

WPOR September 12, 2015

Members Present:

Barbara Seeger (MATC)
Nancy Stevens (Whitewater)
Lois Zamzow (Oshkosh)
Mike Ford (Oshkosh)
Jackie Easley (Carthage)
Karen Ruffner (Platteville)
Brian Perrodin (Oshkosh)
Kathy Champeau (UWM)
LouAnn Dreifurs (Stritch)
Deb Zarling (Oshkosh)

Minutes approved: August meeting

Election of Officers:

Secretary—
President—Mike will serve until end of 2015

Reading Research Symposium:

UW-LaCrosse
35th Annual UW Reading Research Symposium
Keynotes—Dr. Vivian Vasquez, Dr. Michael Smith, Dr. Gay Ivey, Dr. David Kirkland,
Dr. James Gee
Graduate credit available

FORT:

Reading Coalition trying to imply that universities are not preparing students with the knowledge base—Brian Perrodin reported that he corrected the representative of this group.

Literate Nation group—distorted NAEP results; pushing for phonics focus in K-12 education. Accuse teacher ed. of not teaching phonics enough. Met with Senator Thiesfeld (sp?); didn't seem to effect change toward their agenda, though.

Article for Update? "What do we know about the FORT one year later?"

Whitewater—must pass Oct. 1 or March 1 before student teaching, or cannot student teach.

UW-Milwaukee—must pass to student teach

Carthage—study plan for retakes; contract for acknowledgement of nonlicensable

UW-Oshkosh—contract system after 2 attempts

Open Response Score—DPI hasn't looked at the data; currently looking at cultural differences in test scores

Not friendly to students who have special needs and need accommodations

edTPA:

State averages vs. national averages—at a state, our average = national average in Educational Literacy test; Special Ed. is lower; Early Childhood is lower.

Perhaps set a cut score at 40. Double majors can choose Elementary or Special Ed. for their edTPA.

WSRA FORT Resource Guide—update

Cindy Cate, Nancy Stevens, Mike Ford, Kim Martinez are on the writing team.

Worked during the summer; tabled for now.

Campus News:

MATC—has developed a student assessment system

Whitewater—focused on FORT and student complaints (have to take second reading class now)

Oshkosh—Hot Topics Oct. 10; FORT study session coming up

Stitch—create individualized retake workshops and offer Sat. workshops

Carthage—edTPA Portfolio during their final methods course

Rockford College—edTPA Portfolio during their final methods course, like Carthage

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Easley

WPOR Secretary