

# Educator Preparation Provider Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

January 31, 2018 | 3:30 p.m. | Carrington 209

#### I. Call to order

Andrew Homburg called to order the regular meeting of the Educator Preparation Provider Executive Committee at 3:28 p.m. on January 31, 2018 in Carrington 209.

Present: Chris Craig, Karen Engler, Adam Harbaugh, Andrew Homburg, James Sottile

Guest: Gayle Runke

## II. Approval of minutes

The minutes from January 10, 2018 meeting were approved. Minutes stand.

### **III.** Discussion Items

- 1. Dr. Homburg asked Gayle Runke to speak to the process of requiring students to pass the MoCA before student teaching if EPPC votes to do so. The committee is looking for options to accommodate students during a transition.
  - a) All exceptions must go through the Exceptions Committee including COE student requests. The committee wants decisions to be equitable for all students across the unit.
    - In the past, students taking and not passing Praxis were allowed to take and extra course as a
      replacement. The committee needs to know the rate of non-passers to know best what they will be
      dealing with.
    - ii. Dr. Craig is not bringing this issue to EPPC until we have data. Dr. Sottile is working on the data with Kim Dubree and will send it to the Executive Committee and include Gayle Runke. The data will include the first, second, and third attempts so there is a clear picture of the issue.
    - iii. Dr. Craig notes that it does not make sense for students to attempt the MoCA without first taking their content courses.
    - iv. During the Pearson Vue phone conference last week they mentioned that more and more institutions are requiring students to pass MoCA before student teaching. Pearson also assured MSU that they can coordinate test windows with content courses. MSU wants to ensure that students are testing at the optimum time. Program Coordinators can define the testing window.
    - v. Ms. Runke proposed that the same mechanism used for attempting the MoCA before student teaching proposal was passed.
      - A semester extension could be offered for the first wave of students. In this case students would apply to the Exceptions Committee for a waiver since there is not enough time for transition. The next semester the MoCA would be tied to their grade in student teaching. In this case the student would sign a contract that they will pass the MoCA while student teaching. If the MoCA is not passed the student receives a grade of incomplete.
    - vi. Dr. Craig would like to introduce passing the MoCA requirement before student teaching at the February EPPC for the council to review. There is discussion about the timeline of catalog submissions for fall 2018-2019.
    - vii. Ms. Runke reiterated that, if the proposed MoCA requirement goes into effect, students request a waiver for fall 2018 and a contract in spring 2019 requiring that MoCA be passed while student teaching. If it isn't, the student will receive an incomplete. Dr. Sottile confirmed that students receiving incompletes in student teaching are not counted as completers and so would not be part of the APR. However, the new recency rule requires students to complete the program within two years so the student must pass the MoCA and receive a grade for student teaching within that window.

- viii. MSU's Title II funding is tied to this and there is a strong possibility that performance funding will also be tied to this. The number of attempts to pass MoCA may not matter for APR but that may not be the case for performance funding.
  - ix. Passing the MoCA before student teaching proposal will be the main agenda item for next week's EPPC. Dr. Sottile will not be present so Dean Hough will attend in his place to discuss the data.
- b) An issue exists regarding a curricular proposal and what is within the purview of the EPP Screening Committee. Dr. Homburg will contact the author of the proposal to discuss and clarify. Bylaw language for Screening Committee responsibilities may need to be revisited.
- 2. College of Education: David Hough (absent)
  - a) No report
- 4. Assessment update: James Sottile
  - a) Dr. Sottile will discuss the Exit Survey data at the February EPPC. Workshops to train Program Coordinators on how to pull data from Taskstream will be scheduled.
- 5. Secondary Education Update: Karen Engler
  - a) Dr. Engler brought up at the last BSEd meeting that holds are put on students if they do not complete their Taskstream items via the certification office. The certification office representative stated that they do not do this. Dr. Sottile clarified that his office places the hold on the student. The certification office would like to have a statement added to the catalog explaining this to students. Dr. Engler supports the language being added to the catalog. Dr. Sottile suggests that we us "comprehensive data" instead of Taskstream due to possible change of name. Dr. Engler and Dr. Homburg will work on the language change.
  - b) It was decided that TESOL data would be added to the appendices in the CAEP report. However, that would apply only to grant students while TESOL also has non-grant students. A meeting will be scheduled with Dr. A. Hellman to discuss.
  - c) There is an issue that program data is affected by non-certified students that are in the program but do not take program courses. An example is post baccalaureate students. Secondary programs have small numbers of students so one student can skew the scores. Dr. Engler will bring this up at the Dean's meeting at the MACTE conference in March.
    - The code in Banner needs to be changed. Currently, all students in the program, whether seeking certification or not, are coded the same. Dr. Sottile will arrange a meeting for this to be addressed. Dr. Engler will speak with Dean Hough about taking this to the state level and reporting back to the committee.

## IV. Old Business

1. MACTE membership consists of six MSU staff and faculty that have voting privileges. Dr. Sottile, Dr. Engler, Dr. Pearman, Kim Dubree, Ximena Uribe-Zarain, and Travis Marler are the current MACTE members.

#### V. New Business

1. At the January EPPC meeting it was stated that MoPTA may be terminated. The recommendation was made to MABEP. The state board must approve and they do not have a quorum at this time. There must be a replacement program. Dean Hough is advocating to extend the MEES.

Andrew Homburg adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Vicki Kramer