

**EPPAC**  
**Educator Preparation Provider Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 5:00 PM**  
**WLU Highlands Center**  
**Room 209**

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Effective January 15, 2022

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- Grow Your Own
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- Day of Giving
- Other



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**In Attendance:** Sarah Schimmel, Ken Sexton, Miriam Roth-Douglas, Alexis Montes, Cyndi Galloway, Lisa McGee, Ronnie Hulewicz, Jodi Oliveto, Susan Nolte, Leslie Kosanovic, Zac Shutler, Woody Yoder, JoAnn White, Ana Klemm, Zach Klemm, Jessica Yost, Juliann Allman, Douglas McCall, Meredith Dailer

**Meeting Begin:** 5:00 PM

**Welcome:** Sarah Schimmel

**Highlands Center Manager Update: Phil Carl**

Our Highlands Center has 12,00 sq. feet of classroom space that is being repurposed. Supporting the needs of education, but also the community around us and are still hosting evening classes. The main focus moving forward is hosting meetings like this one. Continuing education, non-profit board meetings, etc.

A lot of open spaces are available for use, 7 days a week. A regional science fair was hosted here a couple weeks ago.

Reach out to Phil Carl with any questions: [phillip.carl@westliberty.edu](mailto:phillip.carl@westliberty.edu)

**Sarah Schimmel**--Request to record meeting, no objections.

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Several obstacles, but schools have received their funds for student stipends.

- Valid through 2023
- Working on ways to make this sustainable
- The EOY Expenditure Report is required
- Sarah, Clarification-R2 student stipend \$2,000. Southern states have had problems with thinking that this stipend is for sub pay..we haven't had that problem here in our schools.

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- Residency 2 students should be paid at a substitute salary based on a bachelor's degree.
- Students should not be covering vacancies without pay--R2s should be paid for any coverage that they are pulled for. The stipend is not meant to pay them for this time.
- They are not required to sub 10 days. It is completely optional. On the other hand, if the EPP doesn't think the student is ready to sub, they can be denied that.
- K-12s can reach out to WLU to request R2s to sub if needed. They can sub up to 10 days in their home school.

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- Updated Licensure and Testing Directory including updated exemptions
  - Found online
  - Shows new praxis #'s
- Please ensure your candidates have completed the currently required test as per policy (listed in the Directory)
  - Must pass praxis II before entering R2/Student teaching
- Reminder basic skills test have no expiration to be used (any basic skills test that has been required before may be used)
- Fingerprints should not be completed by candidate until WVDE (Certification) receives the application
  - Fingerprinting **must** be done **after** they submit their application and receive a code by email.

- Make sure that the cooperating teachers and their years of experience (3 or more and hold a 5 yr teaching certificate) are listed on the applications (Form 24, 24A, 24B or 24R) and that the job posting is included if submitting a Form 3
  - If a teacher has only taught 2 years, you can submit to the state with a letter of recommendation from their principal. Stating that they are capable of hosting a student teacher in their classroom. And the state will allow this.

- State has a new website: about all pathways to licensure.

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- Introductions-around the room
- Cathy Monteroso - New assignment as Interim Provost
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- **Mini Residency Placements**
  - This is the time before their final year that they have a placement. We start them in their minors. We hope that from this mini placement, they know where they are going and what their schedule will be. We don't want them to be seen as an observer in the classrooms, but a co-teacher.
  
- **Center for Arts and Education Updates--Lou Karas**
  - Lou currently has 3 GA's in the center.
  - Able to have kids back on campus. Currently has 4 pending requests for activities. We welcome PK-HS. If Lou can help coordinate anything for you, she would be happy to do that. Recently, a group of students made parade floats, puppets, and balloons for study on the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.
  - Center has resources that they can lend out to schools. Most popular item right now is the polaroid camera, but if there is something that you're in need of you can check with Lou.
  - Carnegie Mellon partnerships
    - Create Lab--part of the robotics institute. Nearby Data project. How do we introduce students to what data is and how to take ownership of their data? How to use visual mapping tools that are available (earth time is an example of a mapping tool) Looking at how to introduce elementary students to data.
    - Entertainment technology center-brings together artists, engineers, graphic designers, many different fields--in their second year, they take on clients. "Wondermath". Target 4th and 5th grade, wlu students and students in the community tested it and it's now available.
    - Currently brainstorming for next year and is open to any ideas or suggestions.
    - Continuing connected classroom series. Planning a spring and summer series. Setup graduate courses for teachers to get credit for recertification and pay. Series workshops are free, but there is a cost for the grad credits. Will begin in Mid-March and run through May. Then June-July. Lou is open to ideas for presentation ideas or anyone who might be interested in presenting.
  
- **Grow Your Own**
  - Ohio County has reached out to partner with us on this
  - The Percentage of teachers that are leaving the field is very high.
  - Sarah and Nicole go to Morgantown in a couple weeks to get some more information on this.
  
- **Graduate Assistants**
  - Hoping to have 7 GA's in the Fall. Half of those positions should be open.
  - We are open to bringing in students from other institutions. If you know anyone in their final year of undergrad that might be interested, the position is already posted online. They don't have to be in the field of education, but that does help.
  - 2 of Lou's GA's will be graduating, so there will be openings in the Spring 2023 as well...not just Fall 2022
  
- **New Graduate Faculty - Welcome Richard Whitehead**
  - Leadership faculty. From Brooke County. He begins on Monday.
  
- **Nicole Ennis** is currently our interim dean in the COEHP



- **Alternative Certification**
  - We do have the 4th option that we offer
  - Individuals apply for alt cert through the WVDE and they choose the program that they want to go to
  - All online, 6 credits, and finish with a TPA
  - Must have BA, all praxis passed/exemptions presented, already applied as a LT Sub in a county...all of that is part of the WVDE application process.
  - We'll have a Fall cohort for this.
  
- **ILA - Reading Specialist**
  - Nicole has been working on getting this certified through ILA.
  
- **Doctoral Update**
  - We are still working on this
  - We're looking at what kind of program we want it to be. Leadership or Leadership with curriculum? Goal is for it to be a fully online, doctoral program
  - Hoping to have this ready in a couple years.
  
- **Reading Specialist**
  - If someone is looking towards not wanting to do Alt Cert, Reading Specialist is the initial cert on the grad level...this could be an option for them.
  
- **What is your ideal virtual classroom?**
  - Dr. Monteroso is working on finding funds to create this
  - We want it to be an environment where it can be used in the communities
  - Content experts (k-12) vs Content faculty. What is actually needed? What is not necessary?
  - If you're interested in discussing any of this, please reach out.
  
- **Day of Giving--Alexis Montes**
  - April 6th, DOG.
  - This is a 24 hr giving campaign, you can support specific areas at WLU
  - COEHP has a matching donor. David Beck, will match the first \$3,000. This would unlock \$6,000 for us. We had 34 COE donors last year. This year our goal is 100.
  - Funds go directly back to our students.
  - Pre-gifts will be accepted.
  - We'll be making social media posts, please share for us
  - Hoping to get some funding for undergrad praxis waivers, graduate scholarships, etc.
  
- **Other--Questions, Thoughts?**
  - Susan- R2 waiver for 10 days?
  - Overusing was a previous concern. If we would allow it they would like to use them more than 1 day/week. Susan has been telling people no, because of the overuse concern.
  - Ken-let us know what the need is and we can match a student up that is ready.
  - Susan will put it out to administrators that if there is a need to check with a cooperating teacher.
  
- We'll send email links to everyone with the updated teaching directory.

**Meeting Dismissed: 6:15PM**

*Minutes submitted by: Cyndi Galloway, Administrative Assistant*