# Discussion of the 6<sup>th</sup> Month Report from Bay Area School of Enterprise- Reach Institute February 2022

#### **Overview of this Report**

This agenda item provides information on the mid-year (six-month) report submitted by Bay Area School of Enterprise (Reach Institute) addressing stipulations resulting from their February 2021 site visit. Following its decision at the <u>May 2021 meeting</u>, the Committee on Accreditation directed Reach Institute to provide an update six months after the site visit on actions it is taking to address the requirements of each stipulation.

### **Staff Recommendation**

It is the staff's recommendation that the Committee on Accreditation accept this report from Reach Institute but take no further action at this time as the program continues to address the stipulations placed upon it by the COA. Staff will continue to work with the institution to provide technical assistance until the March 2022 revisit and present the follow up report at the May 2022 COA meeting.

### Background

An accreditation site visit for Reach Institute was held virtually and took place on February 22-24, 2021. Reach is approved to offer the Preliminary Multiple and Single Subject Intern, Teacher Induction, Preliminary Administrative Services, and Clear Administrative Services programs. Following discussion and deliberation of the report and its recommendations at their <u>May 2021</u> <u>meeting</u>, the COA determined that the institution be granted **Accreditation with Major Stipulations**. Nine stipulations were placed on the institution as provided below and work began to address those stipulations immediately.

Reach Institute Stipulations:

- 1. That the institution provide evidence that it actively involves faculty, instructional personnel, and relevant stakeholders in the organization, coordination, and decision making for all educator preparation programs.
- 2. That the institution provide evidence that it ensures that faculty and instructional personnel regularly and systematically collaborate with colleagues in P-12 settings, college and university units and members of the broader educational community to improve educator preparation.
- 3. That the Preliminary Administrative Services Credential (PASC) and Clear Administrative Services Credential (CASC) programs provide evidence that all faculty who teach and supervise courses and field experiences are qualified and have a thorough understanding of California public schools including content knowledge, knowledge of current context including state adopted P-12 content standards, frameworks, and accountability systems, knowledge of diversity in society, and demonstration of effective professional practices.

- 4. That the institution provide evidence that information and personnel are clearly identified and accessible to guide each candidate's attainment of PASC and CASC program requirements.
- 5. That the PASC and CASC programs provide evidence that site-based supervisors are credentialed, carefully selected, trained, and oriented to provide effective, knowledgeable support for candidates.
- 6. That the institution provides evidence of the implementation of a comprehensive continuous improvement process in which both the unit and its programs regularly assess their effectiveness and make appropriate modifications based on findings. This process must include the systematic collection, analysis, and use of candidate and program completer data as well as data reflecting the effectiveness of unit operations.
- 7. That the institution provide evidence that the continuous improvement process collects feedback from key stakeholders such as employers and community partners about the quality of the programs.
- That the PASC and CASC programs provide evidence that it documents the process through which it ensures that all candidates know and demonstrate the knowledge and skills required by the standards prior to recommendation for a credential.
- 9. Within one year of the COA action, REACH must host a re-visit to collect evidence of actions taken to address the stipulations noted above.

## **Mid-Year Report Contents**

Following the February site visit, Reach Institute's program staff met to discuss the stipulations; this report contains the actions which have and will be taken in addressing each of the stipulations. The mid-year report from Reach Institute was received on November 1st and a summary is provided after Next Steps. Evidence from their report appears to address all stipulations appropriately.

## Next Steps

A revisit will be conducted in the Spring of 2022. The revisit report is scheduled to be presented to the COA at its May 2022 COA meeting. Staff will continue to monitor Reach Institute's progress in addressing its stipulations.

Stipulation	Plans for Addressing Stipulations and Evidence
1. The institution provide	Narrative
evidence that it actively involves	Reach provides a variety of structures and avenues for faculty and staff to contribute to and
faculty, instructional	make decisions regarding the educator preparation programs at Reach.
personnel, and relevant	
stakeholders in the organization,	Evidence - INTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS:
coordination, and decision	Updated Organizational Structure (Beginning in Academic Year 2021-22): A new
making for all educator	organizational structure was put into place that elevated the position of education program
preparation programs.	leaders from Program Coordinators to Program Directors/Associate Deans. These shifts in
	title are emblematic of the organizational, coordination and decision-making responsibilities
	these leaders now hold relative to the curriculum, staffing, budgetary and overall quality of
	programs under their purview.
	Program Director/Associate Dean meetings (ongoing): The three educator prep program
	directors (Intern, Teacher Induction, PASC/CASC) meet biweekly to share resources, make
	decisions regarding the coaching construct at Reach as well as the standardization of shared
	programmatic responsibilities, including coach and mentor logs and the documentation
	therein. <u>Sample Meeting Notes</u>
	Program Team meetings (ongoing): Each Program Director/Associate Dean convenes on a
	weekly or biweekly formal program team meeting with their faculty and designated student
	services associate to make, review, and collaborate on programmatic decisions. Reach holds
	monthly All Hands meetings for all faculty and staff across the Reach community. Information
	is both disseminated and generated during these convenings, allowing all community
	members to provide input into the direction of the organization, including its beliefs and
	mission.
	C&I Continuous Improvement Committee (ongoing): Associate Deans/Program Directors
	participate in the decision making and feedback process across the university, including participation in committee meetings with undergraduate faculty. (Formerly the Curriculum &
	Instruction Planning Council)
	Evidence- EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS:
	Stakeholder Advisories (ongoing): Program Directors/Associate Deans are instituting
	advisory meetings to occur twice annually, which involve key stakeholders' feedback,

