

**School of Education and Counseling**  
**Teacher Preparation Assessment Committee Meeting**

October 24, 2007

9 A.M. BE 217

Present: Phyllis Spethman, Bob Sweetland, Jim Curtiss, Sue Sydow, Carolyn Linster, Tim Sharer, Tony Koyzis

TWS information was presented at the EDFL meeting last week. No one made any comments or suggestions, so the group will move along with implementing the TWS process.

Phyllis shared a TWS packet that she proposed be used as a tool for the student teachers. There was some confusion about which type of information should be given to faculty and student teachers. A lengthy discussion took place regarding TWS information to be given to student teachers. Some group members would prefer the two page documents be given and then students could be referred to the WSC website for links to more information and examples. Problems with student teaching were also discussed.

Assessment is not part of the curriculum. Focus needs to be on assessing our program not assessing the students. The process needs to enable student teachers to document what they do. Data needs to be collected that supports the impact on P-12 learning.

How will the student teachers be informed of the TWS process before going out to student teach in January 2008 and throughout the semester? Information could be given out during the two pre-student teaching seminars, mid-term roundtable discussions, possibly WebCT discussions. It was also suggested that the student teachers could be brought in after two weeks of student teaching for an additional seminar. At this meeting student teachers could brainstorm in groups and have faculty members involved with their discussions.

Tony is working on the annual report for NCATE, which is due in November. He will include information about the piloting of TWS for the spring 2008 semester.

The group agreed that an additional meeting would be beneficial to the student teachers. The group chose Monday, January 28, 2008 as the tentative date for the additional student teacher seminar. The ideal location would be the Student Center, Frey Conference Suite.

Tony updated the group regarding TEAC. Tony, Bob McCue, and vice chancellor Tande from NSCS will attend the TEAC meeting on January 29th as "observers". Chancellor Carpenter will be on campus for the general faculty meeting. Tony plans to visit with him about TEAC at that time as well.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tama Kastrup