



WINTHROP UNIVERSITY • SCHOOL Partnership Network

Partnership Advisory Council

March 2, 2023 ~ 4:15 – 5:30 pm

Virtual meeting through Zoom:

<https://winthrop-edu.zoom.us/j/81932874367?pwd=YmJmOdkWlLamRWoxcrSHINWDZSsz09>

I. Welcome and Announcements – Bettie Parsons Barger

- A. PD Opportunities for Special Education teachers – Dr. Amy Clausen
 - 1. PD session for teachers with students with extensive support needs
 - a) Systematic instruction - evidence based - practices - Sat. April 15 9 am – 12 pm –
 - b) Please share with any teachers in your district. Teacher assistants as well!
 - c) Room for 60 people - so far 12 signed up
 - d) If teachers have kids with them, that's fine.
 - e) 3 hours professional development - certificate of completion
 - f) Completely free
 - g) Questions?
 - h) Flyer - attached

II. Internship Placements – Dia Hablutzel

- A. We are updating our lists of mentor/host teachers and preparing for fall Internship requests. Dia will contact liaisons in March after finishes meetings with Winthrop faculty to determine placements needs by program area.
- B. Link to mentor teacher application and administrator recommendation: [Winthrop University: COE - James and Susan Rex Institute for Educational Renewal and Partnership - Mentor and Host Teachers](#)
- C. For liaisons at elementary schools, please review with your principal your current host/mentor teacher list to determine which teachers you currently recommend to mentor year-long interns in early childhood and elementary grades.
- D. Also looking for additional mentors in special education.
- E. For placements in middle level, secondary and K-12 programs, Dia will reach out with specific requests.
- F. Teachers not interested or not yet eligible to mentor interns can apply as host teachers for early and content methods field experiences. Teachers who apply as mentors can also be considered for these experiences and do not need to apply separately as host teachers.
- G. Ideally, mentor teachers for interns have attended the State mentor training (two days), which Kristin will talk more about later in the agenda. Other training options are SCTS 4.0 training through school districts and an abbreviated ADEPT session Kristin offers in August and January.

III. Liaison Compensation Paperwork – Jamie Larsen

- A. Background Checks - Due to a recent Human Resources (HR) policy change, temporary off-campus part-time employees must now complete background checks.
 - 1. Spring liaisons will receive an email about background checks from Ms. Larsen and then HR.
- B. New Liaisons/Liaisons Changing from Volunteer to Paid - Need to complete new hire packets which include background checks, several new forms, and I-9 forms.
- C. Returning Liaisons - I9 forms expire every 3 years. Ms. Larsen will contact you if your I9 has expired with instructions on how to complete a new I9 form.

IV. Changes in EDCO 201 and 202 – Bettie Parsons Barger

- A. Full semester courses
- B. Multilingual and special education - worked in schools in the Spring - 8 week course - in schools whole semester - but 2 short courses
- C. Decided to move this to a full-semester course - meet once on Tues. and once on Thurs. - same classes but spread out.
- D. In the field both of those mornings - coursework and class time does not change
- E. Extra time allowed them to process the extra content easier and more readily
- F. Appreciative of those who host EDCO 201 and 202 courses

V. Trainings – Kristin Culbreath

- A. Mentor Training Sessions - June 6 & June 7, 2023.
- B. Once approved, we'll send info to liaisons and then to mentors.
- C. New Liaison Training/Materials
 - 1. We're in the process of updating materials and getting group started so you can network with each other - whole group, network, training, etc.
 - 2. In early August, we will meet to discuss the expectation of liaisons & roles with mentors, etc.

VI. Liaison Discussion Time – breakout rooms

- A. Middle School - Professional Development Day - panel - session for any teacher interested (even new teachers looking forward to future) on how to be a mentor / 75 teachers - 15 teachers interest in becoming a host or mentor teacher
- B. Elementary School - PLC themselves - concerns about supervisors that were addressed

VII. Announcements

- A. Dr. Hamel - summary of data from a completed survey from WU education program - we'll ask you to look through - lots of charts - at the April PAC meeting
 - 1. We'll look at trends and reflect on data together
- B. March 21 - Diversity in Education Conference - almost 200 registered
 - 1. 30 sessions
 - 2. Look forward to hosting you!
- C. Campus Events
 - 1. Summer Camps in the Instructional Technology Center (ITC) - coding
 - a) Volunteer opportunities for high school students.
 - 2. Project Based Learning - Dr. Costner
 - 3. Marshall Jones - recruiting for new MAT Learning Design & Technology - link forthcoming

VIII. Updates

- A. Diversity Conference – March 21st in Withers
 - 1. Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/toward-belonging-moving-beyond-diversity-buzzwords-tickets-548131033677?aff=ebdsbdestsearch>
- B. Newsletter ideas? (send ideas to Jamie Larsen)
 - 1. Field experiences/ intern success
- C. [Partnership Network brochures](#)
- D. Banners - WU and school split replacement banner cost – approx. \$60 each

IX. Future PAC Meetings

A. April 20, 2023

X. Adjournment

Next Virtual Meeting Date: April 20, 2023

(see website for future dates, agendas, and minutes <http://www2.winthrop.edu/rex/rex/council.html>)