

Buffalo State University

Teacher Education Council

Friday, March 14, 2025, Cleveland 418 (1:00 pm)

## MINUTES from 3/14/25

VOTING AND EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS [This attendance list notes members names to assist the note-takers – please sign-in at the meeting]: Alexandra Allen – AB emailed, Rosemary Arioli, Lisa Brosnick, Shannon Budin, James Cercone – AB emailed, Theresa Cinotti, Pixita del Prado Hill, Kathy Doody, Wynn Fisher, Vicky Furby, Keli Garas-York, Denise Harris, Judith Harris, Julie Henry, Douglas Houston, Brandon Kawa – AB emailed, Peter Loehr, Dan MacIsaac, Candace Masters, Katie McCabe, Kevin Miller, Kristen Pastore-Capuana, Wendy Paterson, Alice Pennisi, Lisa Rafferty, Patty Recchio, Jen Richenberg, Raquel Schmidt, Dana Serure, Alice Villaseñor, David Wilson, Kathy Wood, Joseph Zawicki, Jim Maloney, Steve Macho

- I. Call to order (1:00 pm)
  - a. Motion approve – P. Loehr and Second, J. Harris
  - b. One ABST and vote passed
- II. Celebrations
  - Happy Pi Day 3.14 and Thank you Jane Cushman, Math Dept, and the BS Planetarium for a fun event yesterday.
  - EXE Ed – 3 new master’s programs
- III. Approval of Minutes - [Feb 14, 2025 MINUTES](#) (You may need to log-in)
  - a. [TEC Meeting Documents Home Page](#) --> Access to Agenda and Minutes
- IV. Lightning Round: Kathy Shiroki, Outreach Educator. Burchfield Penny Art Center Resources
  - a. FREE to students, staff, and faculty – only for ticketed events need \$
  - b. Just a “penny” to visit
  - c. Collection Study Room – open space to hang out/study/host meetings – NO FOOD or PENS (a device or pencil is allowed)
  - d. Second Friday is OPEN – FREE
  - e. October 10, 2025 – Collaboration day with Buffalo State
  - f. Self-Portrait with Burchfield Penney Art center assignment; and WHY (oral or written assignment; could be a virtual task to to post and tag B-P
  - g. SOE event on --> student-teacher and Bengal Passion – see invite from Sue Rubino
  - h. Rosemary – Book Study club
- V. TEC Committee Report
  - a. Meghan Pererira of Instructional Design and Distance Learning, SUNY Buffalo State... needed to reschedule to next month
  - b. **NOTE to NOTE-TAKERS – Please see message below for pointers.**
  - i. Assessment and Accreditation (Shannon Budin) [PPT link](#) and [PDF link](#)
    1. Trastion and shift in assessment magt system
    2. 3/21 at 9 AM for Data Retreat
    3. Advanced Program Capstone Project – update on 6 rubric criteria and assesses graduate programs and outcomes – includes 7 dispositions, CAEP 6 proficiencies and Standardd 1
    4. 2023-2024 N= 180 includes submitted and evaluated

- 5. TEACH Data --> importance who need to follow-through with their certification process (i.e., NYS assessments, other issues)
- ii. Faculty Development (Sherri Weber and Pixita del Prado)
  - [Beyond & Back](#) — Wednesday April 9 from 4:00-5:30 in TECH 160
  - PDS Conference
    - [Call for proposals went out in early March](#)
    - Due date is June 1
    - Conference is October 3
  - Please send names of any possible PDS UG Student Reps
    - Seeking students to participate – either at the sophomore or junior level and across the TEU – email Pixita
      - Be on the lookout for the PDS spring 2025 newsletter as more details are posted in newsletter
    - TEPAC – seeking a name change; Professional Development Partnership as a potential new name; aim is to provide more clarity in the name itself compared with PDS plus this name change is alignment with other national and international organizations
- iii. Field/Clinical Experiences (Rosemary Arioli)
  - **REMINDER to your departments/programs -- especially as new Fall 2025 contacts are being made**
  - **If questions, email Rosemary**
- iv. Recruitment and Retention (Sherri Weber and Pixita del Prado)
  - **BABBAT: March 19 170 registrants; Dr. Hunter too**
    - Tabling w/ snacks
    - Panel and Tour/lunch
- v. IGPE (International Graduate Programs for Educators) Cathy Beecroft presenting notes from Brandon:
  - The IGPE is in the process of submitting a letter of intent to the SUNY system to add Escuela Internacional Sampedrana in Honduras as a new site.
  - Later this spring, the IGPE will be reactivating two dormant sites in Mexico:
    - San Roberto School in Monterrey, Mexico
    - The American School of Torreon in Torreon, Mexico
  - Along with Dean Paterson and Dr. del Prado Hill, I had the pleasure of presenting on our International Professional Development Schools (IPDS) programs at the National Association of School University Partnerships (NASUP) annual conference. The presentation highlighted the collaborative international initiatives and professional development opportunities offered through our SOE.

