**Central Teacher Education Network (CTEN)**

**Program Meeting Notes**

**September 30, 2021 at 3:15 – 4:30 pm - Webex**

**In Attendance:** C. Broadus-Garcia, B. Clark, D. DeCarlo, J. Edwards, L. Frazee, T. Goh, A. Greenwell,

H. Koulidobrova, C. Mulcahy, J. Mulrooney, J. Nicoll-Senft, A. Pautz, G. Robinson, F. Russell, L. Tafrate, P. Talty,

J. Thomas, J. Turner, J. Visone

**CTEN Meeting Minutes** – Motion to approve May 6, 2021 minutes.  Approved.

**CTEN meetings for 2021-22 academic year** (3:15 – 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, September 30, 2021

Thursday, November 4, 2021

Thursday, December 2, 2021

Thursday, February 3, 2022

Thursday, March 3, 2022

Thursday, April 7, 2022

Thursday, May 5, 2022

**Announcements (C. Mulcahy, CTEN Director)**

**Dean’s Office Update (J. Mulrooney)**

* J. Mulrooney will have more to share after the first Social and Emotional Center meeting is held this semester. J. Edwards reached out to J. Mulrooney and offered assistance since N. Marquez Greene has left CCSU. We have a good group and will keep the program moving forward.
* The MAT program has returned, and we have started accepting students for Spring 2022, instead of summer so that it realigns with some of the course work for the students. J. Mulrooney is the coordinator for the MAT for now. The site location has been moved from Special Education to the SEPS Dean’s home page under departments. <https://www.ccsu.edu/seps/departments.html>

**Updates**

**Living Learning Communities (C. Mulcahy)**

* C. Mulcahy noted that last semester we did not have the numbers we were looking for so the plan to move forward is with better recruiting, marketing, and advertising to make more students aware of the Living Learning Communities. This will give the students an opportunity to add the LLC to their schedule before they register for their courses. J. Mulrooney added that we hope to run a small pilot this spring which will help us gain better ideas for Fall 2022.

**Engagement and Retention of 1st and 2nd Year Students (C. Mulcahy)**

* We have first- and second-year students who declare an interest in education when they first enter CCSU but there is little engagement with this group of students before they apply to the program. We would like to engage and recruit them earlier in the process with Living Learning Communities and JumpStart so that we do not lose them along the way. Along with the Advocacy and Policy Committee, we would like to create a community event to be held in the fall to bring our current students together with the 1st and 2nd year students to help build a sense of community.

**Ed Rising and Next Gen Educators (C. Ciotto and P. Talty)**

* P. Talty has been meeting with high schools regarding NextGen and will hold a district orientation with Cheshire, Monroe, Wolcott, Waterbury, Newington, New Britain, Bristol, etc. The districts are looking forward to working with our students. B. Clark and J. French will place their interested students in Bristol and New Britain districts, and they will complete their field experience while they are engaged in NextGen activities. Student placements into the school districts will take place the week of October 5.

**CAEP**

* The full CAEP report was submitted to CAEP on June 30th, and we are waiting for feedback. C. Ciotto and the Dean’s office will continue to be proactive by taking steps to make sure we are ready to respond to whatever feedback is received and to continue to work on initiatives. Next, we will need to prepare for a site visit.
* Y. Liu used to run the Taskstream reports and we are looking for someone to take her place to work with the Dean’s office on Taskstream. Currently, R. Bradley is helping us do some of the work.

**Subcommittee Membership** *(Chair in bold type)*

* Appeals and Student Support: **Michael Bartone,** Jim Delaura, Jessica Edwards
* Assessment: **Tan Leng Goh,** Jacob Werblow
  + Another faculty member is needed for this committee. Let C. Mulcahy or T. Goh know if you are interested.
* Partnership: **Jeremy Visone,** Leah Frazee, Maria Mitchell, Felice Russell
* Policy and Advocacy: **Amanda Greenwell,** Jesse Turner - Motion to add J. French to the committee.

(J. Turner, F. Russell) Motion carried. Approved.

**New Business**

**CTEN Goals for 2021-2022**

**Goals moving forward and is working with each of the subcommittees and will ask them to take leadership with some of the goals. Last year we had two advisory board meetings.**

* Ensure clarity around Field Experience expectations and establish across programs:
* Will monitor the expectations that we establish across all our programs for field experience for our students in their 1st and 2nd semester and the 3rd semester of their pre-service program so that there is consistency with what the courses are asking so that the schools and host teachers know what we are asking are asking to develop consistency.
* Continue to develop and engage K-12 and University partnerships.
* Increased engagement with first- and second-year students at CCSU who have declared an interest in the Teacher Education program.
* A review of the placement, and monitoring of the social and emotional, dyslexia and computer science modules.
  + It would be good to take a look this year at where the modules are in the programs, when students are asked to complete them, to see if the modules need updating, and how they are being monitored.
* Develop a series of panels on social justice and anti-discriminatory education.
  + Y. Liu, M. Barton, J. Visone, C. Mulcahy talked to the Partnerships Committee about developing a series of panels. This may be something we can offer to our district partners to help develop a relationship.
* Create a list of resources for faculty on social justice and anti-discriminatory education.
* Cycle back to Praxis I cut score decision.
  + At this point, we will table the cut score for Praxis I for a variety of reasons and will table this for now to see how it transpires.

**Additional Announcement**

* C. Broadus-Garcia: The Art Education Exhibition featuring the work of our education students will be opening in the Chen Art Gallery in Maloney Hall from October 7 – 28.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:45 p.m. (J. Turner/C. Broadus-Garcia) Approved.

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