Senior Year Plus Postsecondary Course Audit Committee Meeting
November 2, 2012 (via ICN)
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Those in attendance included:

- Gerry Beeler, Principal, Mid-Prairie High School
- Deb Derr, President, North Iowa Area Community College
- Nicole Franta, Dual Enrollment Coordinator, Iowa Western Community College
- Joel Haack, Dean of the College of Humanities, Arts, and Sciences, University of Northern Iowa
- Lon Moeller, Associate Dean, Management and Organizations, University of Iowa
- David Palmer, Consultant, Iowa Association of Community College Trustees
- Julie Rosin, Assistant Director, Des Moines Central Campus
- Bill Taylor, Vice President of Instruction, Southwestern Community College
- Jeremy Varner, Administrator, Division of Community Colleges, Iowa Department of Education
- Ann Watts, Coordinator, Emerging Technologies, Des Moines Area Community College
- Sue Wood, Assistant Superintendent, Fort Dodge Community School District

I. Welcome and Purpose—Jeremy Varner

Jeremy Varner welcomed the Senior Year Plus (SYP) Postsecondary Course Audit Committee to the ICN meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the report for the 2011-2012 year.

II. SYP Updates

Changes to administrative rule related to Senior Year Plus and Project Lead the Way (Ch. 17, 22, and 97) will be presented to the State Board of Education for adoption at their November 14, 2012, meeting.

The committee remains committed to utilizing National Alliance of Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships (NACEP) standards as the standards by which it evaluates concurrent enrollment courses. Twelve (12) of the 15 colleges currently demonstrate that the standards are met through attainment and maintenance of NACEP accredited status. Please note the expectation is that all colleges will obtain accredited status by the end of the current application cycle – the committee’s plans have not included provision of an alternative process (e.g., state review) for institutions not obtaining accredited status during the 2012-2013 cycle. It is essential that colleges still seeking accreditation work closely with NACEP peer review teams and leadership to provide all necessary documentation to demonstrate compliance with standards. Courses not meeting committee standards may not be eligible for district supplementary weighting.
• Administrative Rules Change
• PLTW Courses
• See 8/16/12 Memo from Director Glass regarding “Changes to SYP Requirements…this memo provides guidance.
• Main reason…complete meeting during the summer.
• Final 12 of the 13 obtain NACEP status.
• Three have applied for current cycle—Due August 1st.
• Per the audit plan, three were not accredited.
• Peer Review—Explain issues; all three must submit them.
• Evaluation course syllabi—meeting expectations.
• Site visit was completed.
• Draft report circulated
• One didn’t appear to meet 7/11…must meet requirements.
• Per the mandates…Algona HS (ILCC)
• Question from Deb Derr…Will the other three get NACEP-accredited?
• Stakes are high.
• Deb Derr—Took a long time to get an answer.
• Julie Rosin—Most troubling is NACEP requirements.
• Jeremy—Community college faculty. Providing discipline is a challenge for smaller colleges. Faculty and PD requirements.
• Deb Derr concurred on the challenges.
• Bill Taylor—12 hours in biology?
• Anatomy and physiology
• Julie Rosin—Advantages to having PD related to things like this.
• First Motion Made (not sure what it was?? 😐) – Sue Wood made the motion. Seconded by Deb Derr. Motion was passed unanimously regarding Fort Dodge?

DRAFT Annual Report Discussion

• How is this committee using NACEP?
• One change is Algona is substituting for Spirit Lake.
• Any questions about the document? Suggestions for wordsmithing?
• Julie Rosin made the motion to approve. Seconded by Nicole Franta. Motion was passed unanimously.

Limited Scope Review and Next Steps

• Dave Palmer mentioned that Linda Allen, President at HCC, will be joining the NACEP Board. Forward to Dr. Allen stuff on the process.

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