**UNIVERSITY TEACHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE  
October 31, 2011  
Horrabin Hall 1  
3:30 – 5:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** A. Baker, G. Boynton, R. Carson, C. Dooley, R. Gabbei, R. Kelly, C. Lapka, T. La Prad (for J. Richmond), R.Lindner, R. Mann, G. Montalvo, D. Mummert, M. Phillips, A. Reuschel, B. Sonnek.

**EX-OFFICIO:** L. Barden-Gabbei.

**ABSENT:** L. Armstead, R. Foster, L. Neff, J. Olsen, J. Orris, S. Saddler, K. Schiber.

**GUESTS:** R. Morgan, M. Mossman, J. Rabchuk.

I. Minutes

A. Approval of the October 17, 2011minutes.

**FY12 MOTION #7 (Lindner, Mummert) Motion to approve the minutes from October 17, 2011. Motion approved.**

II. Action Items

1. Timing for the Mandated Reporter Requirement – Tabled Item from earlier meeting.

Carson will re-contact the state for a legal clarification on the requirements of students who are in buildings for observation or block to see if they are required to report to their mentor teachers and/or building principals.

III. Informational Items

1. IACTE Summary, Including State Mandates  
     
   Items that were discussed: beginning January 1, 2012, the cost for current student teachers’ certificates will raise to $75 and registration will be $10; beginning in February, 2012, changes in endorsements will include more upper division hours for some endorsements; ISBE is pushing to have all students pass the APT before graduation but we are ahead of the game; in September teacher evaluation based on Charlotte Danielson’s framework has been implemented. Macomb is in a good spot and will be preparing teachers for performance evaluation once they are hired; program redesign will need to have one or more courses in reading in the content areas and reading methods.   
     
   TPA – In late November there will be a call for free training as an evaluator. If you sign up for this training please be sure to read the f information carefully as you will be required to evaluate six tests per year. Those individuals who score the tests will be from local, state and national institutions. Training sessions will be a day and a half, online. Individuals will be paid $75 for scoring a test.   
     
   The TPA will include more writing and commentaries responding to prompts within the video clip. The video must show intellectual student engagement, academic vocabulary and language. The candidate will take samples of students’ work and provide feedback, which will be evaluated. Candidates will be scored on feedback they give to two students; we will want to back map so people have initial experiences. Candidates will be out in schools with varying levels of technological support so we may want to include videotaping in our TCA so we know that students have the skills to complete this requirement.

These new requirements for the TPA are something we will need to address during our program redesign. This will be challenging. We will need to embed signature assessments along the way that will lead to the TPA as the culminating test. We will keep you informed.

Several individuals met with the Provost to inform him of the challenges we are facing in teacher education. They presented figures on the pass rates for 2009 before and after the new pass rates were implemented as well as information from the Illinois Educational Research Council that shows a strong correlation between ACT and basic skills test. Our students are passing at 25 – 30%. Decisions about admitting students to Western are also impacting the teacher education program. Carson asked Provost Hawkinson to consider what he wanted teacher education to be in the future at this institution with the redesign of programs that are coming up. He believes those kinds of decisions need to occur at the department and college level and asked that we also speak to the president. They gave the Provost several examples of problems teacher education is facing and explained that the changes are hitting every teacher education program in the state not just WIU. Enrollments are going down statewide and schools may be recruit students who passed the basic skills test to switch to their institutions.

1. State Annual Report Update  
     
   Phillips sent enrollment data via email to you with fall ’10 and spring ’11 information. You should be able to use your password from last year.
2. NCATE Visit Updates  
     
   The NCATE visit schedule is on the TPEP website. The accreditation team will arrive on Saturday, November 5th. The visit runs from Sunday, November 6th through Tuesday, November 8th.
3. CPEP Report  
     
   Student teachers will be on campus on November 4th. You should have received an email with this information from Nancy Stoneking.
4. SEDG Report  
     
   No report.

IV. Other

V. Miscellaneous Dates to Remember

1. NCATE Accreditation Visit – Sunday, November 6th through Tuesday, November 8th
2. UTEC on Monday, November 28th from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in HH 1

**FY12 MOTION #8 (Baker/Sonnek) Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved.**