

## Clinical Experience Advisory Council

### Meeting Minutes

From March 2015

- Our guest speaker was Ohio Teacher of the Year 2015, Mrs. Lori Michalec from Tallmadge City Schools, who shared her personal experiences with student teachers, and what she viewed as the strengths and challenges facing the profession; including viewpoints on Common Core, proficiency testing, the need for professional development, and the use of instructional technology.
- Our guest presenter, Julie Obraza, an administrator at Stow-Munroe Falls City Schools provided handouts and a discussion of the Resident Educator program; describing standards and tasks to be completed at each level; the use of faculty mentors, their roles and responsibilities, and the impact the RE program is having on schools . . .such as finding mentors, and still convincing teachers to take on additional work with student teachers.
- Dr. Hawley provided an update on the progress being made by the 'Ohio Clinical Alliance'; provided handouts and a discussion on the comparison of the OSTP with those of the TASC standards.
- Dr. Arhar provided handouts and statistical data that help to show how KSU teacher graduates were doing on the new OTES evaluation; also reviewed handouts that illustrated the enrollment in public schools and the impact of charter schools; growing debate over the effectiveness of charter schools and the apparent discrepancy in testing requirements and funding and lack of transparency and legislative leniency toward charter schools; influence on political decision making.
- Once around the room; partnering districts mentioned possible job opportunities and challenges for placement of our student teachers; influence from collective bargaining agreements and stipends/incentives.

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