

## **Dec. 4, 2014 General Education Committee –APPROVED minutes**

Present: Voting members: Shaila Christofferson, Amber Wise, Steve Rowe, Liz Osika, Sarah Buck, Monique Germain, Rosalind Fielder, Christine Ohale, Joni Jackson(appointed today) Ex-officio members: Mark Suddeith, Devi Potluri, Philip Cronce. GEAC guests: Eddy Gaytan, Das Janssen

Quorum reached at 12:40, Called to order:

- Comment on excellent attendance of non-voting members on this committee. The committee thanks you for your service.
- Motion was made to temporarily appoint Joni Jackson to Gen Ed Committee. by L. Osika, 2nd by S. Christofferson. Vote: unanimous yes
- Review and approve minutes from Nov. meeting
  - Motion made by R. Fielder to approve Nov. 2014 minutes pending any small cosmetic changes to be emailed to Amber, 2nd by Shaila. Vote: unanimous yes
- Review revisions to MMIS proposal
  - Confusion over how many M's.....should be corrected on form. Application indicates for ONLY MIS program, but verbal discussions have indicated this form is relevant for all three programs. Clarification will be obtained.
  - Seems the application meets all current requirements, but there is an inconsistency between catalog and application...
  - Motion by S. Rowe to approve MMIS proposal as submitted with the understanding that the GenEd requirements for this program are not actually changing. Suggestion to add a line to "check current catalog requirements to ensure compliance", 2nd by P. Cronce, unanimous approval.
- Course Review: examining "the bucket" courses and decisions on which to add to approved list
  - Natural Sciences:
    - Bio1710, required for Bio students, also other STEM students,
      - Motion made by A. Wise to approve Bio 1710 for Natural Science courses, 2nd by Shaila,
      - Vote: all yes, one abstention, no opposed, motion passes.
    - PH S 1080 – already approved for Critical Thinking, does the assessment cover both areas of Critical Thinking and Natural Science?
      - Motion made by P. Cronce to approve PH S 1080 as Natural Science , 2nd by Amber,
      - Vote: all yes, one abstention, no opposed, motion passes.
  - Social Sciences:
    - Motion made by P. Cronce to approve Anth 1010, POL 1010, SOC 1010 as Social Science courses, 2nd by A. Wise .
      - Discussion: POL 1010 and 1000 do not have complete application packets.....there are many other POL courses available for students. POL 1000 is already approved as critical thinking course.....removed POL 1010 from list. Updated motion: To approve ANTH 1010 and SOC 1010 as Social Sciences:
      - Vote: all ayes, one abstention, motion approved.
    - A. Wise motion to eliminate HIS 2840/2850 and POL 1000 due to incomplete applications, 2nd by P. Cronce.

- Vote: 5 yes, 2 abstentions, 0 nos, motion approved.
- Motion made by P. Cronce? to remove H S 2200, SOC 1110, SOC/GEOG 1500 from consideration, 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Ohale.
  - Discussion: why are they getting cut now without discussion – we pushed them forward previously so we could discuss them further....can we table these for further discussion?
  - Vote: six NO, three abstentions, motion does not pass.
- Motion made S. Rowe to approve AFAM 1020, ANTH 2010, SOC 1200, SOC 1250, and removing SOC 2300 because it contains a prerequisite, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Cronce.
  - Vote: unanimous approval
- Further discussion:
  - ART 2150 has submitted additional material and will be added to Moodle for further review, also needs to be added to the Diversity list.
  - Elections: materials need to be disseminated in March for open seats and coordinate candidates. Discussion needs to be had before March meeting.
  - Meeting schedule for Spring: Feb. 5, Mar 5, Apr 2, May 7.
  - Introductions were made for the benefit of new member, Joni Jackson.
- Proposed meeting for Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> to ensure enough time for decision making. People are encouraged to read over proposals on bucket list so updated information can be discussed during the meeting.
- Adjourned at 1:59pm