

PDS Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2009
9:00-11:00
Cleveland Hall 205, Buffalo State College

Attendance: Leslie Day, Sarah Kwiatkowski, Maureen Gambino, Kathy Wood, Lauren Waldroff, Denise Segars-McPhatter, Tom Sadowski, Tom McCully, Lori Quigley, Nanci Monaco, Robin Zahm, David Henry, Fran Paskowitz, Hibajene Shandomo.

1. **Approval of the April 24, 2009 Minutes:** The minutes from the April 24, 2009 Advisory Council Meeting were approved with a minor correction in the attendance section. The minutes from the April 24, 2009 PDS Consortium meeting were approved.
2. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Goals/Essentials:** Sarah Kwiatkowski presented updates on the PDS liaison questionnaire that was sent out to BSC Methods Classes faculty as well as Student Teaching Supervisors in the spring. The Advisory Council would like to create a document that will put into writing the expectation of a liaison committee. More information to come at the Fall PDS meetings. 46% response rate to date; more responses are being solicited.
 - b. **Evaluation of Jim Wright Workshop:** Sarah Kwiatkowski presented the information collected from the evaluations of the Jim Wright workshop that was held at Buffalo State College on June 4, 2004. Overall, the workshops were well received, and we had many positive comments on the evaluations. Responses ranged from 4.41 to 4.6 on a 5.0 Likert scale. The overall average was 4.53 satisfaction.
 - c. **Slate Procedures:** Carla Longo is in charge of the slates for the Advisory Council. At our Fall retreat, we will vote on our nominees to the PDS Advisory Council which includes: Maureen Gambino, Kelly Pershyn, and Janet Barnes. Also, Karen Drew will be resigning from her PDS Advisory Council position and her spot will be replaced at a faculty meeting this Fall.
 - d. **Review PDS Calendar:** The Fall 2009 meetings were discussed. Our September 25, 2009 Retreat will take place at Erie 1 BOCES in West Seneca. Our November meeting will take place at Court Street Elementary in Lancaster, and the December meeting will be held at School #82. Please check the website (www.buffalostate.edu/pds) for directions and more information regarding upcoming meetings.
3. **New Business:**
 - a. **Retreat:** Retreat planning ongoing. This year's theme will be globalization with Deepa Govindaraj (Minerva Training) as the keynote speaker. The schedule of events is not set in place as of yet. The Advisory Council and the Globalization Committee are exploring the different possibilities for the day's events. BOCES from 8-3 on September 25, 2009.
 - b. **Education Alumni Chapter:** The Teacher Education Unit reactivated Education Alumni chapter is sponsoring the keynote speaker, LouAnne Johnson on October 17, 2009. All

Alumni will be invited to come to this event. They will receive a flyer at this month's alumni weekend. All of our PDS partners will also be extended an invitation. The location of the event will be somewhere on the Buffalo State College campus, depending on the response to the event.

- c. **Current PDS Status:** Lori Quigley discussed that this upcoming school year, an effort has been made to branch out and discuss ideas to incorporate PDS into the secondary education programs on our campus. The Mathematics program currently does some work with PDS. This fall, it is expected that the Art and English departments will do will more with PDS. Dr. Ponton and Dean Rochon are calling for a PDS budget for Buffalo State College that will expand across all education units.
 - d. **TEU Partnership Plans:** Teacher Education Unit Professional Advisory Council or Committee is being discussed. This group would act in an advisory capacity to the Dean.
 - e. **NCATE visit:** The NCATE focus visit will be this spring, April 11-13. Plans for the PDS are not known at this time. Unit-wide assessment and governance is the focus. TaskStream coordinators are being established.
 - f. **Assessment committee:** New rubrics are being discussed, revised, and piloted for the fall. Student teacher rubrics are aligned with NCATE requests. Dave Henry plans that the assessment committee will meet with PDS liaisons and mentoring teachers this summer for additional input. The use of flipvideo technology is suggested for the mentor-teacher candidate relationship.
 - g. **CEURE:** TQP Grant is being written by Kathy Wood for an urban/rural induction effort
 - h. **Educational Foundations Report:** Nanci Monaco has been named EDF Chair – congratulations! She shared information from the recent Chancellor visit to BSC. Suggests we showcase PDS through the governor's initiatives and through additional state efforts. Need to explore recent legislation and public relations opportunities.
 - i. **Student Teaching Report:** Tom Sadowski reports that all placements for the first quarter have been made. In general, more formalized processes are in place for student teaching.
4. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Kwiatkowski
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