

Central Teacher Education Network (CTEN) Meeting Minutes October 5, 2023, 3:15 – 4:30 pm HB 313 and via Zoom

In Attendance: B. Budaj, B. Clark, C. Ciotto, D. DeCarlo, J. DeLaura, A. Greenwell, T. Goh, M. Gunter, H. Koulidobrova, A. Loiselle, K. Love, M. Mackey, K. McGrath, C. Mulcahy, S. O'Connor, P. Talty, J. Thomas, J. Turner, J. Visone

CTEN Meeting Minutes - approval of April 27, 2023, minutes. Motion moved (J. Turner and J. DeLaura). Minutes accepted.

Announcements

- Reminder: next meeting on Thursday, November 30th will begin at 3pm – 4:15pm.
- Change in CTEN director and SEPS Dean
 - Cara Mulcahy has completed her 3-year term, Jeremy Visone will be serving as the interim director.
 - Paula Talty is the new Interim SEPS Dean.
- Jeremy has been working in partnership with Cromwell Public Schools on a Future Teachers Club at the high school.
 - In previous years, students have visited CCSU teacher education classes.
 - Opportunity to have CCSU faculty visit Cromwell (alternating Friday mornings).
 - Additionally bring current teacher education students to visit classrooms.

Dean's Office

- Connecticut Educator Certification Council is reviewing certification regulations within the state. Not updated since 1998.
 - Paula sits on the council, and changes could come as early as July 2024. Pressure to remove obstacles within the certification process.
 - Team has begun a vision of what an educator should look like in CT.
- Deans have been charged with meeting with representatives from each school to discuss advance academic planning. The group met last week and will meet next week to continue discussions.
 - Great conversations. Micro-credentials, adult education, working with community colleges.
 - Need to bring 3-5 recommendations to the provost by Tuesday, 10/10
- MAT Pause – no new cohort
 - SEPS decision made with students and new faculty in mind. Discussion to improve the program structure.
 - Students were in student teaching and maintaining a heavy course load.
 - Admission process will be revisited to include:
 - Interview process
 - Proposal to require Praxis II completed successfully by end of 1st semester.
- Professional Program – 68 student applications (education programs only)
 - Decision letter set to go out in late October.
 - **Save the Date: Thursday, November 9th 3pm – 4:30pm in Memorial Hall (Reception & Orientation)**
 - Traditionally more elementary students in Fall; more secondary/K-12 in Spring.

Subcommittee Updates

Subcommittees should elect a chairperson and schedule meetings dates. Include Jeremy on meetings and chairperson announcements.

- Appeals and Student Support Subcommittee: Reviewed current members.
 - D. DeCarlo, J. DeLaura, A. Loiselle
- Assessment Committee: Reviewed current members.
 - H. Abadiano, C. Ciotto, T. Goh, J. Thomas
- Partnership Subcommittee: Reviewed current members.
 - B. Budaj, M. Gunter, K. Love, C. Mulcahy, L. Scharfenberger
- Policy and Advocacy Subcommittee: Reviewed current members.
 - J. French, A. Greenwell, J. Turner, C. Ciotto

Meeting adjourned 4:04pm.