

Council on Teacher Education *Executive Committee* Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 18, 2023
3:30-5:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (September 20, 2023, Meeting)

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Sarah McCarthy and seconded by Mari.

APPROVAL OF PROGRAMS' CRTLS ALIGNMENTS: (Please see materials in Box Folder)

The CRTL UIUC Campus Leadership Team reviewed proposals for both programs and recommended them for ISBE approval. Suzanne summarized the CRTL Proposals for Elementary Education and Speech Pathology and reviewed the alignments for the Executive Committee's Approval.

Elementary Alignment: Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning Standards

Program faculty successfully identified their strengths with in the CRTL standards and Suzanne highlighted two standards identified for improvement:

- **Leveraging student advocacy**
- **Family and community collaboration**

After reviewing strategies and assessment methods which paid special attention to the standards above, the CRTL team determined the proposed activities and assignments addressed all required standards. Suzanne reviewed the proposed activities to be tied into field experiences and student teaching.

Brenda Lindsey motioned to approve and Sarath MCarthy seconded. The committee approved the alignments.

Speech Pathology Alignment: Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning Standards

The SLP program aligned its clinical coursework with new standards set by the Council on Academic Accreditation. Included is a standalone standard which emphasizes cultural competence, diversity, equity, and inclusion. The program faculty are confident in their instruction and assessment of the CRTL standards.

Suzanne summarized three standards Identified for improvement:

- **Standard A: Self-awareness and relationship to others**
- **Standard D: Students as co-creators**
- **Standard E: Students as individuals**

The SLP program provided abundant examples of instruction and assessment related to the CRTL standards to the CRTL leadership team. Suzanne highlighted some of the activities and assignments reflective of this.

Brenda Lindsey motioned to approve. Sarath McCarthy seconded. The committee approved the alignments.

WORK WITH CO-OPS:

Jill discussed the main points from CoTE's meeting with the superintendents of ROE 9. There is a strong interest in recruiting UIUC licensure candidates and doctoral students.

AGENDA ITEM FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 MEETING

Jill presented an overview of key topics related to the preparation of teacher candidates. These issues are currently under discussion at the state level and should be on the Council's radar, as it may need to issue a statement in the future. The council has contributed their insights on these matters.

- Micro-credentialling
- Credit for prior learning (e.g., working with Educators Rising, dual credit, Grow Your Own)
- Teacher apprenticeship/residencies
- Teacher Quality conversations (e.g., Grand Canyon State University and licensure in Illinois)
- Paying teacher candidates

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

Jill provided important updates regarding the following legislative updates:

- Public Act 103-0157 will be moving to Public Comment. Public comment will be requested later in October. This should remain on the Council's radar as Chicago Public Schools will be offering a pilot program for designing and implementing the offering of subsequent endorsements.
- Trauma Informed Education State Committee: Public Act 103-0413 mandates the creation of a committee to recommend changes to the professional educator licensure and renewal requirements for teachers. Jill nominated Lynn Burdick and Catherine Corr to represent higher education on this committee.

UPDATES:

- Jill provided a general update on the progress of CoTE's systems-wide portal project. CoTE will be asking program personnel to join focus groups to aid in the development of the portal project.
- Jill informed the Council of a recent discussion with ISBE regarding the school social work content test. ISBE is revisiting their vendor for the content test. Brenda Lindsey additionally provided deeper input regarding this discussion.
- Jill provided a general update on the Entitlement audit and remediation plan progress.