

Teacher Preparation Committee Meeting

September 19, 2011

12:45 at UTC (12:00 lunch)

Members Present: Pam Kimball, Dennis King, Carla Leathem, Laura McKnight, Judy Pusey, Mary Smith

Dates for this year's meetings – please place them on your calendars:

9/19, 10/17, 11/14, 12/19, 1/23, 2/27, 3/19, 4/23, 5/21.

Agenda Items:

- Review of May minutes & initial comments
 - Discussion of Spring Principals Breakfast. It was noted that principals were pleased to be invited. They enjoyed the breakfast and the socializing.
 - Scheduled November 4th for the next Principals Breakfast.
 - Have principals suggest a Spring date.
 - Get feedback from student teachers and field experience students re: experiences.
 - Perhaps explore “value-added” more.
 - Hot topics for principals again this year are RtI and PLC. Need to be looking at the data and determining what it means. Carla talked about interventions within the building and building a notebook of interventions. We are wondering what other districts are doing.
 - Suggested we might want to highlight different districts at each Principals Breakfast.
 - Pam will develop a tentative agenda for the Breakfast and run it by the committee for input.
 - Send committee the Feedback Sheet from the spring session.
- Identification & prioritization of this year's goals
 - Goal #1: Improve communication among PREP districts/university.
 - PREP website updating – who does that?
 - Principals breakfast
 - Goal #2: Improve program data collection.
 - Creating and implementing a Mentor Teacher Survey;
 - Reviewing and updating the Principal Survey;
 - Reviewing and updating the Teacher Candidate Survey.
 - Goal #3: Increase membership of Teacher Preparation Committee.
 - Recruitment ideas
 - Goal #4: Explore placement options and make recommendations to the University of Maine.
 - Attention to varied experiences
 - Understanding stages of development
 - Identifying appropriate interventions

- SAD#22 – PDS update given by Mary Smith.
- Pam shared the tally of the Spring Principal Survey.
 - Fewer principals responded this year.
 - Pam shared the “next steps” she has identified to follow up with principals who shared a concern or a suggestion.
- Next meeting: October 17th
 - Agenda items will include:
 - Planning for Principals Breakfast
 - Follow up from the Principals Breakfast feedback
 - Membership recruitment ideas

Thank you all for attending. Hopefully, we can get more districts involved in the near future.