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U N I V E R S I T Y

Educator Preparation Provider Executive Committee

March 25, 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 March 25, 2021.

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

II. Approval of minutes

The February 25, 2021 meeting minutes stand.

III. Discussion Items

1. Unit update: Dr. Chris Craig

- a) Dr. Craig called for a Secondary Education Program Coordinator's meeting for tomorrow to convey the status of developments regarding the Director of Secondary Education. Dr. Engler's dean needs her in EDHH full time so Dr. Engler cannot continue as the Director of Secondary Education.
 - i. A few years ago there was a reorganization in COE and BSED became a quasi-department. Dr. Craig was the first Director of Secondary Education as an Associate Provost in COE. Evelyn Maxwell served as the next Director while Dr. Craig was a Drury. Upon Dr. Craig's return, Denise Frederick was in the position part time. Dr. Rebecca Woodard was next and maintained her full role in Kinesiology and worked part time as Director of Secondary Education. Debra Price worked in the position part time after Dr. Woodard. Next, MSU had a candidate search and Dr. Karen Engler was appointed to the position. With that came an MOU specifying compensation for a twelve-month period. The compensation and the buyout allowed Dr. Engler to work in the position full time and in a more substantive way. Without the buyout, Dr. Engler will have to cut back and there will need to be a redistribution of the work. Dr. Engler has yet to decide if she will continue in the position. This committee needs to process this information and provide feedback that will help Dr. Craig better communicate to the Program Coordinators at tomorrow's meeting.
 - ii. Director of Secondary Education has not been a uniform position until Dr. Engler was appointed. It's not clear what Secondary Education will look like if Dr. Engler has to cut back. Beginning August, Dr. Engler would have to teach a full load and would receive no further compensation for Director of Secondary Education.
 - iii. Director of Secondary Education has been a full time responsibility for Dr. Engler. The Dean of CHHS hired a visiting professor for three years and the three years are at an end and it cannot be extended.
 - iv. There is no support for the Director of Secondary Education to be a full time position. It will always be an additional load. Dr. Engler has taken the role to a different level. It is not a sustainable workload with a full teaching load.
 - v. The committee discussed some redistribution of the responsibilities and possible course release as a possible option. Dr. Craig is willing to see if any kind of release might be available. But Dr. Engler is not going to stay in the position if she is unable to do it wholeheartedly. Maybe a better balance is in order with Dr. Craig and Dr. Tinkler covering the state.
 - vi. Dr. Engler is a connection between COE and Secondary Education. We want to maintain that relationship and it will be more difficult without Dr. Engler as that bridge.
 - vii. It is not intended to have a decision from the Program Coordinator meeting tomorrow. The intention is to inform them we are grappling with this issue and may need to think more creatively about supporting them.

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2. COE update: Dr. Barri Tinkler
 - a) CIS came up with some GPA recommendations for EPPC:
 - i. There is a recommendation to remove the cumulative GPA for the introduction to methods course.
 - ii. There is a recommendation to remove the GPA for recommendation for certification. (This is in our catalog but it is not a DESE requirement.)
 - iii. Programs should have some ownership over decisions to admit to the Teacher Education program.
 - iv. COE is meeting to discuss the recommendations and possible common requirements. BSED should also discuss common requirements. Programs may want common requirement but we don't want them to feel forced if it doesn't work with their individual program.
 - v. The 3.0 GPA requirement for student teaching will need to be voted on as well. The current requisites need to be reviewed.
 - vi. Dr. Tinkler will forward the recommendations to Vicki Kramer to be sent with the April 7 EPPC meeting notice.
 - b) Travis Marler and Ximena Uribe-Zarain are attending the April EPPC to present a new system to replace Taskstream.
3. Secondary Education Update: Dr. Karen Engler
 - a) Dr. Engler shared that's several DESE committee positions are open for nominations.
 - b) DESE has not yet discussed what experiences will be required for fall 2021. DESE will share out once they have a decision. Dr. Engler plans to share with DESE that there have been positive student responses with the revamping of field requirements due to the pandemic and would like to continue under certain circumstances. Connecting with our partners would be a good piece to convey.
 - c) The fall MACTE Conference will probably be virtual. Nominations for MACTE positions must happen by the end of March. Dr. Tinkler spoke with Dr. Kathy Pearman about this since Dr. Pearman is on the MACTE board.

IV. Old Business

1. Dr. Tonia Tinsley declined the nomination for EPPC Chair elect for 21-22. We need to find a nominee since EPPC is supposed to vote by secret ballot at the April meeting.

V. New Business

1. No new business.

Dr. Livers adjourned the meeting at 3:20 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by: Vicki Kramer