

DVR Meeting
April 19, 2021
ECE Minutes
Zoom

1. Introductions

- a. Angela (Triton), Ally (Triton), Cindy (Triton), Tim (Triton), Derek (Triton), Alicia (Leyden), Kristina W (Workforce), Hannah/Jackie/Julie/Kristina/Natalie (OPRF), Patty/Connie (Proviso), Dr. Young (NIU)

2. Program Updates

a. Workforce

- i. Kristina W - Hiring is a struggle. Lots of restraints on the pipeline of good educators. Many do not have credentials, some that do have the credentials are not good candidates.
- ii. Other issues occurring are that you can not get a TB test one month within a Covid vaccine. This is slowing the process. They are trying to create teachers not “robot-operational” workers.
- iii. More people are choosing for their kids to go part-time at childcare because they are working at home. They will watch their kids for some days and send them to daycare part time. More kids in the same amount of spots.

b. Dual Credit

- i. Overall strong turnout for ECE (ECE 111, ECE 146, ECE 153), 248 students enrolled in Dual Credit program, \$75,000 in savings for students.
- ii. Working with high schools to add more Dual Credit choices.

c. DVR

- i. High Schools are all in some sort of Hybrid learning.
- ii. Under Perkins V every CIP in every school must have an active CTSO or some alternative Team Competition. Every district has FY21 budget lines for curriculum time to create team competitions for next year. You do not need to compete this year, but you need to register and be organized as members so you can participate in FY22
 - 1. FCCLA covers ECE
 - 2. Each school will be starting Educator Rising
- iii. Connie question: What technology class does triton offer? - None currently. The class was canceled due to low enrollment. Also it did not transfer to a 4-year institution.

d. University Partners

- i. Dr Young (NIU): A proposed bill from the state is being suggested because of the teacher shortage that the ECE Bachelor degree will be offered through a community college.
 - 1. Allows more rural areas to have access to degree programs.

e. Triton

- i. ECE: Developing cohort programs
 - 1. Fast track associate degrees for special populations/workforce/etc. They will have a separate academic advisor, mentor program. It will be an 8 week hybrid format, students in the workforce can take more classes in a semester.

2. Transfer cohort pathways is the next goal.
 3. For fall classes - 50% face to face, 25% hybrid, 25% remote
- ii. Education: Also developing cohort programs
1. Came out of need in teacher shortage in Illinois and finding diverse candidates
 2. EDU cohort starting this fall. Targeting the “day student” to receive an associate's degree.
 3. Education organization: Started in Spring of 2020. Did a learning session with Elmhurst University
 4. For fall classes- 70% face to face
- iii. Next Spring - Triton will be hosting a symposium for the dual credit/high school/possible students about the program, 4 year partners can share about transferring, etc!