

MINUTES
EXECUTIVE BOARD
Black Hall, Room 228-7
January 5, 2009

1. **ATTENDING:** Connie Lambert (CEPS, chair), Marji Morgan (CAH), Kirk Johnson (COTS), Paul Farris (Public School Superintendent), Jim DePaepe (OREA)
2. **MEETING CONVENED:** 9:02am
3. **CHANGES TO AGENDA:** None
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes were approved
5. **REPORTS:**
 - OREA – Jim DePaepe
 - Jim gave a report regarding the October 24-27, 2009 NCATE focus visit. Jim presented an idea to NCATE to conduct the visit virtually rather than to have a site visit. A virtual visit would be a simple process that would save the University money. NCATE agreed to his idea but they wanted CWU to pilot the program this spring. With a timeline already in place changing the visit to the spring is just not a possibility. However, three other schools have agreed to be a part of this pilot. Jim volunteered to be on the team for the other schools that do want to have this pilot virtual visit. If the pilot visits go well they will continue to offer this option and there is a good chance we will be able to have a virtual visit in October
 - There is an ongoing problem with procuring the advanced level assessment data. The diversity standards changing have caused a huge problem for the advanced level. As it stands, at the masters level we will not pass the diversity standard. If we fail this portion we will not be re-accredited. This problem needs to be corrected right away. The Standard requires us to present evidence that our students understand, and can incorporate, diversity. At this point there are no courses or experiences to assess. Marji suggested an all day diversity workshop for graduate students. It was suggested that the workshop could be co-taught by faculty with a DE to the Centers. Marji also suggested a course taken via a virtual school with an assessed artifact. Showing experience would be an easy feat as most of the graduate students are teachers who probably already have these experiences but they are not assessed in a usable way for the CTL to collect data. It was agreed that both of these suggestions boasted strong possibilities.
 - Jim has been working on redoing the One and Three-Year Teacher Survey to be sent out as a pilot. This new survey will collect data regarding graduates' opinions of their teacher preparation experience.
 - The graduate programs are starting to dwindle. There was a discussion about a Basic Education Task Force proposal that may result in even lower graduate candidates. The proposed program would be a merit system rather than a degree or credit system. There is a proposed six year timeframe window for this plan to be implemented. Other points in the plan include lower student numbers in the classroom and an increased school day to seven periods. The cost of this plan is very high. The plan will go in front of the Legislature this coming session.

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6. NEW BUSINESS:

- Praxis II – pass rates over the past three years
 - The test is no longer call the Praxis II, the new test is the West-E. This is the Washington State test that is based on the new standards. The new West-E test is already in place for some of the content areas and will be fully in place by fall. NCATE requires us to maintain a percentage of eighty or higher. They look at all of the CTL endorsement area numbers together rather than the individual areas separately. At this time we have a percentage in the high eighties.
- Scholarship and Faculty Development Committee name change
 - Several people have recommended that the name of the Committee be changed to Faculty Development and Candidate Scholarship Committee. It was agreed by the board to make the change.
- Student Referral Form
 - The form has been an option for 4-5 years but has rarely been used. NCATE requires that the same policies be used with all students. They also require that institutions track student issues and how the issues were resolved. Every issue needs to be documented. The form will be going before the Advisory Council at the January 14, 2009 meeting.
- Committee Membership
 - P-12 School Based Services Committee – It was decided that it is not necessary to have a representative from all of the centers on the Committee. Rexton Lynn is the Field Experience Representative for the Committee and can report feedback from the centers. Gail Goss is the Yakima Valley Representative on the Committee and it was decided that filling the other positions was unnecessary. Eliminating the membership positions will be added to the next Advisory Council Meeting Agenda.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

- Award Winners
 - There will now be four award winners honored: Susan Johnson (Washington State Teacher of the Year), Mike O'Donnell (Washington State Assistant Principal of the Year), Amber Farthing (Elementary School Science Teacher of the Year), and Brian Hagbo (Washington State High School Physical Education Teacher of the Year). It was decided that a panel with a topic would be a good idea. The first part would be the bios. Each award winner would give a biography/background of who they are and the road they took to get there. This part will be followed with the recommendations for first year teachers. Then the room will be open for questions. It was decided that the theatre would be the best place to host this reception because there are now four winners. The reception will be held on either February 12th or 17th, between 4:30 and 6:00pm.

8. ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned at 9:54am