College of Education News April 2010

DATES OF CONCERN

April 2-	No classes—Easter Break
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April 7	Department of Education and Department of Secondary Education meeting with Dr.
	Schallenkamp
	Last day to drop a class with an automatic "W"
	Higher Learning Commission Initiative-Dr. Kristi Pearce and President Schallenkamp
April 9	Curriculum proposals due to University Curriculum Committee
April 14	NCATE Writing Team meeting
April	Education Discipline Council meeting in Sioux Falls
15-16	SDACTE meeting in Sioux Falls
April	Preview Day
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April	Patty Clarkson's Birthday
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April	Teacher Work Sample retreat
21	Administrative Professional Day (Many thanks to Patty, Rhonda, and Karla!)
April	Dakota ASSETS meeting
22	Teacher Education Faculty, Program Coordinator, and COE Accreditation Committee
	meeting to review and make suggestions regarding a draft of the NCATE Institutional
A	Report 3:30 to 5:00 Ruth Claeys's Birthday
April 23	· ·
April 27	Melanie Hurley's Birthday
April	Chair meeting
28	Employee Recognition
April 29	NCATE Writing Team meeting
April 30	Recognition social for Dean Myers 3:00

Announcements:

April 22nd Meeting—As many of you know, the NCATE Writing Team has been working this year to prepare the Institutional Report to describe how BHSU meets accreditation standards and to gather evidence for exhibits to support findings. The completed report will be submitted June 15, 2010. The Writing Team is ready for teacher preparation faculty, program coordinators, Accreditation Committee members, and Dean Myers and Kay Schallenkamp to take a look at the draft work and provide comment and suggestions. Details will be provided soon in a separate invitation. **At this time we would ask that you hold 3:30 to 5:00 on your calendars for this review.**

Pre-Registration is underway. Any and all efforts are appreciated to encourage our students to get registered and improve our retention rate! Double majors may be interested in registering in the special education classes offered online during the summer May session. A series of outdoor education classes (canoeing, rock climbing, and fly fishing) are also offered in May.

Funding from the Library is still available for the College of Education to purchase new books and media. Please submit requests to your unit chairs.

Printed packets of course material intended to be sold to students in the BHSU Bookstore need to be submitted to the Print Shop by August 2^{nd} , 2010 for fall term.

Faculty Computers-Beginning this summer, the campus will begin use of Windows 7 as the operating system replacing Vista. This will only happen by attrition; when new computers are ordered they will come loaded with the Windows7 operating system rather than Vista.

Computer Lab--J201 lab is up for renovation this summer. This means that the lab will be equipped with Windows 7 as well.

Notes from Deans' Meetings:

English Language Institute-- Jim Fleming is working on an Academic English Preparation Program tailored to meet the needs of international students. Nancy Wood will be the instructor of the program which is scheduled to begin in fall 2010. It is a three-semester cohort program with a cost of approximately \$10,000 per semester.

Correspondence and feedback:

Career Fair recruiters mentioned that BHSU students were very current in their training in RTI, literacy, and math investigations.

Monica Headlee is a finalist for the 2010 Minnesota Teacher of the Year. Monica is a BHSU graduate teaching chemistry and living in St. Paul, Minnesota. She was a multiple all-American and all-scholar in cross country and track and field. She is originally from Kadoka, SD. Thanks Coach Walkinshaw for passing along this wonderful news!

"Dr. Austin, I will for sure share with you the professors' names that changed my life. The first one is **Betsy Silva** and the second one is **Sandy Klarenbeek**. They really showed me the love that I needed ...:)"

Notes to Rich Carriveau,

Kristin is doing a great job so far as my student teacher! She is very eager to teach the students and has done a great job in taking over my classes. She and I have had awesome collaborations for lessons and extra activities. I only wish she could be here for more than 8 weeks as she brings new ideas to our classroom and I truly have enjoyed working with her!

Ashleigh Hoff is awesome, a natural teacher, a caring person, a hard worker, a resplendent person! As you can see, I don't have any concerns this year and thank you!

A note to **Faye LaDuke Pelster**.

Things are going very well in the class. The children are nothing short of amazing and I truly feel at home in the class. I will continue to use quite a bit of what you and the other professors showed us as I feel I learned a lot of good strategies! Thanks again!-Joe

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