
Absent:

The meeting was called to order by CAPCE Chair Malecki.

I. Approval of Minutes. L’Allier made a motion, seconded by Tattersall, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 10, 2014, MEETING. Motion passed unanimously.

II. CITC Report. L’Allier reported that the CAEP (Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) site visit will be fall, 2017. The rest of the discussions at CITC dealt with initial licensure. Hedin asked about the tuition waiver policy. L’Allier responded that if the student teacher started his or her assignment for even just one day, the cooperating teacher’s district would receive the waiver. A draft of the revised tuition waiver policy has been sent to CITC’s Committee on Policy and Procedures. Hedin said that even if a student doesn’t make it to their first day, the cooperating teacher has done a lot of work. L’Allier said that there needs to be a cut-off at some point. Cohen asked if there was a discussion regarding internships and advanced placements and Malecki said she would follow-up with the individuals working on the tuition waiver policy and ask if CAPCE could review the policy. A discussion followed regarding how the different programs deal with cooperating teachers for internships and advanced placements.

III. Report from UOELP (Parker). Malecki reported that Parker e-mailed the most recent proposals from the ISBE regarding superintendents and principals. Malecki reported on the amendment to the law that requires principals to have taught in the classroom. The amendment changes the four-year requirement to two years FTE.

IV. Timing of Assessment Specific to CAPCE Membership (Parker and Potter). It was reported that CITC decided that students cannot be admitted into their programs until they pass the TAP (or equivalent). Malecki asked CAPCE members if they want to make a different policy, while staying within the parameters set forth in Illinois state law. She said that for advanced programs, it is not practical to require students to pass the TAP prior to admission into the program. It was suggested that students in advanced programs could be
provisionally admitted until they pass the TAP. Schumacher said that their M.A.T. students are students-at-large until they pass the TAP. Potter said that their situation is also different. Malecki asked if CAPCE members are comfortable with a statement that students are not admitted into their programs until they pass the TAP (or equivalent). A policy specific to CAPCE was discussed. Could there be a statement where the current policy is stated, but students also need to check with their programs for any special exceptions. Committee members agreed that this would be appropriate. A discussion followed regarding how programs are helping their students pass the TAP.

V. Reports from Assessment (Zack). Zack reported that she and Parker are creating a timeline for SPA reporting and the assessment will look the same as in the past. However, some SPAs have changed standards, so programs should pay attention to that. She added that programs that don’t have a SPA will not be going through this process. There was a discussion on what reports are due. It was confirmed that the CAEP visit will be fall, 2017. It was also clarified that there needs to be assessment once students are in the field for unit-wide assessment. Zack said that at a recent CAEP conference she received standards and requirements, but these are only for initial programs. Standards and requirements for advanced programs are still to come. Zack also reported that CAEP would like to see universities move towards making sure assessments are reliable and valid.

VI. Principal endorsement changes in law (pending) (Malecki). Malecki reported that this item is done.

VII. Changing the name of CAPCE. Several suggestions were provided to CAPCE: University Committee on Advanced and Nonteaching Educator License Programs (UCANELP); University Committee on Advanced Educator License Programs (UCAELP); University Committee on Advanced Programs for Educator Licensure (UCAPEL). Malecki asked if there were any terms that are missing but that need to be included. It was suggested that “professional” needs to be in the name. Malecki will do a survey asking CAPCE members to rank the suggestions and provide any additional suggestions.

Meeting adjourned by acclamation at 9:30.

The next meeting of CAPCE is May 5, 8:30, Graham Hall 423.

Minutes submitted by Donna Smith, CAPCE recording secretary.