

Educator Preparation Advisory Council (EPAC)
August 18, 2015
CARR 290

Start:

4:10pm

Attendees:

John Miazga, Wendy Storms, Tia Agan, Jim Summerlin, Kimberly Dickerson, Eddie Salcido, John Choate, Daniel Martinez, Janet Ischar, and Hillary Choate

Advisory Committee Training Video from TEA

- EPAC is a TEA mandate.
- Must meet a minimum of twice a year
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Items to discuss

- Number of current candidates
- Admission Criteria
- Curriculum
- Program and Curriculum Evaluation
- Input on Field Experiences
- Field Supervision
- Hiring trends in the districts

EPP Accreditation Standards

1. TExES Scores
2. Principal Evaluations
3. P-12 Student Success
4. Candidate Surveys

Accreditation Status of EPP's

- Accredited: Not Rated
- Accredited
- Accredited: Warned
- Accredited: Probation
- Not Accredited: Revoked

Questions

- ESL, how big of a factor is that in hiring a candidate?
 - BIG need (SAISD)
 - Not a big need (Christoval ISD), but knows this is a need in surrounding districts
- Possible Legislative Changes
 - Behavior Interventionist on each campus
 - Videotaping of any student without parental permission

- Alternate Graduation
 - If student does not pass end of course exams they can still graduate if a select committee agrees
- Is ASU thinking of going to one year clinical teaching?
 - We are looking into the possibilities of a two semester placement of candidates, but no decision will be made at this time.

District Concerns

- Trying to find qualified staff
 - Spanish is an issue, since they can only test every three months
- Starting pay is an issue
- Code of Ethics
 - Inappropriate relationships are on the rise
 - Teachers cannot seem to connect the language of the statute to everyday happenings
- Work ethic
 - Seen a decrease in work ethic of candidates over the past few years

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