



Ruth S. Ammon College of
Education and Health Sciences

TEACHER EDUCATION ADVISORY BOARD

October 20, 2022

In attendance:

- Xiao-lei Wang – Dean CEHS Adelphi
- Joe Famularo – sup of Bellmore (elementary) 31 years in district
- Alexa – president of FTA (Senior History)
- Mary Jean McCarthy – Clinical Associate Professor Childhood Education Adelphi
- Emily Kang – Associate Dean CEHS Adelphi
- Alice Kane – Asst Sup for Ed and Admin Services of Freeport
- Kusum Sinha – Sup Garden City
- Judy LaRocca – Sup Valley Stream 13 (K-6)
- Dave Casamento – Asst Sup East Meadow
- Mahlia XXX- resident teacher at South Bronx Community HS – Adol Eng and Ed Theatre
- Lisa Minicozzi – Clinical Associate Professor Ed Leadership Adelphi
- Dan Rehman – Sup West Hempstead

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Dean Wang shared innovative new programs:
 - a. SOE: PhD in Global Higher Ed Leadership and PhD in Learning Sciences
 - b. CSD: We can help with any speech related services
 - c. HSS: new program in Registered Dietitian
3. Input from Superintendents
 - a. Sinha (Garden City)
 - i. looking at learning spaces and outdoor spaces; need more PD for teachers on how to use these kinds of spaces
 - ii. Artificial Intelligence – kids can get answers at their fingerprints; there are tools that write paragraphs for you given talking points, how are we preparing to have kids use these tools; to analyze these documents rather than creating it.
 - b. Rehman (West Hempstead) – want to take a whole different approach to teaching and learning: K-6 develop workshop model and aligned inquiry-based philosophy and see it carry on 7-12; Buck Institute for PBL brought in

- i. Lisa is taking staff from WH to Adelphi to meet Bridges Program (sensory room, calming space) on Tuesday 10/25/22
 - ii. Residency program – student teach and sub
 - iii. Want to bridge university and K-12
- c. XL mentioned desire to use simulations to practice student teaching
 - i. Talked about STEP program – unique in that it requires student to major in content area
 - ii. Asst sup and sups can adjunct courses or a special topics course
- d. McCarthy (Adelphi) – Residency in Freeport and Mineola
 - i. Works at Crossroads Farm
 - ii. Native plant gardens, outdoor spaces
- e. Alexa (FTA, Adelphi) -
 - i. Importance of taking students outside
 - ii. Will collaborate with Bridges program to learn about different learning styles
 - iii. As a future teacher, I want as many ways to help my students
- f. Mahlia – PBL, mastery-based curriculum project
 - i. Students spent 2 months at Bronx Zoo
 - ii. Has adjuncted here
 - iii. Would love Adelphi to support with PD, to send in student teachers, subs
 - iv. Importance of play education to activate verbal literacy and jumpstarts into reading and writing literacy
 - v. Adelphi should focus on need for black and Latinx teachers
- g. Emily (Adelphi) – hired East Meadow Math director to be adjunct
 - i. Can run a course for teachers for grad credits
 - ii. Greentree opportunity for teachers
- h. Joe (Bellmore)
 - i. Worked with Felix Berman – 2-year residency program
 - ii. Building grad courses for teachers
- i. Dave (East Meadow)
 - i. What is Adelphi’s preparation of student teachers to teach reading? (content-based, etc) – Lisa said NYS only requires 6 credits of literacy training
 - ii. Letters Training
 - iii. Need to have reading in the content areas – we would like to see student teachers coming to us ready to teach reading
 - iv. Teachers still don’t know what differentiation is, even now.
 - v. We don’t have tech ed teachers, but we have students go into these fields
 - 1. Vocational Tech Ed
- j. Judy LaRocca
 - i. Letters Training
 - ii. Adelphi grads knew how to integrate technology into instruction; Pandemic took us outside; I would love to see Adelphi shift from technology to PBL and outdoor learning

- iii. Autism spectrum disorders – want to know more about demographics and rates of autism (had to open special sections of preK); special education will continue to grow – in almost all in autism
 - iv. All universities need to take active role – no one in going into education; can't find librarian; we can't find anyone to hire
 - v. Started Future Teachers club
4. Next meeting will be on Thursday, May 18, 2023.

Shared teacher/admin opportunity: Greentree Foundation Teachers Ecology Workshop –gtftew.org