

SPC College of Education (COE)
Advisory Board Meeting
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Thursday, February 28, 2018 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
St. Petersburg College EpiCenter – Room EP2-306

Members Present	Mr. Lou Cerreta, Mr. Art Steullet, also attending was Dawn Bingham of Pinellas County Schools Professional Development
Members Not Present	Dr. Marcia Austin, Ms. Kathy Dofka, Mr. William Lawrence, Ms. Daphne Miles, Ms. Kim Newberry, Dr, Susan Weber, Ms. Antonette Wilson, Ms. Stacy Wrenn
COE Staff Present	Dr. Andrea Kelly, Ms. Anne Ryan, Mr. Mike O’Berry, Ms. Marilyn Lovely
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. Board members were asked to review the minutes from the last meeting. There were no comments or corrections from the Board.
District Update Pinellas	
Lou Cerreta	I have a new position. I am now principal of Seminole Elementary. My old position has not been advertised yet, but the new person will take my role on advisory board. Pinellas is holding Next Steps at Stavros Center. All spring grads will have an orientation that will include a 1st year teacher panel and practice interviews. The Springboard to Success summer professional development for new hires will also continue.
Dawn Bingham	There will also be a job fair June 4 th .
In lieu of a College of Education update, Dr. Kelly asked the board members for some feed back	
Andrea Kelly	What is the best way to move forward with classroom management? We have added school based hours. In your opinion, what are the big needs?
Art Steullet	Dealing with kids with trauma causes a lot of discipline problems. That is a biggie with us.
Lou Cerreta	Learning the skills to de-escalate takes a special person.
Dawn Bingham	Teachers need to learn other options than just calling the office.
Art Steullet	Teachers need to be empowered.
Dawn Bingham	They have to learn how to build a rapport with parents.
Art Steullet	Relationship building is important.
Andrea Kelly	What resources does the district offer?
Lou Cerreta	We offer CHAMPS training through the district.
Dawn Bingham	Also restorative practices.
Andrea Kelly	We have a culturally responsive piece too.

	What is your take on ESE and ELED as separate degrees? If students come out with a dual degree, will that make them more marketable?
All	The board unanimously agreed.
Art Steullet	The district is putting ESE students back in the middle school general population next year. Having an ESE background would be a huge advantage.
Dawn Bingham	Sometimes teachers are weak on ESE.
Andrea Kelly	Should we offer ESOL and Reading endorsement?
Lou Cerreta	A large number need Reading endorsement. We are developing courses now because of recent legislation.
Andrea Kelly	What about ESOL?
Lou Cerreta	The district already offers ESOL.
Andrea Kelly	We would like to solicit some ideas on keeping current. What are some good ways?
Lou Cerreta	Kudos with keeping current with our evaluation system.
Andrea Kelly	We have done quite a bit in the past as far as PD for teachers. What are some things we can do to strengthen our partnership with the district?
Lou Cerreta	In the Para to Teacher online program, it would be nice to have some face-to-face between the Pinellas paras and SPC. Something like a one day senior seminar to promote a sense of community, support, and a group relationship with SPC, us, and their peers. Continue to support teacher prep at the high school level.
Dawn Bingham	We miss working with COE grant, the collaboration where interns and Clin-Ed teachers felt supported.
Andrea Kelly	In terms of interacting with our students, what needs to improve?
Art Steullet	I think you hit the nail on the head with a degree with an ESE endorsement.
Andrea Kelly	As we bring updates is there anything you would like us to share in terms of data? If you think of anything, please share with us.
Lou Cerreta	It would be helpful to have data on graduates in other counties. Do you track where those grads go? Any data would help with recruiting. We are all struggling with retention.
Andrea Kelly	I have one more question. Does the district offer help with the Pro-Ed or Subject Area exams?
Lou Cerreta	We offer GK test preparation, targeted to those who will lose their job without it.
Workforce Update Mike O’Berry	Mike O’Berry introduced himself to the board as the new Internship Coordinator at the Tarpon Springs campus.
COE grant wrap-up Andrea Kelly	To recap, in five years we added three content courses, updated the observation instrument, moved degrees online, and implemented online ESE starting in fall. The online ELED program targets students from outside counties and para professionals from within Pinellas County. Middle Grades Science now online as well, and we have added school based hours to classroom management. Dr. Kelly then asked the board if they had any additional comments and there were none.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.	
Time and Date of Next Meeting	The next meeting will be in October 2019 at the Tarpon Springs campus, room TS-BB159A. Exact day and time TBD.