



WINTHROP UNIVERSITY • SCHOOL  
**Partnership Network**

**Partnership Advisory Council**

**Thursday, April 21, 2022**

**4:15 – 5:30 p.m.**

Virtual meeting through Zoom

*Attended: Barger, Grant, Rainey, A. Williams, Huntington, B. Costner, Cathcart, Galeota, Hablutzel, Brandt, K. Costner, L. Williams, Dessecker-Lawson, L. Harris, Queen, L. Tucker, Lynn Johnson, Hoyt, Ruhe, Larsen, Crochet, Miller, etc.*

**Welcome and Announcements - Carolyn Grant**

- A. Host Teacher Allotments (HTAs)
  - 1. Emails will be sent soon
- B. Dia Hablutzel - update on placements
- C. Meet & Greet - days/times
- D. Carolyn Grant retiring this summer

**II. Liaison Share Out – Bettie Parsons**

- A. Break out rooms by school level (elementary, middle/intermediate, and high school).
  - 1. Lack of initiative with Junior Field
  - 2. Schools are working hard on motivation but the past couple of years we have worked so differently virtually, zoom, and various forms of flexibility but now students, teachers, and interns need to reign it in.
  - 3. High School - Difficulty of Spring semester, a lot of adjustments to fill in for teachers who have been pulled. Field trips - it's common for a host teacher not to be on campus the day there is a scheduled field experience. We need a firm commitment from host teachers that they will be there if they said they will host.
    - a) Is a Fall semester option easier? Scale back on the number?
  - 4. Elementary - Lack of initiative (even without the pandemic).
    - a) Competition of politeness - student doesn't want to step on teacher's toes and teacher is saying feel free to do such and such or not saying directly, "Go check on that table." Role as a mentor is to tell student to go do something - unless this is done seriously some will go back to the shadows until they know it's a good/safe thing to do.
  - 5. We can't assume interns are ready to do something - we need to reiterate this with our host and mentor teachers.
  - 6. Good discussions. We will try to have break out rooms more often during PAC meetings.
- B. Mentioned - New Liaison Training - Dr. Barger would love to get a few veteran liaisons to meet with her about developing training for new liaisons. Please email [bargerbp@winthrop.edu](mailto:bargerbp@winthrop.edu) if you're interested.
  - 1. Interested: Michelle Ruhe, Charlene Cathcart, Debra Miller, Lauren Williams, Alexis Rainey, and Megan Hoyt.

### III. Field Experience Feedback

- A. Early Field, Field, and internships
- B. Breakout rooms by experience: early field, field, internship
- C. Questions:
  - 1. What went well?
  - 2. What were some trends or patterns you noticed?
  - 3. How can we support host teachers, mentors, & liaisons during field?
- D. Thank you for this info. We will take this to the Field Experience committee for review.
  - 1. [docs.google.com/document/d/1kC\\_Gz1YPyUUMXe2LsxZdaTrpelhaSICBaLAJxlgEVD4/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kC_Gz1YPyUUMXe2LsxZdaTrpelhaSICBaLAJxlgEVD4/edit)

### IV. Partnership Conference: Hybrid

- A. Save the Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2022
- B. Thank you to all who signed up to serve on the committee and/or to review proposals.
- C. Some live-stream presentations and some may be pre-recorded.
- D. Suicide prevention - 90 minutes - interested in June or another time?
  - 1. Comment - Definitely needed but maybe later. Middle level is hard - Middle-Level are going to assist Elementary Level counselors. Maybe in early August.
  - 2. Mental Health 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Training - very intense - 8 hours - Help teachers develop tools to help students survive in that moment and get them to the resources they need.  
How to work with someone experiencing a crisis situation (not to the level of suicidal) but panic-attacks (for example). Background in some different mental health problems and why someone is reacting the way they are. What to do until a trained professional is able to be there or found. Faculty member in the College of Education's Physical Education, Sport, & Human Performance (PESH) Department. We hope to offer training this summer and Fall.
  - 3. Comment - This is a very important topic, especially in the High School level. Social Emotional Learning (SEL) is the new focus for Fort Mill School District --would really align.

### V. Updates

- A. Carolyn Grant - SC mentor Teacher training - emailed info yesterday and today.
- B. This summer - Cognitive Coaching training - self-reflective motivated teachers - Dr. Barger if you are interested let Dr. Barger know.
  - 1. Interested: Michelle Ruhe
- C. Internship Certificate - 16 teacher candidates were recommended - interviewing now - some of you have assisted with interviews. January 2023 these students will become full-time teacher of record.
- D. Lorrie Crochet - new CVPA Associate Dean - new to PAC
- E. Newsletter ideas? Spring editions (send ideas to Bettie Parsons)
- F. Collaboration Proposals

(see website for future dates, agendas, and minutes -  
<https://www.winthrop.edu/coe/rex/partnership-advisory-council.aspx>)