Initial Programs Assessment Committee Minutes November 8, 2011

Present: David Holman, Steve Bounds, Audrey Bowser, Ann Ross, Joanna Grymes Ex Officio: Mary Jane Bradley, Greg Meeks

The following individuals were elected to the respective Committee positions:

- David Holman, Chair
- Steve Bounds, Vice Chair
- Joanna Grymes, Recorder

Bradley and Meeks presented the committee charges to the committee for the 2010-2011 year.

- 1. Review and analyze unit assessment artifacts at the initial level.
- 2. Review/evaluate the assessment system as it applies to the initial level.
- 3. If InTASC standards are approved as a state framework, devise a revision plan.
- 4. Create an Initial Programs Assessment Procedures Sheet similar to the Advanced Programs Procedure Sheet.
- 5. Complete a unit assessment report and send to the Head of the Unit by May 31, 2012. The report will include areas of strength and/or areas of improvement.

There was further explanation for the charges.

We are likely to not know about InTASC until early spring semester. The recommendation was to review the InTASC standards but not begin work on Task #3 until the state acts. In consequence, the recommendation was to wait to consider Task #2 until resolution of Task #3 occurs.

Task #4 was recommended to be the first task begun.

Task #5, the unit assessment report, can be completed prior to May. The meat of the report should come from the committee's minutes.

Look at the unit assessment artifacts with reference to the InTASC standards would be a method to begin Task #1.

The MAT should be incorporated with the BSE as initial licensure, but reported separately as MAT ECH and MAT MLED.

Meeks discussed proposed changes in accreditation and ADE requirements, including:

- The merging of TEAC and NCATE, creating a new accreditation system
- SPA reports no longer being required for initial programs unless programs chose to complete them; this change increases the importance of the unit assessments and having the data disaggregated by program
- Possibility of licensure changes (K-6, 4-8, 7-12 with a Birth to 4 endorsement)
- PRAXIS III data will not be available for MAT (as they will not be required to complete it) and will likely not be available for BSE students after next year
- ADE doing the follow up surveys and providing data back to the colleges rather than having to complete the surveys ourselves

At this time the next meeting will be called when the Praxis data is available from the PEP office.