

Urban Teacher Education Program
Policy Board Meeting

Gary Teachers Union
11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.
March 5, 2009

Minutes

Attendees: Mrs. Andree Anderson (*UTEP School Liaison, Bernard Watson Boys Academy*), Dr. Rochelle Brock (*UTEP Executive Director*), Dr. Victoria Chiatula (*Assistant to the Superintendent, Gary Community School Corporation*), Mr. Garry Graban (*PDS Coordinator, Clark Middle/High School, and Proxy for Dr. Watkins*), Mrs. Annie Headen (*Working Conditions, Gary Teachers Union*), Dr. Michael Livovich (*Interim Superintendent, School City of East Chicago*), Dr. David Malik (*Interim Executive VC of Academic Affairs, IU Northwest*), Mr. Foster Stephens (*President, Gary Teachers Union*), Dr. Stanley Wigle (*Dean of School of Education, IU Northwest*)

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 11:26 a.m. by Dr. Wigle.

Approval of December 4, 2008 and February 12, 2009 Minutes

With no objections, the minutes were approved.

Other Business

Dr. Brock introduced Dr. David Malik, the new Interim Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at IUN. He will attend as proxy for Chancellor Bergland.

Dr. Brock obtained all of the signatures for the M.O.U. The block grant funds will be distributed next week. Copies of the M.O.U. will be distributed.

Mr. Graban suggested offering a UTEP summer course through IUN's Continuing Studies department with a financial benefit for former students. It will also provide a basis for keeping contact information updated. Dr. Brock agreed and said she would work with Dr. Wigle to try to develop. Mr. Stephens said he has 75 people or more who haven't met requirements of the district whom the course will benefit.

UTEP 20th Year Celebration

Dr. Brock stated that she wanted to initially have the celebration in May, but decided that it would be best to put it off until September to allow more planning time. Mr. O'Rourke has guaranteed that he can raise \$10,000 for the celebration through his contacts.

Brainstorming/To-Do List:

- Find a location (compare prices for 3 locations for about 200 people); find out deposit amount and deadline; will compare pricing with cost for using the savannah gym at IUN
- Create list of invitees including past and present UTEP students, faculty, staff, teacher instructors, mentors, and other affiliates. Mrs. Anderson is currently working on list of former students teaching in Indiana. She reported that 66 former students are on emergency permit in

Gary, 22 in Hammond, about 22 in East Chicago, and about 20 who are outside of our partner districts. Dr. Wigle suggested talking w/Paulette Lafatta-Johnson for an accurate list of alumni. Lists are to be complete by March 26th. Val to pull together TI list form s:drive

- Date will be sometime mid-September. No Fridays due to Friday night high school football. Possibly a Saturday, either the 12th, 19th, or 26th. Dr. Brock will take 2 weeks to look for a speaker, set the date, and email her results to the board. She hopes to have a speaker lined up no later than March 31st. By April 9th there should be 3 locations to choose from.
- Save the date pre-invite will be sent at the beginning of May, and the real invite by mid-late July. Val will create a form to accompany the invitation requesting the year of completion for recognition.
- Will be a charged ticket event. Letter to accompany save the date pre-invite and/or real invite asking for a donation of the amount of the ticket if they can't attend.
- Money will into foundation account to make tax deductible
- New clubhouse in June for Hammond golf course that may hold 800-900 people was suggested by Graban.
- Guest speaker suggestions include First Lady Obama, Arnie Duncan, Linda Darling-Hammond of NABSE, Michael Scott, famous singers from the area, and Freeman Hrabowski (President of University of Baltimore)
- Door prizes need to be collected
- Executive committee consists of Dr. Livovich, Mrs. Headen, Mr. O'Rourke, and Dr. Brock. They will coordinate the work of all the groups, and will meet sometime in April prior to board meeting.
- Dr. Livovich suggested have a tapestry created with colors and either names or pictures on it to put on display to give visibility and promote the program. Dr. Malik suggested the use of photos to make a mosaic. Photos can be requested in the pre-invite. Dr. Brock suggested getting an art teacher from a district or someone in the art program at IUN to assist. Mrs. Anderson suggested acquiring the photos at the celebration. Dr. Wigle noted that it can be ongoing. Dr. Livovich suggested housing the original at IUN with photos of it in each district. Dr. Malik suggested the shape be a map of the partnership district with photos in each shape. Dr. Livovich suggested that orders be taken for the poster.
- Entertainment committee: will ask recent UTEP graduates to help with the entertainment; Dr. Brock wants to highlight each district in some way; Dr. Livovich suggested inviting the Emerson VPA Choir to perform.
- Mrs. Anderson suggested having Powerpoint display with pictures.
- Dr. Brock will create a list of committees w/duties and send to members.
- Mr. Stephens suggested making a DVD of activities, and Dr. Livovich suggested including it in price of ticket.

Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting will be April 9, 2009 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Dusties.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.