I. Past Year Activity

A. Progress in Meeting Annual Goals:
   a. Increase Student Recruitment Activities
      i. Faculty attended & participated in university sponsored open houses.
      ii. Individual faculty members visited local schools to participate in college recruiting activities including:
          1. Crosby High School – Waterbury
          2. Southington High School
          3. Hartford Public High School
          4. New Britain High School
   b. Increase department outreach activities
      i. Place majors in local schools for intern activities
      ii. Place majors in local out of schools groups such as Boys & Girls Club and CPEP.
   c. No administrative changes.
   d. Special Initiatives
      i. Faculty & student participation in Rebuild New Britain program
      ii. Continue faculty & student participation and sponsorship of the following:
          1. Technology Education Collegiate Association
          2. 1st LEGO State wide competition on campus
          3. VEX Robotics state wide competition on campus
          4. Connecticut Technology Education Association Annual Conference sponsorship on campus
          5. Technology Education Student Association (high school) competitive events
          6. Human Powered Vehicle student competition
   e. Accomplishments
      i. NCATE program review approved and accepted with NO rejoinders
   f. Assessment –
      i. Continue participation in university and School of Education assessment activities including:
          1. File ‘Dispositions’ on each student in each class.
          2. Monitor pass rate on PRAXIS II Subject Area TEST for Technology & Engineering Education. Current pass rate is 98%.
          3. Appropriate report submitted to Academic Assessment Committee
II. Planning for 2012-2013

Goals

- Review undergraduate curriculum with emphasis on introducing STEM activities into the program
- Continue community outreach activities by faculty and students

Collaboration

- Collaborate with the Science Education faculty in developing a new graduate degree program that will focus on STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics)
- Develop a STEM concentration for elementary education students in coordination with faculty in the School of Education and Professional Education

Needs

- Support is needed to continue the community outreach activities of the department. An individual should be hired to assist the School and Department with the many sponsored events held on campus each year. The department recommends that a University Assistant be in place to relieve the burden currently placed on individual faculty who host the events.

Assessment

- Current assessment practices will be followed to provide appropriate program feedback.