

**Early Childhood Education
Advisory Board
Agenda
5/4/22**

- **Data**
 - We began the year with fifteen students (both classes), mid year three students left.
 - Seven of the twelve are graduating this year.
 - Of the Seven:
 - Three are going on to College to study ECE
 - Two are going on to other careers
 - One will work after graduation in ECE
 - One will work after Graduation in ECE and go to CCV
 - Five Juniors:
 - Three are enrolling in the program next year
 - One is going on to early college and has completed two years with me and will be working in a program.
 - One is not coming back since ECE was never a true interest.
- Potential Numbers for next school year
- **ECE Pre-Apprenticeship Program**
 - Three students will complete this year
 - Looks like funding for next year will be in place
- **Dual Enrollment next school year**
 - Which courses through which colleges
- **Class schedule next school year**
 - Both Groups in the morning 8:45-11:30
- **Kim's work on the P2P ECE 1 Design Team and future program design implications.**
- **ITC Renovations**

ECE Advisory Board Minutes

5/4/22

5:30-6:30 pm

Present: Chloe Leary, Leigh Marthe, Anne Doran, Kim Freeman

Absent: Deb Gass

The meeting started at 5:30 with the sharing of the data listed on the agenda. We are encouraged by the numbers of students continuing their ECE studies and ready to begin work in the field. Anne shared that there are about ten students who have a solid chance of enrolling in next year's level one ECE program. Anne explained the process for building student schedules and expressed concern that there may be students who can not fit the half day class in with their other academic courses.

This led to a conversation about class schedule changes planned for the next school year. As mentioned on the agenda both level one and level two courses will run concurrently for the first two blocks of the day. This will allow for a much more in depth field placement experience for students. The courses can be taught concurrently because level one will have field placement on Tuesdays and Thursdays and the Level Two students will have field placement on Monday, Wednesday and Friday which leaves me open to teach each group different subject matter.

We took a moment to celebrate the success of the Pre-Apprenticeship program that the three second year students have taken part in this year. The students have worked in classrooms three days a week and will wrap up this experience on May 19, 2022. Dianne Carter, the Pre-Apprenticeship program coordinator has said that funding looks to be in place next year as well. Next year we will have the seniors apply and perhaps a few juniors as well.

When the conversation turned to discussing the dual enrollment component of the pathway, Leigh confirmed that the waiver we received this year for a minimum of three students would not be permitted next school year. I made the suggestion that next year we offer the level one classes (Introduction to Early Childhood Education and Child Development) through CCV since we have more level one students and then offer the second year classes through either River Valley Community College or Castleton. The group agreed that this was a more manageable option. I will set the ball in motion.

With conversation around dual enrollment Anne brought up the ongoing concern about the Accuplacer testing that CCV requires. Leigh was able to shed some light on the topic mentioning that students could also request a transcript review in place of the test.

I gave a brief overview of the Advancing Early Childhood Education as a Recognized Profession Task Force work, specifically to mention that in time we may see a clear preparation pathway that could send newly licensed early childhood educators out into the field after high school.

We are looking forward to the renovations that will be taking place on site within the Infant and Toddler Center. These renovations will provide an opportunity for the ECE students to have ready access to observing children and to spend time in the classroom.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30