

The Council on Teacher Education met at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24, 2019, in Room 2444 Buzzard Hall.

Members present: Dean Bower, Dr. J. Cloward, Dr. K. Havercroft, Dr. A. Jones, Dr. R. Tadlock-Marlo, Dr. C. Hild and Ms. B. Calcaterra

Staff present: Dr. S. Lucas

- I. Since the Chair was not present and the committee had not yet elected a Vice Chair, a motion was made to suspend the rules to allow for the election of a Vice Chair (Dr. Havercroft/Dr. Tadlock-Marlo). Motion passed unanimously.
  
- II. **Election of Officers**  
Nominations for Vice Chair were opened. Dr. Tadlock-Marlo volunteered to serve as Vice Chair. Motion was made to elect Dr. Tadlock-Marlo Vice Chair of COTE (Dr. Hild/Dr. Havercroft). Motion passed unanimously.
  
- III. **Minutes**  
The minutes from the April 23, 2019, meeting were approved as written.
  
- IV. **Communication and Information**  
Executive Action-CLAS-Department of Music was shared by Dean Bower. There were no questions or objections.
  
- III. **Items to be Added**  
None.
  
- IV. **Items to be Acted Upon**  
None.
  
- V. **Teacher Education Update & Executive Director's Report**
  1. The Post-baccalaureate Appeal process was discussed and a draft revision of the process considered. The revision would remove the 5 year waiting period for post-baccalaureate teacher licensure candidates who did not earn a 2.65 or higher in their baccalaureate degree program. These candidates would still need to demonstrate their preparedness by establishing a post-baccalaureate GPA of 3.0 on 12 sh of post-baccalaureate coursework related to their teacher licensure program. Discussion was in favor of modifying the process so it will be added to the October 8<sup>th</sup> agenda.
  2. Dr. Lucas gave an update on changes at the state level including legislation eliminating the Basic Skills Test and allowing student teachers to be paid during student teaching. We are still waiting for clarification from ISBE before we establish clear policy. There was considerable discussion about benefits and concerns of paid student teaching. More information will be shared at the next meeting.
  3. Dean Bower and Dr. Lucas led a discussion on the role that COTE should play in the Unit Assessment Committee. As outlined in last year's CAEP report, one of the areas that we need to improve is in our systematic collection and sharing of data for improvement of programs and teacher licensure as a whole. Questions that need to be addressed relate to role/purpose of the committee and who should be on the committee. Other issues raised were the role of LiveText in assessment and support for assessment efforts. Dean Bower shared that the hope is that we will be able to hire an Assessment and Accreditation Coordinator next year.
  4. Dean Bower and Dr. Lucas shared information about our Rural School Initiatives and the Rural School Networking Night scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Submitted by Dr, Doug Bower

**Agenda:**

Membership List, Executive Action, Post-Bac Appeal Process Revision Draft