

Preparing You For Success

Record of Minutes

Committee Name: Teacher Advisory Council (TAC)

Date: April 26, 2022

Time: 4:30 pm

Place: Zoom

Meeting Called By: Dr. Leslie Cowell

Time of call to order: 4:30 pm

Recorder for Meeting: Tiffany Till

Time of adjournment: 5:00 pm

Minutes Prepared by: Tiffany Till

Committee Members Present:

Doug Black

Eugenia Vaughn

Julie Powell

Kimberly Stephenson

Mark McGhee

Leslie Cowell

Rebecca Horn Carol Tarpley Sandy Luster Tracye Strichik

Type of meeting/committee: Teacher Advisory Council (TAC) Meeting

Meeting began with opening statement from Dr. Cowell. Updates from Faulkner University and the College of Education were given (see attachment). Committee members shared issues they are seeing in their schools and what the College of Education can do to better prepare future teachers. Mark McGhee shared that mental health is a huge issue right now. He said young educators need to be introduced to the problem of mental health and know this will be an issue in which they will have to deal. Also, they need tips on how to recognize mental health issues, i.e. students with discipline issues, the student who sits alone and doesn't speak or the student who doesn't get along with others. Julie Powell mentioned absence of soft skills as being a major issue in young educators entering the profession. Mrs. Powell discussed topics such as work ethic, accountability and presenting your best self as lacking. Mr. McGhee added that young teachers should know that they will have to deal with adults not just children. These future teachers need to be taught how to deal with adults professionally. Kim Stephenson mentioned the issue of social maturity of children coming out of Covid. Teachers need to be equipped to help children catch up with academics, but also with social skills. Dr. Cowell thanked the committee for their input. The College of Education faculty will spend time discussing the issues mentioned. An assessment review will be done in May. That data will be shared with the TAC committee in the Fall.

Zoom recording information.

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programs

Updates from the University

- Dr. Mitch Henry, President-Elect
- Department of Education grant, supporting minority students
- Dr. Tracye Strichik, new faculty in COE

Updates from the College

- Alabama Literacy Act- Barksdale Review
- All Reading coursework has been aligned with the Science of Reading
- Application for the International Dyslexia Association accreditation
- Class B & Alt- A students will be required to take the KPEERI prior to Internship
- ALSDE will require the Foundations of Reading assessment starting September 2022
- Traditional Class A program virtual CAEP accreditation site visit- Monday May 2
- Pilot for new clinical experience model in the undergraduate program
- Students had three weeks to complete clinical experiences without course interruption
- Changes to Teacher Certification:
- Approved by the Legislature, certification can come from outside Colleges of Education
- Numeracy Act passed; Faculty going through NUMBRS training this summer

Updates from the College

Realignment of standards

Traditional Class A program now aligned with the National Board Middle Childhood Generalist Standards

Innovative program submission

- 30 hour M.Ed. program, fully online to certify in Math, ELA, Science, Social Studies, Choral Music, and Instrumental Music
- Candidates must have meet prerequisite course requirement in his/her undergraduate program 0
- Projected start August 2022

Let's hear from you!

- What are the updates from your school?
- What do we need to know to as we prepare teachers for the upcoming year?
- From those of you who have hosted our students, what can we be doing better to prepare our candidates?