

FACTE Committee

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

**Minutes of the Meeting
2:00-3:30 pm
Room 311**

Attending: Leticia Alvarez, Mary Burbank, Jan Dole, Peggy McCandless, Cathy Nelson, Irene Yoon

1. Lesson Observations—
 - a. Going well
 - b. No questions
2. Fitness to Teach Policy
 - a. Mary presented a draft from legal counsel.
 - b. It was felt that this draft was okay, but lacked the level of specificity of the draft the group came up with.
 - c. The group wanted more specific kinds of behavior that represented what the policy was for. The counsel draft was quite vague.
 - d. Mary will revise the draft, show it to counsel and then get back to the FACTE Committee about what he says.
3. Current documentation on the part of the UITE
 - a. There are many constituencies that the UITE must be accountable to, and this is taking up a lot of work and time.
 - i. Examples, US News and World Report
 1. UITE preparing updates and comments related to questions the report brought up
 - ii. New CAEP
 1. TEAC and NCATE are in the process of combining
 2. TEAC + NCATE = CAEP
 3. CAEP working with Pearson and ETS for teacher evaluation products—like portfolios or praxis
 - a. They are in competition with one another
 4. UITE made extensive documentation via portfolios for past TEAC, and now these may not be used in new evaluations in coming years.

5. Hard to keep up with constantly changing goal lines, forms and tests
 - iii. UITE also accountable to Utah Effective Teaching Standards
 1. These are used by the districts and state
 2. Doing CAEP will satisfy the Utah Effective Teaching Standards
4. Replace child development course
 - a. Peggy noted that Family and Consumer Studies (FCS) is no longer teaching the child development course. John Funk suggested developing a new course to take its place.
 - b. Jan pointed out that the new literacy person, Claire Son, used to be in FCS and may have even taught that course. She would like to discuss teaching the course with Claire who has expertise in child development.
 - c. Decided that course needs to cover ages 0-13. Jan will discuss with Claire and get back to Peggy.

**Next Meeting
Tuesday, December 10, 2013
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