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Council for Teacher Education
Minutes of the May 21, 2020 Meeting

A meeting of the Council for Teacher Education was held at 101 Pleasant Street, Concord, NH at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 21, 2020. Due to the COVID-19 state of emergency, the meeting was held telephonically:

Chris Ward, Co-Chair - Graduate Studies Coordinator, Upper Valley Educators Institute
Kelly Moore Dunn, Co-Chair Director of Teacher Education, NHTI Concord
Laura Stoneking, Administrator, Bureau of Educator Support and Higher Education
Tom Schram, University of New Hampshire
Steve Bigaj, Keene State College
Brian Walker, Coordinator for Clinical Experiences at Plymouth State University
Cindy Gallagher, Franklin Pierce University
Michael Fournier, Superintendent, Bedford School District
Bryan Belanger, Southern New Hampshire University
Suzanne Canali-Woodcock, New England College
Kenneth Darsney, Franklin Middle School
Nick Marks, Granite State College
Diane Monico, Program Director of Education Programs, Rivier University
Tom Julius, Antioch University New England
Laura Wasielewski, Saint Anselm College

The following members were unable to attend:

Nicole Lemire, Pinkerton Academy
Nicole Heimarck, NH Alliance for College and Career Readiness
Bonnie Painchaud, Merrimack, Reeds Ferry Elementary School

Meeting participation also included:

Kimberly Wilson, Bureau of Credentialing, Department of Education
Bill Ross, Bureau of Credentialing, Department of Education
Mary Earick, Plymouth State University

Co-Chair Chris Ward called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and welcomed members.

1. WELCOME

Co-Chair Chris Ward welcomed the members and did roll call attendance. Co-Chair Ward also reminded everyone that all votes taken as a meeting which any member participates electronically must be by roll call vote.

2. CTE MEMBERSHIP

Co-Chair Chris Ward informed the group that he and Co-Chair Kelly Moore-Dunn are willing to continue as Co-Chairs for the next year.

Discussion regarding the Secretary role vs. a Co-Chair and the statute requirements. The group also discussed the need to update the statute.

Co-Chair Ward asked that any member who would like to nominate or self-nominate do so by the end of the meeting.

3. SAINT ANSELM – Extension request

Laura Wasielewski spoke to the council regarding Saint Anselm's extension request. Laura explained that the program review Co-chairs suggested to align the Computer Science program with their other twelve programs, to avoid multiple visits and address all the programs at the same time.

MOTION- Diane Monico made a motion to extend Saint Anselm's Computer Science program for five months to expire on August 30, 2021. Tom Schram seconded the motion.
Motion passed. Abstained, Laura Wasielewski

4. PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY – Extension request

Mary Earick presented Plymouth State University's (PSU) request to extend their five new Science programs to expire on July 2022. Mary explained that Plymouth State University received a one-year extension because they were waiting on their CAEP accreditation decision. Since then Plymouth State University has been granted CAEP accreditation with no stipulations or probations. Mary reported that the University hopes to bring these five new Science programs to a normal cycle.

Discussion regarding CAEP accreditation and probation.

MOTION- Kelly Moore-Dunn made a motion to extend Plymouth State University's five Science programs from July 2020 to July 2022. Diane Monico seconded the motion.
Motion passed. Abstained, Brian Walker, and Ken Darsney.

5. PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY – Option 4

Laura Stoneking informed the group of Plymouth State University's eleven initial teacher preparation programs that are currently conditionally approved until June 2020. Laura reported that last month Plymouth State University received a one-month extension from the State Board of Education requiring assurances. The eleven programs were extended until June 30, 2020. Plymouth State University is requesting the eleven programs go forward for an option 4 review to the State Board of Education.

Discussion regarding Option 4 and CAEP accreditation took place.

MOTION- Suzanne Canali-Woodcock made a motion to recommend to the State Board of Education full approval for Plymouth State University's eleven initial teacher preparation programs approved by CAEP for a full term ending December 2024. Steve Bigaj seconded the motion.
Motion passed. Abstained, Brian Walker, and Ken Darsney.

