Meeting Minutes

Teacher Education Program
Teacher Education Advisory Committee (TEAC) Meeting
Thursday, April 21, 2016
2:30 - 4:00pm – TEO Meeting Room

Present: Wendy Carr (Chair/TEO), Rod Brown (TEO), Shawna Faber (ECPS), Marianne McTavish (LLED), Claire Rushton (seconded teachers’ rep), Sandra Scott (EDCP), John Yamamoto (TEO)

Regrets: Tony Clarke (Centre for the Study of Teacher Education), Jessica La Rochelle (NITEP), Amy Metcalfe (EDST)

1. Review of Agenda
2. Review of Minutes from TEAC – March 8, 2016
3. Opportunity for BLUE SKY THINKING – Elementary/Middle Years Cohort Coordinators (Tony Clarke)
   The committee members reviewed a proposal that cohort coordinators meet independently to share ideas about the Teacher Education Program that could be brought to TEAC for consideration. Discussion of this proposal included the observation that nothing presently precludes such meetings and that committee members would welcome more information from Dr. Clarke in person at a future meeting.

   Action: The committee will ask Dr. Clarke to provide more information about this proposal at an upcoming TEAC meeting.

4. Cohort Review
   The committee reviewed the cohort structure for the 2016/17 BEd program.
   - Arts-Based & Creativity (ABC) cohort and the new Indigenous Education cohort will be half cohorts working together for multi-section courses and separately for Inquiry and practicum courses;
   - Community of Inquiry in Teacher Education (CITE) will remain a full cohort
   - Elementary French Specialists — Core French/French Immersion will remain a full cohort.
   - International Baccalaureate and Montessori will be half cohorts (as above for multi-section/Inquiry & practicum)
   - Kindergarten — Primary Program (KIPP) will expand to a full cohort.
   - Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) will remain a full cohort.
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- Teaching English Language Learners Through a Cross-Curricular Case-Based Inquiry Approach (TELL-3C) will remain a full cohort.
- Middle Years/Self-Regulated Learning (MY/SRL) will expand to a full cohort.

5. **Secondary Inquiry Groupings**
The Teacher Education Office consulted with Teresa Dobson and Theresa Rogers (LLED) and Donal O'Donoghue (EDCP) on behalf of their respective Departments to determine secondary inquiry groupings for 2016/17. Please see the attached document for details.

6. **BEd Program – 2017/18 – Schedules (secondary/elementary & middle years)**
Jennifer Stewart (TEO) shared proposed schedules to the committee for the 2016-17 Elementary/Middle Years and Secondary program based on requested changes to move Curriculum 3 course to Term 1 and dedicate the post-fall-practicum period to Curriculum and Inquiry courses only. As well, the requests from students and instructors to shorten the fall and summer terms were incorporated for consideration. Please see attached documents to view the proposed schedules and additional notes. The committee discussed how this will affect student loans and housing fee as it is will no longer be a 12-month program.

*Action:* Wendy Carr will send Department Heads the rationale and highlights of the proposed changes for consultation.

*Action:* Rod Brown will explore further the financial impact on students of an 11-month program and report back to the committee.

7. **Psychology as a Teachable Subject Update**

*Action:* Wendy Carr will consult with the Teacher Regulation Branch and Ministry of Advanced Education regarding the possible addition of Psychology as a new Ministry-sanctioned subject.

8. **CCASA Update about Middle Years**
John Yamamoto updated the committee on the CAT 1 change regarding the Middle Years cohort within the Elementary/Middle Years option. Consultation forms were sent to all departments and the Teacher Regulation Branch (TRB). The TRB communicated that they did not expect any issues at this stage.

TEO proposes a multi-department advisory task force for the new academic year to study and support the Middle Years Teacher Education Program.

*Action:* This CAT 1 will be brought to the next Faculty Meeting on Monday, May 16th.

**Next meeting:** Thursday, May 26, 2:30 – 4:00 pm