Teacher Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Teacher Education Program
TEAC – Teacher Education Advisory Committee
Thursday, October 27, 2022
In-Person Room #T101
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Attendees: Karen Ragoonaden (Chair/TEO), John Yamamoto (TEO), Surita Jhangiani (ECPS), Melanie Wong (LLED), Naomi Narcisse (NITEP), Prof. Hartej Gill (EDST), Cynthia Nicol (EDCP), Kyle Hamilton (OSE), Maddy Angus (Assistant to the Associate Dean)

Regrets: Wendy Klassen (OSE)

1. Welcome
2. Land Acknowledgement by Karen Ragoonaden
3. Approval of agenda
   The agenda was approved as circulated.
4. Review of meeting minutes from September 22, 2022
   That the minutes from September 22, 2022, were approved and circulated
5. Business Arising from minutes
   It was requested that the minutes contain a bit more information to provide more context.
   • A cohort of 11 students currently in Bella Coola, finishing their professional year in situ; have started their practicum placements.
   • Checking in regularly with all students in various field centres.
   • Retention events taking place recently on campus; making sure that all students are staying healthy, making good relationships, etc.
   • International, Indigenous Education Symposium held at the Longhouse – leaders from various universities from around the world (New Zealand, Australia, Norway, USA); wonderful experience, and a great opportunity to collaborate and hear what others are doing in Indigenous education
7. Teacher Education Office Updates
   • Maintenance Review, November 15-17, 2023
• Short Practicum, October 24 – November 4, 2022
• Awards Night 6 pm (online)- Tuesday, November 22, 2022
• Graduation - Wednesday, November 23, 2022
  i. 9:30 am BEd Elementary & Middle Years
  ii. 12:30 pm BEd Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
  iii. 3:00 pm BEd Secondary
• Make-up Ceremony – Monday, November 21, 2022, at 11:00 am

8. Department Updates

• Educational and Counselling Psychology, and Special Education (ECPS)
  i. EPSE 308 no business arising
  ii. EPSE 317 will make a guest speaker appearance in EPSE 308 classes as a bridge between the two courses.
• Language & Literacy Education (LLED)
  i. LLED no business arising
  ii. Getting LLED 351 ready for winter Term 2
• Department of Curriculum & Pedagogy (EDCP)
  i. UAC meeting held with a guest speaker- went over some possible changes to the existing TEP; rethinking how to envision inquiry courses, order of courses, piloting new programs
  ii. Book circle – Decolonizing our practices through Indigenous literature; will share more information
• Department of Educational Studies (EDST)
  i. EDST no business arising
  ii. First UPAC meeting coming up shortly
  iii. A new pilot set up for EDST 404 this summer, a large group lecture with breakout sessions – all cohorts except for TELL-3C, French and Middle Years/SRL; this was a response to a department request for a change of format for this course
• Okanagan School of Education (OSE)
  i. 16-month program with 2 cohorts running simultaneously; 135 new teacher candidates just starting (including one from the University of Freiburg) – initial
practicum starting shortly; 103 interns currently in the middle of their final extended practicum

ii. 2nd year of the new French pathways program with 23-24 students enrolled, with additional advisors in place due to enhanced Ministry funding

9. Term 2 TEAC Meetings

- LLED mentioned that the TEAC meetings conflict with her department meetings (the last Thursday of each month)
- EDST, EDCP, and ECPS mentioned that their department meetings are on the third Thursday of each month
- The Associate Dean would like to establish if possible a set day/time for future meetings, to eliminate future confusion
- ECPS suggested a doodle poll to confirm the availability of all members – meetings on 3rd or 4th Thursdays might still be possible at other times

10. New Business

Review of TEAC Terms of Reference

- The Associate Dean asked if members would like to discuss this further at the upcoming TEAC meeting next month
- EDST would like some clarification about the goals of TEAC meetings (as well as the Course/Cohort Coordinators meetings), and how they differ from each other and CCASA
- LLED mentioned that the coordinator meetings have been very helpful for her in connecting with TEO and other instructors
- The Associate Dean would like to define the TOR for TEAC more formally so that any confusion between the mandates for each of these meetings can be cleared up

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 24, 2022, from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm