MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
COUNCIL ON TEACHER EDUCATION
August 18, 2010
3:08 p.m. – 4:35 p.m.
Conference Room A, 505 E. Green, Ste. 203

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brenda Clevenger-Evans (CoTE), Linda Hemminger, Walter Hurley (ACES), Christine Jenkins, (GSLIS), Kristi Kuntz (Provost), Brenda Lindsey (SW), Chris Roegge (CoTE), Marian Stone (FAA), Mildred Trent (COE), Phyllis Vanlandingham (LAS)
MEMBERS ABSENT: Ave Alvarado (GC), Marge Jerich (CoTE), Mary Kalantzis (COE), Renique Kersh (AHS)

1. Approval of Minutes and Announcements: The meeting was called to order by Roegge at 3:08 p.m.
   a. Welcome and announcements: Roegge welcomed all and mentioned he still needed nominations for one faculty at large member and two student members. He requested nominations be sent to him via e-mail.

   b. Approval of minutes of April 21 and July 21: Roegge asked if there were any additions or corrections to either of the minutes. Mildred Trent would like the April minutes to show that she was present. There were no suggested changes to the July minutes. Vanlandingham moved to approve the minutes as amended (April only), Linda Hemminger seconded.

   c. Additions to the agenda: There were no additions.

   d. Executive Director’s Report: Roegge reported that Eric Ohlsson is currently working on the annual certification reports. He hopes to have them compiled the week of August 23rd. Roegge will have them created into PDF files and will send to the committee.

On July 22nd Chris attended a meeting at ISU with Chris Koch, State Superintendent. At the meeting it was discussed that Illinois adopted the common core standards (English and Math are complete). In the future these standards will replace the Illinois standards. In the coming year there will be a task force to identify commonalities between Illinois Standards and the National Standards coupled with professional development. Implementation is expected to be in 2014 or 2015. We should expect revisions to the content standards.

On August 2nd Chris attended the public deans’ meeting and they discussed how to use the teacher assessment data for influencing policy and for teaching/preparation of teachers.

Roegge announced the NCTQ report is to go public on October 28th. The public deans are working on a draft of comments regarding the report to be released prior to its (NCTQ report) release.

On August 4th Chris met and interviewed with Chris Koch and Linda Tomlinson regarding an appointment to the Illinois State Teacher Certification Board. He had a good conversation regarding changes to the State requirements, standards and selectivity in teacher preparation programs.

Roegge announced the University/Council signed a new contract with the Chicago Public School (CPS). In order to have student teachers in CPS, universities must sign the CPS contract. The new contract states all criminal background checks (CBC) must be done through CPS. This will impact the students in the CPS schools as they will have to pay for a CBC through the Council and again through CPS.

Roegge announced the University received its official extension for the ISBE review.

2. Proposals: Clevenger asked if anyone had any questions regarding the proposal, “To create an Agricultural Leadership and Science Education major in the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Science” that
was disseminated earlier to the committee. Hemminger requested clarification regarding the two tracks, one Agricultural education and the other Agricultural Leadership. Jenkins moved to approve the proposal, Vanlandingham seconded, and the committee unanimously approved. The proposal will be forwarded to the Provost’s office for further action.

3. Matters for Discussion/Action:
   a. Teacher Graduate Assessment: Roegge mentioned at the August 2nd public deans meeting the 2010 Teacher Graduate Assessment was distributed. The costs will be held to the same level as previous year. Roegge will send a request to the provost’s office for funding. The Council has the report electronically and members are welcome to the information. If anyone would like, Eric Ohlsson can parse out by program.

   b. Revised CoTE Policy Manual: Roegge handed out the policy manual table of contents to show the committee the revisions the Council is working on. Prior to approval, the Council will send the committee electronic copies of the proposed revisions for review prior to approval and implementation. In addition, Roegge will have the bylaws put into a PDF and will send to the committee before the next meeting. Roegge mentioned the program coordinators responsibilities should probably be addressed in addition to the others.

   c. S/U Grades and “C” Rule: Roegge mentioned an Associate Dean at the public deans’ meeting indicated that institutions would need to put in writing that “S” grades were equivalent to a C or better for S/U grading. Roegge hasn’t heard this from ISBE and will seek further clarification.

4. Updates/Reports:
   a. Electronic Portfolio Workshop: Roegge stated he did get an e-portfolio committee together. Programs with e-portfolios will conduct a presentation/discussion at the program coordinators meeting on August 26th from 1:30 – 3:30. The Council Exec members are welcome to attend.

   b. Exit Survey Data Access: Roegge mentioned he sent everyone an e-mail regarding access. He will resend information as a reminder.

   c. TFW processing updates: Roegge mentioned the Council has made minor changes on how it processes the TFW in an effort to be more efficient and reduce paper.

   d. NCTQ responses: Roegge indicated he spent a good deal of his summer working on the NCTQ response. It is due out in late October.

   e. ISBE update: Clevenger announced the Illinois Professional Teaching Standards (IPTS) had been approved and are now in the rules. The Council will work with the committee to develop a timeline for when revisions need to be completed. Hemminger asked if there would be money available to help pay for the work on the revisions.

5. Information Items: none

6. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 pm.

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