

## **Educator Preparation Advisory Council (EPAC)**

### **April 23, 2015**

Start: 4:05

Attendees:

Daniel Martinez, Tia Agan, Walter Holik, Christine Pruitt, Wendy Storms, John Miazga, Laura Strube, Jim Summerlin, Linda Lucksinger, Hillary Choate and John Choate

#### **Teacher Education: Linda Lucksinger**

- Thank you for the wonderful school partnerships
- Our candidates get excellent field experiences on your campuses
- Teacher Education is in the process of hiring new faculty for the fall

#### **Curriculum and Instruction: Jim Summerlin**

- Programs are growing, especially Guidance and Counseling
- 806 active students to date
- Curriculum and Instruction is in the process of hiring new faculty for the fall

#### **EPIC: Wendy Storms**

- Advising Center is open M-F 8-5, and is a resource for anyone in the community
- Available to answer all certification questions

#### **College of Education**

- Dual Credit
  - Master of Arts in C&I: Dual Credit
    - 18 hours in C&I
    - 18 hours in content
  - Schools gets money from ASU then can intern disperse to teachers
  - Very good and beneficial to students
    - students take dual credit courses for free
- New Evaluations System (T-Tess/P-Tess)
  - Majority of pilot districts picked only teacher evaluation to start with
  - Suggested evaluations, not mandated
    - Teacher system must be approved by TEA
- New Teacher Evaluation
  - Ballinger, Brownwood and Bronte (Pilot Schools)
  - Del Rio and San Saba (now added to pilot)
- New Principal Evaluation
  - Ballinger (pilot year)
- ASU wants input from districts on what needs to be added to help with these evaluation systems

### **Issues/Accolades**

- Great clinical teachers (Wall)
- Deficient in bilingual teachers (ASU)
- Poll students for Bilingual Training at Region Center
- How are we doing when it comes to Science Teachers?
  - A need across the district (Region XV)
  - Lost two science teachers, four applicants total (Wall)
- A need for technology teachers (Wall)
- Shortage of Math teachers
- Concerned about EC6 CORE
  - Math has seemed to be most troublesome because it is timed, not enough time
  - ELAR concerns, but they have had enough time

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