## VI. Certification Office Update (Patty Recchio)

- A lot of little things:
  - RADAR Reminder: Job offers or Interviewing – do not say they certified in a reference letter; yet if teacher candidate has a job offer reach out to Patty for a form
  - TeachNY and Financial Aid --> recruitment; 600,000 subscribers and information about education programs across our state; funding for fees; reminders to people who enroll
    - BSU Admissions will be meeting with them too
  - Cert Office Meeting ---> meeting CST waivers are now available to students; if students fail CST and has a 3.5 GPA they may be eligible for a CST waiver; it is now retroactive for teacher candidates who failed by a certain metric – as far back as a “reasonable amount of time” (est. 2014; SBL goes back a little further)
  - The metric is different for each exam – metrics are post on the NYSED TEACH website; passing score and waiver score; BSU Teacher Cert website is being updated to reflect this information asap

VII. TEUPAC Update (Sherri Weber and Pixita del Prado) - **see note above about pending name change of PDS to Professional Development Partnership**

VIII. Unit Head Report (Wendy Paterson/Raquel Schmidt)

- SUNY is stating that NO pre-major will be available/allowed per SUNY policy
- No longer in catalog for GPA and grade-point average; we can have a pre-req on the course itself; check out SUNY Cortland’s admissions website for an example
- We may need to revisit how we address this change from the past ways of posting it in public manner; review your programs and pre-req for courses, but do not make significant changes at this time. Reach out to Raquel about catalog questions.
- Undergraduate acceptances of new students will be in a grade range of 75 or a C
- Preliminary conversations with Deans and Provost; we might need to also discuss with Professional Advisors – what and how they are informing students; look at ROADMAPS and use them with students/advises
  - Ex: EDU 211 compared to EDU 202 and EDU 201
  - EXE 100
- Admissions Graduate is 3.0 yet cannot be posted on website or catalog in public place – contact Scott Goodman
- Wendy will share TEC questions and re-update; at this time, look at each program should look at catalog and check courses regarding GPA requirements; check mechanisms that may allow you to enforce admissions requirements reasonably; give Wendy your proposals and she will share with Provost.
- Provide Wendy with Feedback ASAP
- GOOD NEWS – in meetings with President and Deans; Education programs are doing well, keeping enrollments strong and managing faculty and sections well.
- **Group Discussion:** Denise (Career and Professional Development) shared that education and tech (CTE) is in high-demand; post-bac numbers are great and FACS is up too; BME (business); questions about post-bac to be initial master’s or grad student level (there are a lot of clunky issues with it); **Steve M. and Patty R.**

IX. Old Business: Joe sought old and new business

X. New Business

XI. Announcements - see images below: **Jen R. event for teacher education BPE and education leaders --> April 3 –12:30 – 1:30 see flyer to add to notes**

XII. Adjournment (2:30) Lisa R motion 2:24n to adjourn Katie McCabe



**2025 PDS  
CONFERENCE**

**CALL FOR  
PROPOSALS**

**DUE JUNE 1**

Submit a proposal to  
share your school-  
university partnership  
work at the annual PDS  
Conference to be held  
Friday October 3, 2025  
at Buffalo State!

Submit Online:  
Scan QR code or visit:  
<https://forms.gle/zucf8PySePYunsQF8>



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THE NYS MASTER TEACHER PROGRAM  
 Western NY



**Dr. Bettina Love @**  
**Buffalo State University**

**Who:** WNY K-12 Teachers, Administrators, & Buffalo State Students

**When:** March 28th, 2025; 4:00 - 5:00 pm

**Where:** Buffalo State University, Campbell Student Union Social Hall

Dr. Love actively contributes to the mission of nurturing and empowering educators and parents committed to combating injustice within their educational institutions and communities.

Dr. Bettina L. Love holds the esteemed William F. Russell Professorship at Teachers College, Columbia University, and is the acclaimed author of the New York Times bestseller *Punished for Dreaming: How School Reform Harms Black Children and How We Heal*. This groundbreaking work garnered the prestigious Stowe Prize for Literary Activism and was a finalist for the LA Times Book Award. Recognized by the Kennedy Center in 2022 as one of the Next 50 Leaders dedicated to fostering inspiration, inclusivity, and compassion, Dr. Love's impact extends far beyond academia.

Renowned as a highly sought-after public speaker, Dr. Love covers a wide range of compelling topics in her engagements, including abolitionist teaching, anti-racism, Hip Hop education, Black girlhood, queer youth, educational reparations, and the use of art-based education to foster youth civic engagement.

To register, scan the QR code to the right, or go to:  
[wnymtr.buffalostate.edu/upcoming-professional-learning-wny-teachers](https://wnymtr.buffalostate.edu/upcoming-professional-learning-wny-teachers)




## NOTE-TAKER LISTING for 2024-2025

March 14, 2025	Dana Serure	SSE	
April 11, 2025	Kristen Pastore-Capwana	ENG	<a href="mailto:pastorka@buffalostate.edu">pastorka@buffalostate.edu</a>
May 9, 2025	Alex Allen	HSSSED	<a href="mailto:allenar@buffalostate.edu">allenar@buffalostate.edu</a>
<sup>1</sup> This is a draft schedule based upon the 2023-2024 representatives. Contact <a href="mailto:zawickjl@buffalostate.edu">zawickjl@buffalostate.edu</a> with any corrections, changes, or concerns.			