



WINTHROP UNIVERSITY • SCHOOL Partnership Network

Partnership Advisory Council Minutes

January 19, 2023 ~ 4:15 – 5:30 pm

Virtual meeting through Zoom:

<https://winthrop-edu.zoom.us/j/81932874367?pwd=YmJJM0dKdWlLamRWOXcrSHINWDZSz09>

I. Welcome and Announcements – Bettie Parsons Barger

II. edTPA Data Analysis – Erin Hamel

- A. [Data](#)
- B. [Discussion](#) - Breakout Rooms
- C. Google Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1weYLLEPUJ_CS8GGJr9rA0Amr-8fqF0ga4gXbLL4qS70/edit

III. Modified Balanced Schedules – Bettie Parsons Barger

- A. Schools on different calendars this year
- B. [Discussion](#) - Implications for internship – benefits and challenges- Breakout Rooms
- C. We will keep google doc open so you can continue adding ideas and thoughts.

IV. Partnership Conference and Professional Development – Lisa Johnson

A. Winthrop University - Richard W. Riley College of Education Diversity Conference – March 21, 2023 - Withers Building - ***Toward Belonging: Moving Beyond Diversity Buzzwords.***

- 1. Dr. Erin Hamel & Dr. Crystal Glover - Diversity Conference Planning Subcommittee
 - a) From email - Each of us, in broad and specific ways, is a change agent working to support the health and well-being of people and communities. In this sense, we are all *educators*. We strive to create healthy families, learning spaces, workplaces, and communities where individuals from all races, colors, genders, sexual orientations, lifestyles, social classes, national origins, religions, ethnicities, ages, and abilities will personally experience authentic belonging. Belonging cannot be fully realized without the centering of voices and co-construction of communal spaces. Thus, we have created this one-day experience to highlight the power of individual and collective educational endeavors that explore, connect, and move us forward *toward belonging*.
- 2. Dr. Lester McCorn, President of [Clinton College](#), will kick off the conference as keynote speaker
- 3. Registration information is forthcoming.
- 4. We'd love to see you there!

B. Lisa Johnson - We wanted to host the large Diversity Conference this year but we also want to start thinking about future PAC Professional Development (PD) offerings.

- 1. PAC started in 2010 and it's time to reinvent ourselves. We've always had engaged participants but we're looking at PD offerings to see if there is something we should be doing that we aren't.
- 2. Broad questions about what PD conferences/sessions should look like or if they are worth having
 - a) Does a big conference like this year's Diversity Conference work or are smaller sessions better? Summer vs. during the year?

- (1) Response: I think teachers would appreciate a really focused one day PD conference and then let's take what we've learned back to the school.
 - b) Substitutes - We could cover for each other if there is a session a teacher really wants/needs to attend.
 - c) Teachers have early release dates and PD Days when PAC could offer PD sessions.
 - (1) How early would we have to schedule these? Pretty early (Sept.)
 - d) If you need credit hours, you would already have them for unless it's for the next go around.
 - e) Feedback: For this year's PAC virtual PD conference, the virtual sessions did not receive good feedback.
 - f) Offer a co-teaching session in the summer that more people might attend?
 - g) Learning what other people are doing in other places.
 - h) It sounds like we could have a variety of structures - early evening, longer sessions, school year, and in the summer.
3. PD Content
- a) Engagement; classroom environment; emotional resilience; and classroom management (in relation to the structure of your classroom)
 - b) We are hearing from Mentor Teachers that interns seem to be very overwhelmed - they think they're doing something wrong - let them know, this is normal, it's not you, this is the profession.
 - c) Everyone is feeling overwhelmed. How to deal with burnout? Ask for guidance from Ed Leadership faculty?
 - (1) Part of it is a trickledown effect - school administrators are working until 10 p.m. and getting up at 5:45 a.m. for example.
4. Next year we could try a couple of things and the next year a couple more.
5. We want faculty to learn as well.
6. We may have a proposal next meeting for professional development options.
- C. [Discussion](#) - Breakout Rooms

V. Updates

- A. Newsletter ideas? (send ideas to Jamie Larsen) - larsenj@winthrop.edu
 - 1. Success stories or great stories about interns or field experiences. Art, poetry, STEAM projects, etc. Send us pictures too!
- B. [Partnership Network brochures](#) - Let us know if you need more.
- C. Banners - WU and school split replacement banner cost – approx. \$60 each
 - 1. Include school bookkeeper's name/contact info so the sign company can contact them for payment.
- D. WU COE Diversity Conference - Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

VI. Future PAC Meetings

- A. March 2, 2023 virtual
- B. April 20, 2023

VII. Adjournment

Next Virtual Meeting Date: March 2, 2023

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