Minutes from the MACTE Meeting
Conference Call
January 9, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Richard Blackbourn, President.

Members present for the call: Representatives, William Carey; Richard Blackbourn, MSU; Debbie Burson, Millsaps; Ann Blackwell, USM; Leslie Griffin, DSU; David Hand, Belhaven; Sue Jolly-Smith, MUW; David Rock, UM; Pam Russ, Tougaloo; Janetta Waddell, Blue Mt. College; Daniel Watkins, JSU.

Cerissa Neal and Nathan Oakley, MDE; Kelly Butler, Barksdale Institute; Susan Lee, IHL

Presentation by Kelly Butler, Barksdale Institute:

- Recap of study—Kelly shared where she's been and what is proposed for spring 2015
- All 15 institutions were visited. Deans interviewed and professors (27). 121 students interviewed
- All syllabi for Lit. I and II with attention to assignments, texts, etc. are being reviewed by an external team not Barksdale
- Creating graphs on percentage of coursework coverage
- Observed classes
- Survey will be forthcoming to explore other courses being implemented that may be beneficial to the literacy effort
- Over spring 2015 want to collect more information- Field supervisors to be interviewed and student teachers as well as recent graduates currently teaching in the field.
- No questions were asked. We are to be on lookout for survey from Kelly.

MDE Updates:

- Nathan Oakley: Reading licensure assessment- The recommendation on the licensure exam will go before Licensure Commission and Board in March instead of January. Both the recommendation of assessment and a recommended cut score will be presented. Needs help from deans on standard setting- 15-20 needed to be on the committee. Send names of professors who teach literacy courses to Dr. Kim Benton. Cerissa will be following up with an email
- Cerissa Neal: Had 4 resignations from License Commission this week. Actively looking for new members that fit legislative requirements. Must be approved by state board of education. A teleconference will be at some time during the month, but there will not be a quorum because of resignations. Feb 15 deadline for program approvals or changes. Each institution has a SharePoint folder to submit documents related to program modifications.
- State will review by March 15.
- Student 101 License was approved by SBE. No comments have been given overall positive response. Must still be finally approved.
• CAEP protocols: Would like a meeting to discuss whether Mississippi will be CAEP state.
• Stevie Chepko will be providing CAEP training. Think about people to be trained.
• Cerissa will visit all campuses this spring to determine if all institutions are compliant with protocols. Has a calendar that will be emailed with dates that coincide with national visit schedule. Ensure State Board policy and code is being followed. Dr. Lee and Ms. Neal will review student folders on site.

Updates from IHL presented by Dr. Susan Lee:
• Funds left from Title II grants with a little over 1 million- Very good proposals sent in and feedback very positive. Reward letters have been sent out. Reviewers’ comments are available upon request; contact Dr. Lee.
• Teach MS Institute Grants- reply to surveys asap about the initiative
• Legislature- Funds left from Title II grants a little over 1 million- had the best proposal sent in and it was very positive. Reward letters have been sent out. Reviewers comments are available request from Dr. Lee
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• Legislative Updates- CCSS will be hot topic. Dr. Lee needs a list of CC events that we have conducted or attended at the IHL- Send email to Dr. Lee with the events that have been held on IHL campuses
• Teaching Fellows- Senator Tolleson looking at potential for pilot
• Dr. Lee suggested March 6 after licensure meeting for the CAEP protocol to be hosted at IHL with lunch if approved.

New business items included:
• CAEP: Dr. Blackbourn opened the floor to discussion on Early Adopters. Dr Hand suggested that we work together as a state to address some issues of early adopters. Concern about CAEP having a lot going on but we need to be more proactive. Dr. Carr mentioned the need for Early Adopters is to identify issues.
• New rulings are being released. We need to address the value added model
• Dr. Hand questioned how much of this can we do as a state? What should our partnership look like?
• Dr. Blackbourn shared information from the Southeastern Region about frustration with CAEP. Stating that the system is broken but we can work together to make it work.
• Retreat Dates- Dr. Blackbourn will send possible dates for review
• Intern Recognition: This has been done each year and has been nice. He doesn't want to discontinue; however, we need to improve attendance. This is an opportunity to showcase our interns. Send ideas to Dr. Blackbourn on how we can enhance attendance.
• Cerissa Neal will send formal invitation for Saturday April 11 at the Convention Center MDE Job Fair-- Harry Wong will be speaking.

There being no other items of business brought forward, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Blackbourn.

Respectfully submitted: Debbie Burson, Secretary/Treasurer