TSPC Licensure Program Coordinators
November 11, 2009
9:00-10:30 a.m.
Education 119

In attendance: Linda Albi, Jeff Edmundson, Margaret Mahoney, Emma Martin, Margit Mayr McGaughey, Phil McCullum, Kim Sherman, Ron Tuomi, Angie Whalen

TSPC Updates
NES adoption update
TSPC is moving to use NES instead of ETS for Oregon licensure tests. This means the Praxis tests will eventually be replaced. One advantage is that some content areas requiring multiple tests will be consolidated. Students will be able to take the tests online at a Pearson Testing Center and will know their results immediately. Adoption of the new tests will not be effective until at least next year. There will be no changes to the CBEST. The move to NES may be issue for School Psychology and CDS students since they need to take the Praxis to get certified nationally.

The Oregon Data Project
EMPL is working with ODE on The Oregon Data Project and a Race to the Top Grant. A feature of these initiatives is looking at student performance in the K-12 classroom which is then tied to the teacher and tracks back to the institution where the teacher was trained. As described, Oregon’s project intends to focus on students’ growth over a period of time.

TSPC will also partner with Chalkboard to set up a data exchange system.

Oregon Teacher Equity Plan
This is a report that ODE has to submit to the feds as part of new legislation. The two questions that apply to higher ed programs are related to teacher preparation and specialized knowledge and skills.

Miscellaneous
• New rules adopted for program approval using up to date OARS
• SPED and Administrator Licensure rules have changed
• The move continues for Speech-pathologists to be Oregon licensed but not TSPC licensed.
Consortium Meeting
The first Consortium meeting is scheduled for November 16. Margaret will share summaries of the exit survey and the follow up survey, Minority Teacher report, and applied/admitted/enrolled data through this fall term.