Transfer and Articulation Oversight Committee Meeting

10 AM – 12:30 PM
Wednesday, April 11, 2012
Harrisburg, PA

Videoconference Locations:
Bucks County Community College,
Community College of Beaver County
& Indiana University of PA
TAOC Meeting – April 2012

Tom Corbett, Governor • Ronald Tomalis, Secretary of Education

Agenda

• Past Meeting Notes
• Updates/Announcements
• Proposed amendments to articulation agreements
• Statewide Program Articulation Efforts
• PA TRAC Institutional Reports
• Assessment Subcommittee
• Framework Subcommittee
• New Business
Past Meeting Notes

- Call to approve December 15, 2011 Meeting Notes
- Call to approve March 7, 2012 Meeting Notes
Updates/Announcements

• Updated TAOC Policy & Procedure Manual will be posted on PA TRAC by April 20.

• Lock Haven University is the first institution with a PA TRAC Widget.

• PDE will continue to forward updates regarding the new teacher certification exams to all TAOC members.
ACTION ITEM: Call to amend the approved PK4 Agreement to clarify the exam requirements for teacher candidates

Amend last sentence under “TRANSFER CHECKLIST AND PORTFOLIO REQUIREMENTS”:

A transferring student will be responsible for the same level of knowledge and expertise in each of the broad areas as a native student and will eventually need this content mastery to pass the Praxis II in order required certification exams to attain PK-4 Teacher Certification by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
ACTION ITEM: Call to amend the approved PK4 Agreement to clarify the exam requirements for teacher candidates (cont.)

Amend the “Praxis I Scores” section of the Transfer Checklist on pg. 20 to:

**Praxis I Scores: Basic Skills Test Scores:**

Passing scores **PPST reading, math and writing or minimum met with composite for the Basic Skills Tests in Reading, Writing and Math (or minimum met with composite)**, according to current PDE guidelines.
ACTION ITEM: Call to amend the approved PK4 Agreement to clarify the requirements under the 30-Credit Core in General Education

1. Amend 2nd paragraph under 30-Credit Core in General Education on pg. 3:

   General education course equivalencies will be equated through the TAOC system Transfer Credit Framework. See Appendix D: Transfer Credit Framework. Although credit given may be adjusted to fit in varying course descriptions by individual institutions, all criteria in the 30-Credit General Education Core must be met.

2. Add the Transfer Credit Framework as Appendix D in the approved agreement.
ACTION ITEM: Call to amend all agreements by adding a clarifying statement regarding references to course titles

References to course titles in all agreements are to be taken to designate competencies typically achieved in those types of coursework and are not to be construed as making a reference to a specific course at a specific institution.

Course titles in the agreements are also presented for guidance in advising students which coursework they should take even though the course at the student’s college may not have the specific title mentioned in the agreement.
Statewide Program Articulation

- Questions about statewide P2P
- Resources (See Appendices A, B & C)
- Status of Statewide Articulation Database
- Interim Reports to PDE
- Pending Agreements
PA TRAC Institutional Reports

- Participating institutions can monitor PA TRAC activity that relates directly to the institution (See Appendix F)

- Primary/Secondary TAOC reps access reports through user accounts on Collegetransfer.net

- April 27 – Deadline for primary reps to identify additional viewers
DISCUSSION ITEM:
Plan for Assessment Subcommittee

• Charge
• Subcommittee Composition
• Timeline
• TAOC member to lead
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Plan for Framework Subcommittee

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New Business
Next TAOC Meeting:

**Wednesday, May 16, 2012 @ 10AM**

Locations:
Harrisburg, CCBC, IUP & Montgomery CCC

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