

**Special Education Dept Meeting Notes
Wednesday 2/16/22, Winther 1013**

Time	Items
3:30	<p>Welcome Back</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Checking in. Congratulations to Shannon on being honored at the Women in Leadership Reception! Congratulations to Courtney on being the AERA Dissertation Award winner!
3:35	<p>Guests: Ola Bangbose shared information about the COEPS Diversity Statement. We can make comments on paper drafts or on the links in the documents below by 2/18.</p> <p>College of Education and Professional Studies Diversity Statement-DRAFT.docx - Google Docs</p> <p>Chart for feedback in meeting:</p> <p>Special Education Action Input - Diversity mission statement COEPS - Google Docs</p>
3:55 EC Folks come at this time	<p>Program Updates (3 min each)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. UWW Life Program (James) – UWW Life students will be walking during commencement! Katie S. is signed on as a GA. Locating remaining staff. 2. ABA/BCBA (Tia) – No updates. 3. Transition Certificate (James) – No updates. 4. Autism Certificate (Shannon) – No updates. 5. Dyslexia and LBLD Certificate (Amy) – New dyslexia course submitted. 6. Graduate Cross-Categorical (Shannon) – Numbers are up from this time last year. 7. ECE4U (Anne) – Articulation agreement with College of Lake County in Illinois, new admits for the summer. 8. SPECED4U (Eric) – Lots of applications. Elmbrook and Madison school districts are excited about the para program. Will need multiple sections of PIE 205. Students will be able to go straight into SPECED4U. 9. Undergraduate (Barb) – 35 students all placed in student teaching placements. 10. Adaptive License and Special Education Minors (Lama) – No updates. 11. ECE Program (Brooke & Naomi) – No updates.
4:15	<p>Committee Updates (1 min each)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Admin council – Amy – Projected that next year faculty will have \$1,000 for research dissemination. Summer pay may go back to pre-pandemic levels. Budget is in good shape due to COVID funding . Learning communities are coming back this fall. Interim Chancellor will be here through 2023. Winther Building meetings are starting again. New person hired in Foundation is being creative about fundraising. Proposal to change UWW calendar – the number of instructional days would be the same in both semesters; would match other schools in UW System, discussing about making a 1 week fall break over Thanksgiving. UWW is the first in the US with pronouns listed on IDs; will have voter ID info on cards. 2. Constituency Standards – Tia – No updates. 3. Curriculum –Rowand - No updates. 4. Dean’s Advisory- Katie Sorensen – No updates. 5. Faculty Awards- Lama – received graduate teaching award applications and reviewing soon. Next round of reviews will be early May. 6. Graduate Council – Shannon – Push for textbook rental; many think that textbook rental isn’t useful for grad students.

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Inclusive Excellence- Brooke – committee needs feedback before early March, so any feedback would be helpful. 8. International Education –Amy & Tia – 2 students on track to go to Sweden in March. Jamaica won't be open for fall. International Education meeting coming up. One student going to Ecuador. 9. Salary – Naomi – No updates. 10. Scholarship– Courtney – No updates. 11. Strategic Planning & Budget – James – No updates. 12. Teacher Education, Licensure, & Field Experiences – Barb - If we have suggestions about supervision we should share with Barb. There will be money in the budget next year to have supervisors do in-person visits. Our students are not doing well on the WI FORT and numbers have dropped in the last year. DPI is considering whether or not to keep the WI FORT. Discussed how our students struggle with reading comprehension. Discussed strategies for supporting students and WI FORT alternative. 13. Technology – Nomsa – Jon would like feedback about video recording studio opportunities. He is reaching out to ask about technology needs. They are working having on a video studio for recording in Winther. Amy will ask about video stories. Nomsa will be resigning from tech committee. Meets on Tuesdays once per month from 10:00-11:30. Email Amy if you would like to serve on this committee.
<p>4:30 ECE can leave if they wish.</p>	<p>Action Items Continued:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Search & Screen Committee (Lama) – committee met and sent feedback to Robin. No firm timeline, but should be soon. ADA search – 4 applicants. Discussed that door to the ADA/student office should be locked if no one is in there. 2. Bulletin Board to promote program (Amy) – field office has given up the bulletin board across from their office. Would like a more visible location for the bulletin board. Student workers will trade out content every 45 days. First board – why become a special educator. Put ideas into the Google Doc Amy sent by email. 3. Textbook age (Discussion) – should use newer textbooks whenever possible. If textbook is more than 5 years old look for a new textbook. 4. DPI LP Report Update (Amy) – Graduate program report was approved with no changes. Adaptive Ed and 5th year program reports are still being reviewed. 5. Rolling out newly approved programs (Amy/Rowand) – K-12 undergrad and grad programs are approved. Want to encourage all students to go over to the new programs. Kelli D. has an idea for how to do this and will take care of the bulk of the work for this. Some students may push back if they want the emphasis. 6. Other: Discussed academic advising evaluations - need to have evaluations of advising for tenure and for awards. Ad-hoc committee - Lama, Rowand, Tia, and Naomi. They will report back ideas at the March department meeting. 7. LGBTQ program/training: Will attempt to have them come in March or April and talk about campus resources and how to handle difficult situations; suggestion to come up with questions for the presenters.
<p>4:50</p>	<p>Adjourn:</p>

Announcements/Information:

1. Email Caitlin if you have Staples ordering needs.