### Steps Taken by Reach Institute to Address Stipulations

Stipulation	Plans for Addressing Stipulations and Evidence
	Broader Educational Community:
	<ul> <li>Member/Partner Organization: 100Kin10 National Network; Provost/Dean of Graduate</li> </ul>
	Studies, Liz Baham
	<ul> <li>Executive Committee: California County Boards of Education Joe Ross</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>2021 Cohort Members: Stand Together Foundation, Chancellor Mallory Dwinal Palisch,</li> </ul>
	President Joe Ross
3. The Preliminary Administrative	Narrative: PASC faculty and the faculty coach, and the CASC faculty and CASC coaches have a
Services Credential (PASC) and	thorough understanding of P-12 public school content, context, and standards as they are
Clear Administrative Services	currently, or recently, serving as P-12 administrators and/or central office personnel,
Credential (CASC) programs	coaches, and School Board Trustees.
provide evidence that all faculty	Furthermore, PASC and CASC coaches have been vetted through an identified criterion list
who teach and supervise courses	adapted from the CTC program standards, employed through a survey of interest, experience
and field experiences are qualified	and knowledge.
and have a thorough	
understanding of California public	Evidence:
schools including content	PASC/CASC Faculty CVs:
knowledge, knowledge of current	PASC Faculty CV: Carol Johnson Williams (Program Director/Associate Dean/Lead Faculty)
context including state adopted P-	CASC Faculty CVs: Carol Johnson Williams (Program Director/Associate Dean/Lead Faculty,
12 content standards,	PASC Program); Pam VanDeKamp (Associate
frameworks, and accountability	Professor/Lead Faculty, CASC Program)
systems, knowledge of diversity in	
society, and demonstration of	CASC Coaches:
effective professional practices	CASC Coach Survey: All CASC coaches were screened using a survey to determine if or how
(PASC Program Standard 4; CASC	their credentials, education, training and experience align with candidates' needs.
Program Standard 3; Common	CASC Candidate Survey: All CASC candidates completed a survey providing information about
Standard 3).	their role, context, and coaching preferences.

Stipulations 4-9 have not yet been fully implemented but are in the process of being put into effect at the institution. Below are the institution's plans for addressing these stipulations. These will be fully evaluated at the revisit in May 2022.

Stipulation	Plans for Addressing Stipulations and Evidence
4. That the institution provide	Program personnel will be posted, with photos, titles and email addresses
evidence that information and	on our website, communicated via welcome letters. Information
personnel are clearly identified	contain student services, faculty and program leadership:
and accessible to guide each	
candidate's attainment of PASC	
and CASC program requirements.	
5. That the PASC and CASC	PASC/CASC program leadership will identify candidate's Supervisors and
programs provide evidence that	Mentors and the beginning of the year, either through the Partner
site-based supervisors are	Meetings, which occur prior to the start of the academic year, or during
credentialed, carefully selected,	a class or coaching session.
trained, and oriented to provide	When Supervisors and Mentors are identified Reach will send them a
effective, knowledgeable support	Welcome Deck which outlines the specifics of the PASC and CASC
for candidates.	program respectively, as well as the (note that some have received an
	orientation during Partner Meetings). Coach and supervisor/mentor
	meetings will occur as part of the candidate support / development process
	and will be documented in coaching logs.
6. That the institution provides	The institution uses Midyear Survey templates (blank) for all programs. Faculty will meet on
evidence of the implementation	Jan. 21st to conduct program level analysis using the Reflection and Next Steps Data
of a comprehensive continuous	Worksheets.
improvement process in which	<ul> <li>MY Survey ILA Induction Y1 (blank)</li> </ul>
both the unit and its programs	<ul> <li>MY Survey ILA Induction Y2 (blank)</li> </ul>
regularly assess their	<ul> <li>MY Survey ILA PASC (blank)</li> </ul>
effectiveness and make	• MY Survey Intern Y1 (blank)
appropriate modifications based	• MY Survey Intern Y2 (blank)
on findings. This process must	<ul> <li>MY Teacher Induction (blank)</li> </ul>
include the systematic collection,	<ul> <li>MY Teacher Induction - Mentors (blank)</li> </ul>
analysis, and use of candidate and	<ul> <li>Intern Program Critical Reflection Worksheet</li> </ul>
program completer data as well as	<ul> <li>Teacher Induction Critical Reflection Worksheet</li> </ul>

data reflecting the effectiveness of unit operations.	ILA PASC /CASC Critical Reflection Worksheet
7. That the institution provide evidence that the continuous improvement process collects feedback from key stakeholders such as employers and community partners about the quality of the programs.	<ul> <li>Reach faculty are scheduled to meet on January 21st to analyze and determine next steps</li> <li>re: midyear surveys, including program and Stakeholder Survey data.</li> <li>Additionally, each program has held their first of three advisory</li> <li>meetings which include current students, program alum, and partners.</li> <li>Stakeholder Survey (midyear)</li> <li>ILA Advisory Board Agenda</li> <li>ILA Advisory Board Jamboard (notes)</li> <li>Intern Advisory Board Meeting Agenda and Notes</li> <li>Intern Advisory Board Meeting Slide Deck</li> <li>Teacher Induction Program Board Meeting Agenda and Notes</li> <li>Note: The Teacher Induction Program did not use a PPT deck for their meeting, everything is contained in the agenda.</li> </ul>
8. That the PASC and CASC programs provide evidence that it documents the process through which it ensures that all candidates know and demonstrate the knowledge and skills required by the standards prior to recommendation for a credential.	<ul> <li>Description of Credential Recommendation Process</li> <li>PASC Matrix of Courses / CAPE Alignment</li> <li>PASC Candidate ILP</li> <li>CASC Candidate ILP</li> <li>End of year Checklist (CASC Y1)</li> <li>End of Year Checklist (CASC Y2)</li> <li>End of Year Checklist (PASC)</li> </ul>