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U N I V E R S I T Y

Educator Preparation Provider Executive Committee

April 22, 2021 | 2:30 p.m. | Zoom

I. Call to order

Dr. Stefanie Livers called to order the regular meeting of the Educator Preparation Provider Executive Committee at 2:30 p.m. on April 22, 2021.

Present: Chris Craig, Karen Engler, Stefanie Livers, Patrick Sullivan, Barri Tinkler

II. Approval of minutes

The March 25, 2021 meeting minutes stand.

III. Discussion Items

1. Unit update: Dr. Chris Craig

- a) The approved EPP bylaws were forwarded to Chris Herr, Faculty Senate Chair. They will go forward to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee today and, if approved, go before Faculty Senate in fall 2021.
- b) Dr. Craig believes we should follow the lead of Faculty Senate in terms of the EPPC meeting format for fall 2021. The committee agrees. Combining in person and Zoom options may increase attendance.
- c) Educator preparation has had some challenges with student educators and cultural and racial differences. General scenarios could be shared and solutions discussed with Dr. Kennedy Ongaga and Dr. Judith Martinez facilitating a training. We could take advantage of faculty sharing their knowledge and experiences. We might think about doing this for the annual University Supervisor meeting and EPPC.
- d) We will add this as an agenda item for the June EPP Executive Committee meeting.

2. COE update: Dr. Barri Tinkler

- a) DESE sent an email stating that the elimination of the GPA requirement is effective May 15. This aligns well with our certification timeline.
- b) CIS is tomorrow. Travis Marler and Ximena Uribe-Zarain are presenting the new data management system to replace Taskstream.
 - i. We need to agree on common benchmarks for the intermediary gates. It would make voting on the issue easier. A BSED meeting would be a good forum but they do not meet until September. We may consider getting the program coordinators together.
 - ii. There is a program meeting for CEFS next Wednesday to see if they are in agreement on anything.
 - iii. Dr. Tinkler doesn't think there is an urgency but we can schedule a meeting if Dr. Engler wants to. However, we can't get anything done before May 7.
- c) There may be a legislative update about an amendment on a bill regarding COVID funds. Dr. Tinkler will follow up with Ryan DeBouef.
 - i. MACTE used to have a legislative liaison. They are electing a new one. Someone may be serving as interim. Dr. Livers will email MACTE for the legislative contact information.

3. Secondary Education Update: Dr. Karen Engler

- a) Daniel Hellman was nominated for MACTE Treasurer.
- b) Options are still being considered for the Director of Secondary Education position. It is not yet known who will be in the position.

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IV. Old Business

1. Two nominees were submitted for the 2021-2022 EPPC Chair-elect: Karen Engler and Heidi Hadley. Dr. Engler may not be available if she remains as Director of Secondary Education. Dr. Livers will contact Heidi Hadley to see if she is interested and let the committee know.

V. New Business

1. Dr. Livers shared an email from Dr. Fatih Benzer, BSED Secondary Education Oversight Committee Chair. The BSED committee met on April 9 and made a motion to move forward to EPPC a proposal to change compliance requirements to add a COVID-19 vaccine for all pre-service teachers completing a practicum or that have any contact with public schools. The vote was 11 out of 19 in favor. Dr. Livers opened the floor for discussion.
 - i. This would need to be reviewed by university legal counsel. Dr. Livers will forward the proposal to Dr. Craig. Dr. Craig will take it to legal to get feedback and a statement.

Dr. Livers adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Vicki Kramer