

Educator Preparation Advisory Council (EPAC)

Agenda

April 21, 2016

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Attendees: Hilary Choate, John Choate, Karen Clark, Dave Danner, Kimberly Dickerson, Walter Holik, Janet Ischar, Daniel Martinez, John Miazga, Wendy Sklenarik, Mary Snowden, Jim Summerlin, Dave Danner, Lori Barton, Alvin New, Eddie Salcido

1. Call to order: 4:02 p.m.
2. Introductions
3. Advisory Committee Training Power Point from TEA
 - a. Review of Power Point
 - b. Discussion
 - i. No further discussion was opened
4. TExES Updates
 - a. Core EC6 and Core 4-8
 - i. Must pass all domains of the test
 1. ELAR
 2. Math
 3. Science
 4. Social Studies
 5. Health/Fine Arts/PE (only for EC6)
 - ii. Current Certification Ranges for TEA
 1. EC-6
 2. 4-8
 3. 7-12
 4. EC-12
 - b. 5 test taking limit
 - i. Candidates now have five (5) attempts to successfully pass the TExES Exam.
 - ii. Candidates can appeal to TEA if they have not successfully passed in five attempts.
5. Accreditation Updates
 - a. State
 - i. Currently accredited by the Texas Education Agency

b. National

- i. April 2017 ASU will have an accreditation visit from our national accreditor Council for Accreditation for Educator Preparation CAEP.

6. Curriculum & Instruction Updates

- a. Online programs are very successful
- b. School Counselor program has 600+ students enrolled
- c. Faculty make contact with candidates every week
- d. Currently looking at moving some programs to Competency Based Programs
 - i. Change is slow, so there is a lot of work to be done in this area
 - 1. Question: Does that effect funding?
 - a. Coordinating board acknowledges competency based programs
 - ii. Competency based allows for students to have life issues (i.e. illness) complete a program at their pace.
 - iii. ASU is re-writing their current Incomplete policy

7. Teacher Education Updates

- a. No Updates

8. Questions

- a. No Questions

9. Stakeholders Discussion

- a. Some stakeholders would like to see certification testing be implemented before Clinical Teaching
- b. Initial teacher preparation is seeing declining enrollment across levels
- c. Why are so many students going into alternative routes to certification?
- d. Veterans enrollment is increasing for entrance into an EPP
 - i. Numbers decline at completion of program
- e. Dr. Dickerson is looking at different avenues for recruitment of students seeking certification.
- f. Some stakeholders would like to see more teacher support for those just starting in the profession.
- g. How are we going to encourage people to become teachers?

- i. 75% of students wanting to be teachers have family members that are educators.
- h. August 3 and 4 West Texas Legislative Summit
 - i. ASU CJ Davidson Ballroom
 - ii. Focus this year is Education

Dismissal at 5:24

**EPAC Sign-in
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Name	Affiliation	Signature
Agan, Tia	ASU, Field Experience Advisor	
Barton, Lori	SAISD, Elementary Principal	Lori Barton
Choate, Hilary	SAISD, High School Teacher	Hilary Choate
Choate, John	CISD, High School Principal	John Choate
Clark, Karen	SAISD, Elementary Principal	Karen Clark
Danner, Dave	SAISD, Elementary Principal	Dave Danner
Dickerson, Kimberly	ASU, Department of Teacher Education Chair	Kimberly Dickerson
Holik, Walter	WISD, Superintendent	Walter Holik
Ischar, Janet	SAISD, Elementary Teacher	Janet Ischar
Martinez, Daniel	ASU, Graduate Advisor	Daniel Martinez
Miazga, John	ASU, College of Education Dean	John Miazga
New, Alvin	San Angelo, Public Representative	Alvin New
Salcido, Eddie	SAISD, Director of Human Resources	Eddie Salcido
Sklenarik, Wendy	ASU, Director of Educator Support Services	Wendy Sklenarik
Snowden, Mary	ASU, Certification Advisor	Mary Snowden
Stephenson, Rex	SAISD, Middle School Teacher	
Strube, Laura	Region XV, Associate Director	
Summerlin, Jim	ASU, Department of Curriculum & Instruction Chair	Jim Summerlin
West, Pam	Region XV, Financial Specialist	