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***EPP BSED Secondary Education Oversight Committee
Meeting Minutes***

January 28, 2022

I. Call to order

Dr. Fatih Benzer called to order the meeting of the BSED Secondary Oversight Committee at 1:00 p.m. on January 28, 2022 via Zoom.

Present: Brandon Aigner, Fatih Benzer, Karen Engler, Heidi Hadley, Kurt Killion, Junyoung Kim, Kewman Lee, Carol Maples, Holly Metcalf, Michelle Morgan, Jessica Nelson, Sarah Nixon, Julia Novakowski, Juli Panza, Gay Ragan, Tonia Tinsley

Guest: Jamie Atkinson

II. Approval of minutes

December 3, 2021 meeting minutes stand.

III. Reports

1. EPPC Updates as discussed on January 19, 2022
 - a. All curricular proposals were approved.
 - b. There were no committee reports.
 - c. The Springfield Public Schools memo was signed on December 9th. There will be two pathways for education students.
 - d. Dr. Sullivan reminded EPPC that there is an appreciation luncheon on February 22nd.
2. Secondary Education – Karen Engler
 - a. Some program curricular changes for GPA are not yet showing in degree audit but it is being addressed and expect completion later in spring.
 - b. Dr. Engler welcomed Dr. Sarah Nixon as the newest member to BSED. Dr. Nixon is the Program Coordinator for Vocational Business Education.
3. Director, Professional Education Services – Juli Panza
 - a. The MEES went out for spring 2022 to cooperating teachers and university supervisors.
 - b. It was shared during a DESE webinar that the new MoGEA and three MoCA will be switching over in August 2022.
 - c. A career fair is scheduled for February 24th.
 - d. Transfer VIP Day is on February 25th. Juli will send a communications requesting volunteers.
 - e. We have a student interested in conducting research on advisement. The student would like to survey BSED elementary and secondary education majors after receiving IRB approval and going through proper protocols for the project.

IV. New Business

1. Dr. Benzer shared that not all members voted on the GPA changes for teacher education and encouraged all voting members to participate when the opportunity is there.

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2. Dr. Jamie Atkinson attended today's meeting to discuss concerns about programs eliminating EDC 350. It feels as if foundations is getting marginalized for our students. Dr. Atkinson understands the pressure programs face in reducing hours. A full-fledged foundations course is extremely important for student teachers. Please figure out a way to keep EDC 350 in our programs. Some programs still have EDC 350 but others that have eliminated it, please consider adding it back. An option might be to consider adding it as general education course. Dr. Atkinson requested feedback from the committee. The committee discussed the impact this has on students, asked for clarification on some things, and discussed possible options. Dr. Atkinson will take the feedback back to the faculty.
3. Dr. Aigner brought a concern to the committee regarding the certification process and BGS/ABCTE. The intent of the general studies degree is to provide a pathway for graduation for students that have attended MSU for a time, possibly trying different programs. In the last couple of months, Dr. Aigner (who serves on the BGS committee) has noticed an increase in students using the ABCTE pathway. ABCTE is supposed to be for students where traditional programs don't make sense. Dr. Aigner has brought the issue up at BGS but they don't appear to share the concern. ABCTE does not require student teaching and it is not the best alternative for certification. Dr. Aigner would like this committee's feedback and perspective. The committee shares Dr. Aigner's concerns. Dr. Benzer will bring the issue to Dr. Sullivan, EPPC Chair, to see if further discussion is needed at an upcoming EPPC meeting.
4. Dr. Killion expressed concern about the number of students on the secondary education admit list that have not completed the online Professional Dispositions List and/or the Teacher Contract. Dr. Engler no longer attends SEC 302 classes to talk to students about items that need to be completed before being admitted to teacher Education. Dr. Novakowski was made aware of the number of students with missing items and will do a better job of communicating to the SEC 302 instructors that students need to complete these items.

VI. Old Business

1. Dr. Jessica Nelson has expressed an interest as BSED Chair-elect. Please consider the nomination. We will vote later this year.
2. Dr. Engler reviewed the draft revisions to the Graduating BSED, Non-Certifiable Approval Process form. The form will be used across all education programs so more revisions are needed. A subcommittee will review the document from the standpoint of all teacher education to ensure the form reflects that piece.

Dr. Fatih Benzer adjourned the meeting at 2:36 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Vicki Kramer