

OAPCTE Executive Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2004
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
MVNU Polaris Campus
Columbus, Ohio

Members Present: Phil Bassett, Dottie Erb, Chris Krol, Suzanne McFarland, Tom Lashley, Ann Shelly, Judy Wahrman (President).

Guests Present: Pamm Greene, ODE.

1. President, Judy Wahrman, called the meeting to order.
2. Minutes of the May meeting were approved.
3. Tom Lashley reported on Senate Bill 2, legislation to implement recommendations from the Governor's Commission on Teaching Success. He agreed to prepare a draft statement and rationale that 2 teacher education faculty and 2 higher education administrators be included in the membership of the Educator Standards Board. Tom's draft will be sent to Judy and then to OAPCTE membership for input before being sent to Senator Gardner. An attempt will be made to get SUED to sign this document along with OAPCTE. Tom plans to meet with Sen. Gardner to discuss the bill, pledge testimony of our membership. A motion to proceed as suggested was made, seconded, and passed.
4. Related to Senate Bill 2, a discussion of the articulation agreement expected of public 4-year institutions with 2-year schools included recognition that private IHEs will not be required to participate in such agreements, although many already have these in place. The OAPCTE position includes support of regional, but not statewide, agreements. Issues of the quality of AA courses in both general ed and professional ed as well as candidate ability to successfully complete programs and licensure exams were discussed. Nevertheless, there was consensus that OAPCTE understands this need and is in agreement with the spirit of this section of the bill.
5. Pamm gave the ODE update, summarized in a handout. Highlights include:
 - Special Praxis testing date scheduled in Ohio August 9.
 - ParaPro cut score of 456 has been recommended to State Board. It may be passed in July and will be implemented as soon as passed.
 - NCATE training at Ashland June 23-26 will be conducted by Donna Golnick for teams from institutions preparing for an initial visit under NCATE 2000 standards.
 - ODE staffing is a concern in that the Associate Director and two consultant positions are currently open.
 - NCATE has approved a 7 year cycle for program approval. Ohio will mirror this with a five year visit following initial approval and seven year cycles beyond that.
6. OTELAC report
7. Concerns, Issues, Priorities

- Establish timelines for submission of materials, such as the Academic Content Standards documents.
 - Guidelines are needed for the Literacy Specialist license and the Middle Childhood Endorsement.
 - Diversity issues include challenges in recruiting candidates, finding diverse cooperating teachers, and few males in early childhood programs.
8. Dottie reported on the AICUO task force. One meeting has been held with a focus on the external standards. The issue of changes on campus to meet these standards was not discussed. Feedback from the first meeting will be shared with OAPCTE membership and responses will be taken to the next meeting.
 9. Other Senate Bill 2 topics discussed were the alternative license for principals, the August 14 meeting for Ed Leadership programs, a potential credential review board, and the possible creation of regional service agencies.
 10. OFIC has \$200,000 from Ameritech which may be a potential source of funding for the technology proposal from two or so years ago.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sonja J. Smith

OAPCTE Secretary

NOTE: At 2:30 in the afternoon about 15 OACTE members met with Lou Staffilino, Executive Director of the Center for the Teaching Profession at ODE, and Tom Bordenkircher, Consultant, to discuss communication between ODE and OACTE members, staffing at ODE, support for program approval, BOE training, on-site visits, and working together to support Teacher Education.