

## **Teacher Education Council** October 11, 2011

Saint Mary's College Education Department Teacher Education Council met on Tuesday, September 13 at 3:30 in Madeleva 254B. Present were:

Kelly Harrington, Art Department,

Dr. Kara Eberly, Biology,

Jennifer Mason, Chemistry,

Dr. Ros Clark, English,

Dr. Bill Svelmoe, History,

Dr. Natalie Domelle, Math,

Dr. Patrick Pierce, Political Science.

Missing were:

Dr. Julie Storm, Modern Languages,

Dr. Julie Tourtilotte, Art,

Sr. Kathleen Cannon, University of Notre Dame.

Assistant Dean Nicholas Russo, The University of Notre Dame.

Dr. Laurel Thomas, Music,

Education Department members were: Dr. MaryAnn Traxler, Chair, Dr. Amy Gillan, Dr. Kitty Green, Dr. Nancy Turner, and Mrs. Karen VanMeter, Director of Student Teaching/Field Study.

Most of the meeting was devoted to discussing what local measure of content knowledge that is needed to get our programs recognized by the SPAs.

We have been advised by IR that confidentiality is an issue if we use GPA in the major. We discussed the viability of using the senior comp. Representatives will explore that option and report back at our next meeting.

We revisited the field experiences and explained that we have now added a line to final field evaluation forms that will give us information as to IEP and ELL presence in the classrooms our students visit.

The meeting adjourned with the thanks of the Education Department for the excellent attendance and participation. Several Council members expressed their appreciation for the information and the opportunity to participate.