

Teacher Education Council Minutes

March 13, 2020

In Attendance:

Representatives: Terri Cinotti, Gliset Colon, Judy Davis, Kathy Doody, Jill Gradwell, Dave Henry, Steve Macho, Candace Masters, Kristen Pastore-Capuana, Kerry Renzoni, Joe Zawicki

Ex Officio Members: Rosemary Arioli, Shannon Budin, Pixita del Prado Hill, Wynnie Fisher, Tiffany Fuzak, Kevin Miller, Wendy Paterson, Patty Recchio, Kathy Wood

Others in Attendance: Julie Henry, Raquel Schmidt

Not in Attendance: Reva Fish, Christine Garas, Peter Loehner, James Maloney, Astrid Martinez, Chris Shively, Dave Wilson

- I. Call to order
- II. Approval of previous minutes (February 14, 2019); motioned and approved
- III. TEC Committee Reports
 - A. Assessment/Accreditation
 1. Teach Report, Data Milestones (Tiffany Fuzak, Shannon Budin); report tabled
 2. Meeting Employment Needs (Stephanie Zuckerman-Aviles); presentation tabled
 - B. Lightning Round – Graduate & Undergraduate ExEd Courses of Interest (Kathy Doody, Angela Patti); presentation tabled.
 - C. Meghan - Online learning for Buffalo State; an overview was provided of teacher resources given online learning directive precipitated by the COVID-19 crisis.
 1. Remote teaching
 - a. Blackboard
 - b. Phone call
 - c. Or any process that can be remote
 2. Teaching and Learning Center; resources will be posted here: <https://tlc.buffalostate.edu/>
 3. Please fill out the teaching survey; can let tech know how to access technology if not on campus (e.g., in a lab); SPS and Adobe were identified as high need
 - a. website materials -- <https://tlc.buffalostate.edu/continuity>
 - b. Survey -- https://buffalostate.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1TEwe7p5w0NcKRD
 4. Note a lot of tech companies are providing free WiFi or resources during this time
 5. Continuity website: <https://tlc.buffalostate.edu/continuity>
 6. Online tutoring services will continue
 7. Workshops for online instruction (sessions in the classroom building):
<https://libcal.buffalostate.edu/calendar/workshops/?cid=12373&t=d&d=0000-00-00&cal=12373>
 8. Help Desk, Bulger 122 can help you set up your computer
 9. Syllabi can change as necessary; will need to compress syllabus; focus on learning objectives
 10. If you are interested in supporting peers with your technology knowledge, email: tlc@buffalostate.edu
 11. IT Portal – Blackboard Collaborate – can request a site – have a supervisory license and create rooms
 12. You can repurpose your Blackboard site to invite students who are not in class (e.g., guest)
 13. IT, Health Center, tutoring will have Collaborate sites
 14. You may use Zoom but will have not college support
 15. Students with disabilities: Sumana will add sessions for support of those students
 16. Tip make past courses unavailable so that students don't see too many courses on their page

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- D. Faculty Development (Laura Klenk); tabled
 - E. Field/Clinical Experiences (Rosemary Arioli); tabled
 - F. Recruitment (Kathy Wood); cancelled March 20th Calling all Teachers
- IV. Certification Office Update (Patty Recchio)
- A. Patty happy to complete student sessions remotely
 - B. Dr. Wood and Patty have a meeting with Kristen Fields continuing professional studies workshop about the viability of them completing any remaining workshops
 - C. You will be hearing from Patty regarding workshops, including DASA
 - D. Teacher Recruitment Day will likely be cancelled (Julie)
 - E. Question from Judy: Content specialty tests, administered electronically, but in testing centers, what is the status? Answer: Not known at this time
 - F. If you have questions for the State, send them to Patty; she will be meeting with State remotely
- V. Educational Pipeline Initiatives Update; tabled
- VI. TEUPAC Update (Pixita del Prado Hill/Keli Garas-York)
- A. All PDS events have been cancelled
 - B. Call for proposal due June 1st for conference
 - C. Encouragement given to reach out to school partners for support during this challenging time
- VII. Unit Head Report (Wendy Paterson)
- A. Coronavirus
 - 1. Hourly changes
 - 2. This morning – meeting of Deans of Education
 - a. Placements for education; where possible, student teaching practica, will continue as originally planned so that students will have opportunity to advance their learning
 - b. If a placement is temporarily suspended, then it should resume when viable
 - c. By the end of next week, students will have 40 days of student teaching (40 days = state regulation; 70 days SUNY reg). If students have 40 days in, schools can supplement (per Patty)
 - d. Email will be sent after this meeting
 - i. Superintendents in schools are doing things differently
 - ii. BOCES I superintendents are not meeting today
 - iii. Be ready for school closures
 - e. At this moment (Friday at 1:10), because student teachers are finishing one placement and preparing to start another; student teaching will continue until suspended or until a school has requested the student does not attend
 - i. The State of NY makes all decisions
 - ii. Students who are ill for any reason should not go to placement
 - iii. Students from NYC area who are going home now (for break), will not be allowed to return to their student teaching placement when they return
 - iv. Faculty with methods courses, meeting in schools can meet in schools after spring break; if meeting remotely, methods teacher should convey plan for remote teaching to chair
 - v. Internships will continue unabated
 - vi. Small groups can meet with faculty (e.g., no more than 5)
 - vii. Still waiting for state guidance on workshop requirements; student teacher should have gotten the information during their first placement or as soon as possible during their 2nd placement
 - viii. Students with questions should contact the Teacher Certification Office
 - ix. Extensions are not a state regulation
 - f. See email for the above that will be sent unless WNY schools are closed

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- g. BSC supports teaching placements as planned; there is no reason for a school or school district to prohibit student teachers from attending school; student teachers are to follow all protocols as all teacher and staff
- h. Make sure to conduct your course so that you can meet learning objectives
- i. Remote means – not on campus
- j. We can do one-on-one advisement
- k. Limit gatherings to less than 50
- l. Issue of labs is unresolved at this time
- m. Cannot assign students work to complete over spring break
- n. Spectrum offering free WiFi for students needing off-site access

VIII. Old Business: None

IX. New Business

- A. Ex Ed Courses: Kathy shared courses that can be taken by non-majors.
 - 1. See handout and email that will be sent to TEU
 - 2. Students should contact Ex Ed. for a major override
- B. Dave asked a question about EXE 594 regarding whether or not it could be used as an elementary education course; answer, possibly

X. Announcements

XI. Adjournment (2:30 PM); motioned and carried

Respectfully submitted,

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2019-2020 TEC Meeting Dates
1:00-2:30 PM, Grover Cleveland 418

Fall 2019

September 13
October 11
November 8
December 13 (12:00-1:30 PM)

Spring 2020

February 14
March 13
April 10
May 8 (12:00-1:30 PM)