

Diversity committee Minutes

October 25, 2017

Attending:

Dr. Nicole Vaux—Chair

Ms. Tiffany Jackson

Ms. Rhonda Mann

Dr. Yiting Chu

Welcome of Dr. Chu to the committee

Dr. Vaux opening remarks

The committee approved minutes from the last meeting.

Student officers' role on the committee. CAEP visit member said the student knew what and why we were doing and was impressed. Need to find another new student to replace Cody Williams (potentially Jonathan Hoggett, Ms. Jackson will follow up). Ms. Mann will verify Arnita Johnson and will find another one for Block 1 with Dr. Stanley. Need another student from MAT.

Recruitment

- Changed recruitment roles since the SoE is partnering with AP.
- Dr. Vaux working with Karen Witek to secure grants for local recruitment (PREP, Browse on Bayou, Majors Fair, and school visits)
- Updated list of high schools and middle schools
- Ms. Mann will check with Abbey for updates on high school contacts
 - Planning going to high schools in Richwood, Carroll, Wossman, Ouachita, Sterlington, West Monroe, West Ouachita, Neville
 - Potentially going to middle schools targeting 8th graders, e.g., Good Hope Middle, East Ouachita, West Ridge Middle, Riser Junior High, Ouachita Junior High, Lee Junior High, Carroll Junior High, Richwood Middle, Calhoun Middle, MLK Junior, High Jefferson Upper Elem, Sterlington Middle

AACTE and Praxis Prep Session ideas (5% passing rate): identifying weak areas and focus on these weaknesses. Ms. Jackson's conference fund and Dr. Clark's diversity fund could be used for content prep workshops/ conference in the Spring 18. Ms. Jackson mentioned potentially contracting with a graduate of MAT and Henry for ACT and Praxis prep (w/ small fees and charges). Dr. Powell may have expertise on ACT prep too.

CAEP Overview: tracking baseline data for the next visit that was mentioned; retention of diversity candidates after recruitment, student support group; faculty preparation for culturally responsive teaching. Differentiation between undergraduate and MAT candidates (more diverse). The committee talking about some form of exit survey for graduates on their experiences w/ the programs.

Next meeting will be scheduled in next week or two to begin addressing areas highlighted by CAEP. Will find a meeting time all members can be present.

Adjournment