Meeting Minutes

Attending: Carrie Suchy, Alexa Zarelli, Cindy Valerio, Donna Chang, Megan Bentley-Moon, Rachel Endo, Mariclair Johnson, Michael Farmer, Abby Cunningham, Amy Lynn

I. Welcome & Remembering Keshia Korman: SOE Director of the Office of Field Placements & Partnerships, Keshia Korman, passed away unexpectedly in the beginning of spring quarter.

II. Round Table Sharing (news/announcements, etc.):
   a. Senate Bill 5313 discussed as beneficial for district funding - adjusts the enrichment levy limit in state law to restore some authority taken away in the McCleary deal. The revised flexible levy policy will allow school districts to avert budget shortfalls.
   b. Academic Advisor & Certification officer Megan Bentley-Moon will be transitioning out of her staff role over the summer to become a teacher candidate in secondary math. Position posting in process.

III. Status on hiring new Director of Field Placements & Partnerships: The committee has been formed and is actively working on the hiring process. We have several strong candidates and are targeting June to have new hire in place.

IV. Review of Minutes from 1/17/19 & 3/14/19: January and March minutes were both accepted as written without clarification or comment.

V. Updates & Action Items:
   a. SPED Completer Survey: Per PEAB request a question the follow questions was added: Congratulations on completing the Elementary Education with Special Education Program! If you have chosen to accept a General Education teaching position rather than a Special Education position, please share with us what influenced your decision, and if applicable, anything our program could have done differently that might have resulted in your willingness to accept a Special Education position;
   b. Update on WEST-B Admission Requirement: On April 24th, Governor Inslee signed HB 1621, a bill to help admit more candidates into the teaching profession by removing the requirement of meeting a specific score on the WEST–B (WA Educator Skills Test - Basic) exam.
   c. Status on edTPA submissions: The unexpected loss of our Director of Field Placements in the midst of edTPA preparation contributed to a higher number of candidates than usual delaying edTPA submission and/or failing to pass in their initial submission.

VI. 2019-2020 TCP Admission Numbers & Demographics
   a. Summary of current admission numbers by program track were shared. Our numbers are down from last year, however, we are doing better than some other programs
   b. A question was raised about how our admission numbers compare to other graduate programs at UWT – more information will be provided in the October meeting.

VII. TELL Survey Data (mid-quarter paper survey Keshia introduced in March)
   a. Results from a program satisfaction survey of TELL candidates in winter quarter were shared. The survey was not expanded to additional cohorts because we are taking time to first coordinate and revise our existing surveys and survey timelines. An update on surveys and field handbooks will be provided at the October meeting.

VIII. Next Year:
   a. Confirm TCP PEAB renewal terms and interest: All members confirmed willingness to serve on the TCP PEAB again next year – thank you all! Tentative dates: 10/24, 1/23, 3/19, 6/4
b. **Co-chair model:** Next year the TCP PEAB will be co-chaired by the TCP Faculty Director the new Director of Field Placements & Partnerships. PEAB secretary will be supported by the new TCP academic advisor and certification officer.