6. PLYMOUTH STATE UNIVERSITY – Option 3

Laura Stoneking informed the group of Plymouth State University's four advanced programs; Special Education Administrator, School Principal, School Superintendent, and Library Media Specialist with expiration dates of May 31 2020. Last month Plymouth State University received a one-month extension from the State Board of Education until June 30, 2020. Laura reported that Plymouth State University will return to the State Board of Education in June to discuss the extension. Laura informed the Council that in the meantime Plymouth state University has submitted their Option 1 (a CTE and Department of Education review).

Mary Earick reported that the four programs have been national accredited through NCATE. Mary explained that the four advanced programs are on a different calendar as the teacher certification programs. Mary informed the Council that Plymouth State University did not request Option 4 because three of the four programs would have SPA accreditation and one would not. Plymouth State University will be going through a full CAEP accreditation in 2021 and would like to align the advanced programs with their other teacher certification programs under one calendar.

MOTION- Tom Julius made a motion to accept the Option 1 program review request for Plymouth State University's four advanced programs; Special Education Administrator, School Principal, School Superintendent, and Library Media Specialist for a fall 2021 review period. Laura Wasielewski seconded the motion.

Motion passed. Abstained, Brian Walker, and Ken Darsney.

7. PROGRAM REVIEWS UPDATES

Laura Stoneking informed the group that the Granite State College program review is rescheduled for February 4, 2021.

Discussion regarding how to document changes due to current circumstances took place.

Laura reported to the group that they are still on schedule for the University of New Hampshire program review for November 16, 17, & 18, 2020.

Laura also gave an update on the Saint Anselm College program review, and informed the group that there will be a training scheduled for January 19, 2021.

Laura informed the group that Kelly Moore-Dunn and Ken Darsney are Co-Chairs for the Antioch University program review. There will be a training scheduled for January 21, 2021.

Brian Walker will Co-chair the Upper Valley Educators Institute review along with a new reviewer Judy Kahn from SAU 24. Laura informed the Council that they would be reviewing the Reading and Writing Teacher and Reading and Writing Specialist programs.

Discussion regarding Plymouth State University's Option 1 program review for Special Education Administrator, School Principal, School Superintendent, and Library Media Specialist took place.

8. PSB AND COMMISSION UPDATES

Laura Stoneking reported that Anne Wallace has accepted a position with the Department of Education and has stepped down as Chair of the Professional Standards Board (PSB). Cynthia Lucero the Vice Chair will step in as Chair in the interim. Laura informed the group that she has included Cynthia in the CTE communications and meetings.

Bill Ross gave an update on the General Special Education rules that were updated by the Professional Standards Board (PSB) this year. Bill informed the group that somehow after the document left the PSB there were some changes made to the language that were obsolete and a few inadvertent changes occurred. This was discovered after it went to the State Board of Education. Consequently, they have had to revise that language to fix the errors. It is currently before the Office of Legislative Services (OLS) and the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (JLCAR). Since these offices are currently not meeting, the State Board of Education has granted a 180 day extension on all the Special Education rules.

Discussion regarding how the Council can get a copy of the final document took place.

Discussion regarding the process once a documents is approve by JAILCAR took place.

Suzanne Canali-Woodcock reported on the Professional Education standards subcommittee. Suzanne informed the group that the committee will be having their final meeting May 27, 2020. Suzanne asked everyone to please review the suggested changes that she sent out, and send her any comments no later than Wednesday May 27, 2020.

9. DOE REPORT AND UPDATES

Laura Stoneking updated the group that the Plymouth State University extension was discussed at length during the May State Board of Education meeting. The State Board requested that Plymouth State return in June with assurances regarding their CAEP accreditation.

Lara informed the group that Southern New Hampshire University's substantive change was tabled until the June State Board Meeting due to them not being able to attend.

Discussion regarding the teacher certification test evaluations, and upcoming changes to the Pearson's Foundations of Reading test took place.

Laura Wasielewski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:50pm. Seconded by Brian Walker. Motion passed unanimously.