

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**  
**Secondary Teacher Education Coordinating Committee**  
**AGENDA**

**December 6, 2013**

**10:00 – 12:00 P.M.**

**COE, Dean's Conference Room 211**

**I. Welcome**

Andrew Brewer, Joe Furner, Sika Dagbovie-Mullins, Susannah Brown, Patty Heydet-Kirsch, Jennifer Bird, Penelope Fritzer, Eileen Ariza, Chris Beetle, Julie Lambert, Yolanda Gamboa, Marianne Sanua, Amy Spears

**II. Approval of minutes (October 11, 2013)**

Penelope Fritzer made motion to approve the October 11, 2013 minutes with the correction. Chris Beetle seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved by members present.

**III. Update**

CAEP Accreditation Review

The COE is going through 2 accreditations.

FEAPs – need to show 5 years of evidence, but since new standards were implemented only one year of data has been collected using the new standards. The COE is in a pilot with the new standards. New FEAPs will need to have two full semesters of data collection to analyze for the reporting.

**IV. New Business**

- Secondary Degree Programs – Updated forms from last meeting have been provided to advisors of the College of Education.
- Review of Social Studies Education Degree Program- Drs. Andrew Brewer and Penelope Fritzer

African American courses listed in two spots to provide opportunities for students to consider for electives. Susannah Brown asked Penelope Fritzer and Andrew Brewer to make changes using track changes and email to Susannah Brown and Josephine Elliot.

Susannah Brown made a motion to approve and Penelope Fritzer seconded the motion. Discussion with Marianne Sanua that these changes are appropriate indicated that the history department supports these changes. All members present approved the motion.

- French and Spanish Education Degree Programs- Dr. Yolanda Gamboa

The Spanish Education degree shortened the program from 45 to 36 credits, changed some of the course numbering and provided different options to the students for electives. The departments will compose a list of 3000 and 4000 course options for the back of the information form to guide students in the selection of electives (similar to English and Mathematics Education degree program guides). Jennifer Bird suggested editing at the bottom of the page for correct grammar and sentence structure.

Penelope Fritzer made a motion to approve the changes and Eileen Ariza seconded the motion.

There was some discussion about where the question should go on the form about declaring previous arrests. Susannah Brown will discuss this section with the chair of Teaching and Learning.

The French Education degree program changed some course options because some courses were changed or no longer offered. It was also suggest that the departments compose list of 3000 and 4000 course options for students to select from for the electives (similar to English and Mathematics Education program guides).

Penelope Fritzer made a motion to approve the changes and Eileen Ariza seconded the motion. The committee voted to approve the changes.

Penelope Fritzer brought up an issue with secondary students concerning the timeline to pass the subject area teacher certification examination and completing the content courses. The concern is that students are paying higher fees to take the exams and need to complete as many courses as possible prior to completing the exams in order to succeed. When students apply to student teach, the requirements give them approximately 2 months to complete the exams. Students apply to student teach in the semester (Fall/Spring) prior to the actual semester of student teaching. For example, if a student is student teaching in fall, then the application is due in January prior to the fall semester. Many students still need to take coursework all summer semester, but are required to take the exams within the timeframe of application. Patty Heydet-Kirsch commented that taking EDF 3940 too soon is also a problem. Students need the content knowledge (courses completed) in order to succeed.

#### ➤ Departmental Reports

Biology - Binninger reported through email message that the biology program is really growing and has courses and faculty on Boca, Jupiter, Davie and Harbor Branch Campuses.

Art Education – Brown is working with the Department of Visual Arts and Art History to make sure the students know that they are getting their degrees from Arts and Letters and requirements and forms are being processed accordingly.

Reading Education – Bird reported about the reading lab is up and running on the Davie Campus. Lesley Calhoun, reading instructor, has lead the way for distance learning courses in the program. Jennifer Bird is writing about the research project concerning how writing influences physical healing with a colleague in the field.

Social Studies Education – Penelope Fritzer announced that the secondary methods course will be offered in Davie.

Science Education – The Department of Teaching and Learning has begun a search for Science education/Environmental Education Assistant Professor position. Julie Lambert submitted a NSF proposal for 2.6 million to work with high school teachers on argumentation and climate change.

History – Marianne Sanua reported that the department has begun a European history faculty search for next year. She discussed that the department is developing a new course - History Methodology and believes it is appropriate for Social Studies Education program students, HIS 2934 (Writing Across the Curriculum Course) which the department will apply to substitute for ENC 1102. The committee was supportive of going through the approval process. The History Department will move forward and Marianne will keep the STECC posted on the process.

Foreign Language- Yolanda Gamboa presented the changes in the Spanish and French Education programs earlier in the meeting but mentioned that for program questions in Spanish Education contact her and for French Education program questions contact Marcella Munson. She continued that the department has developed new elective courses that will be online (Spanish for Careers will become two courses - legal and health care). They will begin offering these courses in the spring on a rotation basis.

Music – Amy Spears reported that the department is changing the title of degree and creating a new introductory course. As the department moves through the process of updating the degree program, STECC will be informed.

Math Education – Joseph Furner discussed that he and colleagues have submitted grants to NSF. Joseph Furner is teaching a secondary Graduate Math Methods course in the spring 14. He suggested that all program areas have a graduate methods course to promote more of graduate focus within the university. Others present discussed that visual art methods has a graduate course and reading education has several graduate courses. The Department of Teaching and Learning is going through the process of approving a Master's degree in Secondary Education.

English – Sika Dagbovie-Mullins announced a search for an assistant professor in the department.

**V. Adjourn -11:23 AM**

**STECC MEETINGS 2014**

January 10, 2014, 10:00AM- 12:00PM, Friday

February 28, 2014, 10:00AM- 12:00PM, Friday