



Shoreline Community College
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EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

May 28, 2015, 3:00-4:30pm

The Children's Center at Burke Gilman Gardens

5251 Sand Point Way
Seattle, WA 98105

In Attendance: Jennifer Kelty (chair), The Children's Center at Burke Gilman Gardens; Karleen Wolfe, Seattle Central College; Dan Fey, Dean of Workforce; Betty Peace-Gladstone, Education faculty

Approval of Minutes – approved the minutes from the Dec. 2014 meeting

North Seattle Applied BA Program in ECE – committee members discussed the new BA that is being developed at North Seattle College; there was not any clear indication of when this might be activated nor which campus would offer courses within the Seattle College system.

Potential New Course: Introduction to ECE - committee members discussed the rationale for offering this course, to better align with the BA programs in ECE that are beginning to appear (UW and Seattle Colleges). Karleen will forward to Betty a copy of the existing syllabus for this common course that is offered at Seattle Central College. If this course is developed, it will impact enrollment and scheduling of the existing EDUC&202 Introduction to Education course, and create a larger distinction between the existing pre-K to 3rd grade philosophy of early childhood at Shoreline and the increasingly pre-K focus by other colleges and DEL. This is at the core of the dilemma regarding this course. It was noted that the strong multi-cultural and social justice focus of the EDUC&202 course needs to be a central feature of the new Intro. to ECE course, if it is developed and adopted.

Early Achievers Update - there was no new information that committee members were aware of regarding the Early Achievers scholarships or the initiative, overall. Education faculty are working to monitor this situation, as the time may come that requires us to adopt the stackable certificates should they become more integrated into the DEL systems.

Seattle Universal Preschool Initiative Update - There was no news on this initiative. We discussed the potential impact upon child care centers in the Seattle area, depending upon how this initiative plays out. Minimum wages initiatives and staff credentials that would be associated with the Seattle Universal Preschool initiative were discussed as having an impact on many child care centers in Seattle.

Other – no other topics emerged.

Next Meeting - TBA

Minutes submitted by Betty Peace-Gladstone