

**University Council on Teacher Education**  
**Minutes for April 22, 2022**  
**11:30 – 1:00**  
**Zoom**

**Members Present:** Suzanne Burton, Duane Cottrell, Katie Joynt, Steff Kotch-Jester, Krissy Najera, Diana Roscoe, Carol Wong, Lynn Worden

**Members Absent:** Gary Henry, Tory McHugh, Chrystalla Mouza, Kristin Nelson, Brooke Sorgan

**Guests:** Christine Gorowara, Hannah Kim

The March 15, 2022, minutes were unanimously approved after name correction.

*Due to lack of ex-officio members in attendance, we will send any items that need to be voted on to UCTE council members for an electronic vote.*

**Old Business**

1. Student Teaching Policy Governing Request to Student Teach Outside of the University's Supervision
  - Krissy reviewed the two student teaching policies which were edited from suggestions from the March UCTE Meeting. Requested feedback for these policies.
  - First, the Policy Governing a Request to Student Teach Outside the University's Supervision. Feedback suggestions:
    - Change "supervisors" to "field instructors"
    - Add the use of UD's "remote" field instructors not just outside field instructors
    - Create form for process and request
  - Second, the Policy Governing a Request to Change a Student Teaching Placement.
    - Feedback on what if there is a toxic environment and program coordinator requests a change. There is feedback that is collected from field instructors on clinical educators. OCS needs to be notified if there is an issue with a school or clinical educator.
    - Add place for "Field Instructor" and "Program Coordinator" that discussed request on form
    - Add "Notes" section for Field Instructor and Program Coordinator
  - **ACTION: UCTE council members should review with your program's faculty and staff for any feedback, and we will vote on these at the May UCTE meeting.**

2. UCTE mission and responsibilities update (Krissy Najera)
  - Krissy reported that Gary spoke to Diana Lys and Ann Bulloch, and they have agreed to facilitate our work in developing the mission and responsibilities for UCTE. Steff, Suzanne, Chrystalla, Lynn and Krissy will meet with them next week to review the request and answer any questions they may have. Krissy will keep UCTE informed of progress.

## **New Business**

1. Social Studies Policy Waiver – Entrance into Student Teaching (Hannah Kim)
  - Hannah reviewed the Social Studies policy waiver for entrance into student teaching. This policy is similar to the other program’s waiver policies. The only difference is we added “extenuating circumstances” because of the pandemic.
  - **ACTION – Policy will be sent out to UCTE council members for an electronic vote.**
  
2. Scorecard Solutions (Christine Gorowara)
  - Christine reviewed the programs that had “Renewed with Conditions” or “Program Under Further Review” have been meeting with Rob Grey (DDOE). He informed of ways DDOE could better support programs. Programs voiced the adverse effects the scorecards have on potential new students and how damaging it is to UD, especially if items are out of our control.
  - Spoke to Luke Rhine who is the new Associate Secretary, and he expressed his concern that the scorecards do not depict an accurate picture of the programs and is open to rethinking the scorecard process and measures.
  - UD needs to think strategically on what process and measures would be more accurate and appropriate. Other states provide data and metrics but no rating of programs or scores. Dr. Henry has expressed his displeasure of the scorecards with DDOE. So, more to come in the area of scorecards.

## **Miscellaneous**

1. Tory created a generic video regarding certification for faculty and staff to use. It was created for Decision Days but can be used for current students too. It runs approximately 4 minutes. The link is: <https://prezi.com/v/8y4zzidavbja/>. Though this video is specifically for ETE, Tory will create videos that are specific to ECE and Secondary.
  
2. The position for a full-time, Early childhood Clinical Coordinator will be posted early next week. If you know anyone that would be interested, please let them know. The candidate should be certified in Early Childhood and Early Childhood Special Education.

Meeting adjourned 12:16 pm