

PROGRESS REPORT

Working Group Name: Incorporate Campus Units

Working Group #: 5

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Date: March 11, 2022

Update on Actions Taken Since Last Report:

The last working group meeting was conducted on February 23, 2022. At that meeting, the working group heard an overview from the directors of the Charlotte Sharp Children's Center and the Becky Gates Children Center. At the March 10th meeting, the group heard presentations from Hope Gerde, faculty from the College of Education and from Flora Harmon who offered a student's perspective on early childhood education. The group had a discussion on vision, one program concept, a senior living component, and challenges and opportunities in developing a single early childhood education program.

The other sub-group is focused on creation of an international office. This group met March 2, and March 9, 2022 and identified elements for centralization found across most peer institutes to be included in the working group's recommendations. The group drafted vision and mission statements and guiding principles for global engagement.

Next Major Issue to be Addressed:

The next sub-group meeting for early childhood will include crafting the vision for early childhood program concepts, a senior living component, and educator preparation opportunities. The group will continue to develop an implementation plan based on subsequent meeting discussions.

The international sub-group will continue to work on the vision and mission statements and refine the guiding principles. In addition, the group will identify areas on campus for inclusion in the centralized department based on peer institution models and best practices. Will also discuss resources needed to realize a centralized department. A potential model for centralization has been identified and will need to be further developed.

Problems or Barriers Encountered and Solutions Identified:

None at this time.

Deliverables Completed:

Deliverables are in progress.

Timeline for Completion of Remaining Deliverables:

Both sub-groups plan to complete their work by June 1, 2022.