Faculty Senate Minutes
April 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Athletics.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the March 15, 2016 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as corrected. Special thanks to Senator Orr for serving as secretary at the March 15 meeting.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

CHANGE TO UNDERGRADUATE POLICY

(1) Proposal defining Credit Hours was approved without dissent.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

(2) DESN 225: Visual Storytelling and Comics, 3 credits, G1, DL. Proposal for new course to introduce vocabulary and principles of visual storytelling was approved without dissent.

(3) MUSI 294: Live Audio Production, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that explores the technology and techniques necessary to produce concerts in a variety of venues was approved without dissent.

(4) MUSI 390: Marketing and Promotion in the Music Industry, 3 credits. Proposal for new course to provide a comprehensive understanding of marketing and promotion in the music industry was approved without dissent.

(5) MUSI 397: International Music Business, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that examines the cultural, technological, and financial components of the international music industry was approved without dissent.

(6) MUSI 398: Songwriting and Composition, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that explores techniques necessary to write and produce commercial pop songs and scores for radio, film, commercials, and video games was approved without dissent.

(7) MUSI 490: Music Management Capstone, 3 credits. Proposal for new course that applies concepts in the music industry through an entrepreneurial approach by developing a business plan and launching a project into the real world was approved without dissent.

(8) ART 305: Women in Art, 3 credits, G1, W, D. Proposal for course to review how gender issues affect the visual arts was approved without dissent.
(9) German Studies Minor. A new minor with additional emphasis on cultural studies was approved without dissent.

(10) Spanish Studies Minor. Proposal for a new minor emphasizing cultural studies was approved without dissent.

**CHANGE TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

(11) MUSI 290: Music Industry. Proposal to change course number was approved without dissent.

(12) BA Art. Proposal to update degree with new course options was approved without dissent.

(13) ART 410: Intermediate Photo: Digital. Proposal to remove prerequisite was approved without dissent.

(14) DESN 342: Kinetic Design and Animation. Proposal to change title and update description was approved without dissent.

(15) ENGL. Proposal to take ENGL 313 after 45 credits rather than 60 was approved without dissent.

(16) Anthropology minor, General Anthropology and Cultural Anthropology options. Proposal to modify requirements and options was approved without dissent.

III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Faculty Senate Chair Börger-Greco reminded senators that originals of curriculum proposals should be submitted to her by Friday before Senate meetings to be considered. She announced the summer Senate meeting will be held June 14 at 3 p.m. and reminded ACFN, CSCI, ESCI, ECON, NURS, PHYS, PSYC, and WSSD departments to hold elections for their senator and alternate. She encouraged faculty to attend commencements in regalia and to volunteer for committee service.

Dr. Shibley summarized results from alumni responses to a job placement survey conducted in recent years. More specific data reports are available via the Assessment website. Dr. Revelt, Dr. Shibley and Dr. Prabhu reported on 2014-15 Performance Funding and alignment with strategic goals.

Mr. Owenz and Mr. Dulay reported on the upcoming redesign of Millersville’s website. The need for mobile-friendly content and consistency was highlighted, and it was noted that work will begin soon on planning for goals and processes. Senators requested that everyday users be considered in addition to a focus on recruitment. The possibility of some sort of tiers being used with different levels of customization was suggested by Mr. Owenz.
IV. Report of the Student Senate

Incoming Student Senate President Justin Pierre reported on students advocating for funding in Harrisburg and a summary of campus initiatives, including Campus Cupboard, Noonan grants, and textbook grants, funded through Student Senate in conjunction with Student Service.

V. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VI. Report of the Administrative Officers

**Provost**

Provost Prabhu announced an A-Team focused on Campus Communication Issues and requested identification of faculty to participate.

**Associate Provost**

Associate Provost Adams noted an April 15 event to be held in place of the cancelled spring convocation.

VII. Curricular Notices

The campus has been notified of the following proposals.

**CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

1. BA English. Proposal to redesign curriculum.
2. DESN 342: Kinetic Design and Animation. Proposal to change title and update description.
5. BA Art. Proposal to update degree with new course options.

**NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

7. DESN 225: Visual Storytelling and Comics, 3 credits, G1, DL. Proposal for new course to introduce vocabulary and principles of visual storytelling.
8. DESN 201: Understanding Web Design, 3 credits, G1. Proposal for new course on the meaning, methods, and concepts necessary to understand Web Design.
(9) GFED 377: Portrayals of the Gifted in Popular Culture: Myth vs. Reality, 3 credits, P, D, DL. Proposal for new course looking a gifted individuals through a popular culture lens.

VIII. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

**GCPRC**

Dr. Mowrey distributed a notification of changes made to the M. Ed. In Assessment, Curriculum & Teaching by the PASSHE BOG when the program was approved. Dr. Mowrey noted that similar notifications would be beneficial whenever changes are made to approved curriculum beyond the Millersville campus. She also noted that Millersville would be hosting an event for doctoral-level PASSHE programs.

**CHANGES TO GRADUATE POLICY**

Dr. Mowrey distributed proposed updates to language of the GCPRC governance document and addition of functions of informing campus of curricular changes made after Millersville’s approval and selecting GAAC members.

**NEW GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

(10) ELPP 510: Special Education Law, 3 credits. Proposal for new course providing an overview of federal law pertaining to special education students.

(11) ENGL 677: Writing Pedagogy for the Secondary & College Classroom, 3 credits. Proposal for new course to develop effective teachers of writing.

(12) ENGL 678: Writer’s Workshop: The Teacher as Writer I or II, 3 credits. Proposal for course to help develop writing skills of K-12 teachers.

**MDSTCC**

Senator Bookmiller distributed a proposed change to the MDST program regarding initiation of student-designed programs for transfer students and a requirement for a 2.0 minimum GPA in each core area.

**JSC**

Survey for faculty to provide feedback on the Common Hour was approved without dissent.

**GERC**

Senator Baker introduced a proposal to remove the P waiver for study abroad experiences since students will have D waived instead.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees
X. Faculty Emeriti

A Sciarretta/Adyanga motion that Dr. Michelle M. White be granted the honorary title of Associate Professor of Academic and Student Development Emerita was approved without dissent.

XI. Elections

Previous nominations were distributed and the floor opened for additional nominations. A Börger-Greco/Cook motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for each unopposed candidate was approved without dissent.

XII. Other/New Business

None

Meeting was adjourned after elections (5:47 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller
Faculty Senate Secretary

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