Early Childhood Education (ECE) Advisory Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 22nd 2022 3:30- 4:30pm Lake Tahoe Community College Zoom

Attendees:

Kerry David, Brad Deeds, Sara Hunter, Michele Martinez, Deanna Santana, Tina Barna, Melissa Liggett, and Maxine Alper.

Partner/Member Updates:

- -Tina/Catalyst Kids: There is a severe need for infant/toddler childcare and more ECE workers in general. The problem is that they do not get a lot, which creates a problem in being able to afford certificates and training.
- -Deanna/EDCOE: School districts often pay more and provide daycare, etc. which can cause local daycares to lose staff. People are going where the money is.
- -Brad/LTCC: LTCC has some great resources for current and potential ECE students such as the Promise Program, the California Promise Grant, and open educational resources. Some courses use textbooks with zero cost.

ECE Program Updates:

- -The program has a very high success rate of 88-100%; students are passionate about the field, and that is a great indicator of future quality teachers.
- -The program continues to draw diverse interest, with an age range between 25-49 years old, however mostly female students.

Should LTCC be doing more to recruit non-traditional students?

- -Possible barriers: pay, stigma around men/small children
- -Possible benefits: it is important to children see males in caretaking roles
- -ECE 127: Infant and Toddler class only runs every other year. This is a valuable course, as very few are trained in infant care and there is a growing demand. However, there are not many who want to work with infants.
- -The introduction of "Universal Schooling" will bring younger children into the school system, creating an even higher demand for well trained and educated Early Childhood Education professionals.
- -Overall review and discussion of certificates and transfer degree proposal as follows:

Early Childhood Education Certificate of Achievement by course					
Department Number	Course Name	Quarter Units			
ECE101	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children		4		
ECE102	Child and Adolescent Growth and Development		4		
ECE103	Child, Family, and Community		4		

Total Units – ALL COURSES ABOVE		12
ECE109	Language and Literacy for Young Children	4
ECE 110	Introduction to Curriculum	4
ECE120	Creative Experiences for Young Children	4
ECE121	Math and Science Experiences for Young Children	4
ECE125	Positive Child Guidance	4
ECE127	Infants and Toddlers: Development and Care	4
ECE129	The Exceptional Child	4
Total Units – PLUS TWO COURSES FROM ABOVE		8
TOTAL QUARTER UNITS		20

Early Childhood Education AS-T Degree by course				
Department Number	Course Name	Quarter Units		
ECE100	Health, Safety, and Nutrition for Young Children	4		
ECE101	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	4		
ECE102	Child and Adolescent Growth and Development	4		
ECE103	Child, Family, and Community	4		
ECE110	Introduction to Curriculum	4		
ECE124	Observation and Assessment	4		
ECE 126	Teaching in a Diverse Society	4		
ECE202	Practicum in Early Childhood Programs: Field Experience	4		
TOTAL QUARTER UNITS		32		

Early Childhood Education: Site Supervisor Employable Skills Certificate by course				
Department Number	Course Name	Quarter Units		
ECE202	Practicum in Early Childhood Programs: Field Experience		4	
ECE203	Administration I: Programs in Early Childhood Education		4	
ECE204	Administration II: Personnel and Leadership in Early Childhood Education		4	
ECE205	Administration II: Adult Supervision and Mentoring in Early Care and Education		4	
Total Quarter Units – ALL COURSES ABOVE			16	

Perkins: There is no current update at the moment.

Adjournment