

College of Education

Team LEARN

April 9, 2014

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Faculty Development Center

Minutes

- I. Welcome by Interim Dean, Oddmund Myhre. Team LEARN (Leaders in Education Aimed at Regional Needs) focus is on the teacher education portion of the College.
 - Special guest for this meeting are: Dr. Beverly Young, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Teacher Education for the CSU System
 - Dr. Joseph Sheley, President, CSU Stanislaus
 - Dr. James T. Strong, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs
- II. Welcome by President Sheley
- III. Jacqueline Holt, Director of Annual Giving: Student Success – One Purpose
 - Six week fund raising drive starts August 28, 2014 and goes through October 9, 2014
- IV. Question and answer session with Dr. Beverly Young
 - Smarter Balance
 - Standards set by first round of field test
 - Computer adaptive
 - Questions will change if computer detects a series of high or low scores
 - Testing will provide information to teachers that currently is not available
 - Will help the CSU prepare teachers that are more equipped for the field
 - Refer to web site for information about additional support for special needs students
 - Mass majority is not ready to implement because of technology
 - What do you do to prepare teachers for Smarter Balance?
 1. Been doing this for several years now they should be used to it
 2. Students are still struggling with test not technology
 3. Teach students to meet regular goals not annual test
 - Need principals that understand the issues
 - New English Language Arts curriculum will focus on writing & math
 - Should make a huge difference with teachers being more prepared to teach
 - Bechtel Foundation donated \$3 million dollars to the CSU for Teacher Education programs
 - Part of a 5 year plan
 - The College Readiness test is only offered in English because the CSU teaches in English
 - CSU professors need to model the Common Core in their courses
 - It is hard to convince students to enroll in credential programs when teachers are still getting layoff notices
 - Credential programs are down to 6,000 student system-wide, in the past there were 12,000-15,000 students enrolled
 - The state no longer has a budget to recruit teachers, used to have \$41 million
 - CSU is the only system that is still devoting funds to teacher recruitment
 - Digital Library is based on attributes with resources to inform teachers
 - Feedback from students in the Teacher Prep program:

- Good job preparing for college but not for life (student at the meeting felt that the CSU helped her prepare for real life experiences)
 1. This used to be done by parents
 2. Link learning – is not in the state standards yet
 - Where is the focus going to be, Smarter Balance, Common Core, technology, or additional resources?
 - When will math and science components kick in?
- V. Updates from Dean Myhre**
- College is still national accredited
 - We are working toward standards
 - Center for Teacher Quality will be sending out surveys
 - They have been revised and are much shorter
 - Please ask your Principals to participate
 - Teacher Education part-time pool is ok at this time
- VI. Ed.D Dissertation projects - Dr. Kathryn Bell McKenzie**
- Several areas have submitted projects for students to research
- VII. Science Technology Engineering Mathematics (STEM) and student fingerprinting– Dr. Elmano Costa**
- Districts need more math and science teachers
 - Liberal Studies concentration needs more math
 - California does not require 4 years of math to graduate
 - Students are currently required to be fingerprinted by several agencies because the information cannot be shared between agencies.
 - He is working with Assembly member Kristin Olsen to find a solution to the problem