

Teacher Education and K-12 Relations Committee

Minutes

**January 17th, 2007
Office of the Chancellor
Room 410 - 10:00 am**

PRESENT: Cal Caplan, Mark O'Shea (Chair),
Michael Perkins, Barbara Swerkes, Lillian Vega-Castaneda,
Jim Wheeler,

GUESTS: Dr. Beverly Young, Marshall Cates (EC Liaison)

I. Welcome and Introductions: Chair Mark O'Shea opened the meeting with introductions and a welcome to all.

I. Approval of/Revisions to the Agenda: Approved as revised:

III. Approval of Minutes: **December 8th, 2006 Interim Meeting - Minutes**
Approved as presented.

IV. Updates/Ongoing Business:

(a) Office of the Chancellor Updates and Information:

- (1) CSU Teacher Education Professional Development Day has been scheduled for Friday, March 9th, 2007, at the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel in Burlingame. Major sessions will be based upon (a) preparing all teachers to work with special needs students, (b) preparing future secondary teachers to improve literacy across content areas, including, preparation of future high school teachers of English and Mathematics to facilitate their students' college and career readiness (EAP), (d) ways in which analyses of high achieving schools can communicate to future teachers about "Best Practices" related to assisting at-risk students, (e) providing an opportunity for colleagues across the system to discuss program improvement related to five areas for which system-wide evaluation data are collected: English Learners; Parent Communications; Classroom Management; Educational Technology; and At-Risk Populations.

- (2) Hearings on Re-authorization of Title IV, the federal Higher Education Act of 1965, are on the horizon - colleagues from the Chancellor's Office, including Beverly Young and Keith Boyum, have been invited to be negotiators for possible changes to the Student Financial Aid Programs Regulations included within Title IV.
 - (3) Governor has once again funded the Math-Science Initiative and \$2.0 million has been earmarked for the CSU in the first January version of the 2007-08 budget.
- (b) Annual Report on Teacher Preparation, Including *Standards-Based Teacher Preparation in the California State University - Annual Report*, identification of additional information needed, and development of a charge to prepare the report: The information communicated to campuses may not be helpful in identifying (a) elements of their teacher preparation (credential) programs that may be compromising their attractiveness to future teachers or (b) systemic issues that may be compromising the attractiveness, generally, of CSU campus-based teacher credential programs. Dr. Young suggested that the annual report is not designed to provide feedback to campuses that might inform the evolution of their teacher preparation programs, rather it is fundamentally a public relations document crafted for the general public and, more importantly, the legislature and other state-wide education interests.
- (c) Followup on EAP report provided by Marshall Cates at December meeting. Next steps to assure effective campus implementation of the program: Dr. Cate's comments touched upon:
- (1) Inclusion of a significant EAP focus in the upcoming CSU Teacher Education Faculty Development Event scheduled for March 9th, 2007, in Burlingame.
 - (2) Reported on a joint meeting of FGA, the Executive Committee, and Chancellors Office colleagues related to establishing CSU state funding request priorities
- (d) Review and discussion of the status of co-sponsored resolutions with Academic Affairs:
- (e) Review of methods and purposes in *Assessing Teacher Preparation Outcomes for Program Improvement and Institutional Accountability* and development of an invitation for Bill Wilson and David Wright to meet with the committee in April, 2007:

- (f) Outreach programs and funding: Conversations included the potential efficacy of establishing a permanent budget allocation for outreach programs, rather than a status within the budget that has resulted in elimination (and, ultimately and fortunately, reinstatement) of outreach programs funding.

Tracker-Scout Reports

Otto Benavides - Educational Technology

Not present

Bob Buckley - In Thailand on Teaching Assignment

Not present

Cal Caplan - CPEC

Michael Perkins - California Department of Education

The Department is focused on school district report cards that convey student pass rates on state standards tests

Barbara Swerkes – LDTP

Senator Swekes provided a copy of the subject matter preparation program elementary education LDTP, including an Introduction to Teaching course (3 units). Discussion centered on the specificity of courses to be required, e.g. Mathematics for Elementary School Teaching.

Lillian Vega-Castaneda – CCTC

More updates on SB 1209, the revision to teacher credentialing, specifically for out of state teachers. Several workshops will be provided in California, titled, “What’s happening with accreditation?” Applications are solicited for the Subtest IV, Bilingual Methodology Validity Study.

Robert Williams - CTA/CFA

Not present

VI. New Business:

- (a) Discussion of the CSU Education Dean’s Excellence in Teacher Preparation Initiative and possible committee response - see above
- (b) Development of a resolution calling for substantial modification to *No Child Left Behind*.

VII. Adjournment: