

**Education Department Meeting
Model Classroom LBH159
May 2, 2011**

Present: Dr. Peace, Dr. Priddy, Dr. Steury, Dr. Worfel, Dr. Burson, Kathy Rhodes, Barb Michel, Dr. Davenport, and Beth West

Dr. Peace opened the meeting with prayer.

1. Transition to Teaching: Department members were asked to vote on the discontinuance of the secondary Transition to Teaching program. Dr. Peace indicated that the elementary program had been dropped previously because of not meeting state standards. Those already enrolled in the program will be allowed to finish. Dr. Burson motioned to discontinue the secondary program. Dr. Worfel seconded. Motion carried. Dr. Peace will send a campus-wide email to all departments informing them of the dropped program.

2. Calendar Items:

Freshman Orientation: June 18 – Paul and Evelyn will attend

Meet Your Coop – Tuesday, May 3, 4:30 – 5:30

Forester Night – Tuesday, May 3, 7 p.m. – Alissa Prichard nominated for Education award.

3. Reading Teacher Preparation: Dr. Peace received information from Marg Mast regarding a webinar and seminar to take place this fall. The webinar will be on September 14 and the seminar will take place on Friday, October 21. They are requiring at least one person from every institution attend. Dr. Peace suggested that everyone put the dates down in their calendar and let him know who can attend. Dr. Priddy mentioned that it would be nice if we had representation at the webinar and seminar. Dr. Peace said that the department would pay for the seminar for those who wanted to attend. More details will come.

4. Teacher Work Sample Rubric: Dr. Worfel handed out the rubric for the new teacher work sample. Since this will be the first time we have required students to complete the work sample, Dr. Worfel asked for flexibility in grading so we can begin to establish a benchmark. He also asked the supervisors using the rubric to make notes as to what changes could be made. He indicated that the total points for the TWS is 150 not 125 as stated on the rubric. Copies of the TWS evaluation will be put in student's permanent file. Discussion ensued.

Dr. Steury mentioned that she would like to have portfolio scores and TWS rubrics by 5 p.m. Friday, May 13th.

Meeting Secretary
Beth West