29.
- Proposal writing collaboration and help available the coming weeks

New Business

Data Day Reflection

- Both student teaching and Alumni and Employer Data were analyzed at Data Day

- Questions from Data Day:
 - Are UNI candidates using multiple assessment tool?
 - How is assessment consistently graded by Cooperating Teachers across content?
 - Can data be pull out for minor and departments?
 - There is a problem with double major students in getting data.
 - Merrilee shared that as CT she gives an overall mark on assessment.
 - Assessment is something we should investigate more and get connected with across the program.
 - We could have students be a part of PLC at the schools to see how data is being used.
 - Need to ask Assessment Coordinator about getting data by minor and dual majors.

Spring IACTE Update

- “Recruiting and Retaining Teachers for Iowa” was the theme.
- Recruitment and Retention Information presented:
 - Still a shortage in specialized areas
 - Over a third teachers leave after 3 years.
 - Only 37% of students are willing to relocate after graduation
 - ISEA- Believes that one reason impacting retention is a lack of support for teachers.
 - Mental Health and Care is an issue
 - Hard to attract and keep teacher is rural area.
 - How do we connect our students with hiring districts
- Learning Progression to make a Career Path, a Continuing Growth Model over 50 percent of school will be using this.
- Ethics Continuum to help with candidate and ethics by using videos.

UNI Teacher Education External Advisor Board Meeting Update

- Agenda items: Governance Model, Ed Prep Reinvention, Mental Health and Trauma Informed Care, Recruitment and Retention
- Thoughts from board members:
 - Candidates need more special education training and differentiated instruction.
 - Mental Health is a big problem. Should candidates have CPI training?
 - Mandatory Reporter of Child Abuse Training
 - Still need it. Many one to one situations.
 - Just get the child abuse part done to protect PK-12 grade students.
 - We should do the ISU version for free.

Announcements and Other

Legislation Update

- Praxis II Changes
 - Department of Ed will set Praxis II passing scores

- 1 year non-renewable waiver license (with specific requirements)
 - Student did complete a program
 - Student took the test but did not pass
 - Job offer comes after a documented diligent search
- Peace officer or retired peace officer can teach driving part of drivers education without teaching license

Betsy Zan made a motion to re-examine the By Laws to have less meetings than 5 per semester. Seconded by Sarah Vander Zanden. Motion passed.

Important Dates

May 9--Elementary Senate Meeting (303 SEC)