Faculty Senate Minutes November 17, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Counseling & Human Development.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the November 3, 2015 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as corrected without dissent.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

NEW GRADUATE COURSE

- (1) MATH 602: Equity Issues in Mathematics Education, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.
- (2) MATH 606: Noyce Transitioning to the First Year in a High-Needs School District, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.
- (3) MATH 607: Noyce Moving to Tenure, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.
- (4) MATH 618: Assessment in the 7-12 Mathematics Classroom, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.
- (5) MATH 619: Perspectives for Teaching High School Mathematics, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.
- (6) MATH 622: Teaching Mathematics in the 21st Century, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.
- (7) ELPP 890: Research in Educational Leadership Part I, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.

CONSENT AGENDA: CHANGES

- (8) ART 291: Intro: Fine Art Metals/Jewelry. Proposal to change title and update course description was approved without dissent.
- (9) ART 391: Fine Art Metals: Casting, G1. Proposal to change title, update course description, and add G1 label was approved without dissent.
- (10) ART 491: Fine Art Metals: Form Emphasis. Proposal to change title and update course description was approved without dissent.

(11) ART 492: Advanced Fine Art Metals/Jewelry. Proposal to change title, update course description, and remove ART 491 as prerequisite was approved without dissent.

ACADEMIC POLICY CHANGES

(12) MDST Program. Proposal to change policy relating to student-crafted MDST proposals was approved as amended without dissent.

A revised version was distributed to senators.

(13) Graduation Honors. Proposal to allow students completing a second baccalaureate degree to be awarded Latin Honors was approved without dissent.

Clarification was made to the APC proposal regarding use of an internal Notification of Intent when initiating new academic programs to aid discussion of broad implications for the program prior to extensive development. Senators should consider the proposal for review at the next meeting.

- (14) Laboratory (L) Designation. Proposal to define characteristics of an L designation was approved without dissent.
- (15) Perspectives (P) Designation. Proposal to remove the multi-cultural aspect from P courses was approved without dissent.
- (16) Perspectives (P) waiver expansion. Proposal to expand the P waiver for study abroad semesters to include professional experiences such as field placements or internships was approved without dissent with the understanding that further consideration will be done on how academic experiences abroad correspond to General Education designations.
- III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Faculty Senate Chair Börger-Greco encouraged faculty to attend commencement on December 13 in regalia. She also welcomed former Student Senate President Justin Miller who was observing as part of his graduate studies in higher education.

IV. Report of the Student Senate

Student Senate President Christian Copeland reported on students applying for textbook grants.

V. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VI. Report of the Administrative Officers

Associate Provost

Dr. Adams reminded faculty of CAE sessions and content available online and encouraged attendance at the Brossman-Frisbie Science Lectureship.

VII. Curricular Notices

The campus has been notified of the following proposals.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSE

(1) ESCI 381: Water Wars: The Science and Policy of Water Resources, 3 credits, P. Interdisciplinary investigation of the causes and solutions of water crises.

CHANGE IN UNDERGRADUATE COURSE

- (2) ESCI 261: Introduction to Oceanography. Add MATH 151 to the list of courses that can satisfy the math prerequisite.
- VIII. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

GERC

Senator Baker requested that departments discuss the relationship of study abroad experiences within the General Education program. Discussion included:

- Concerns regarding that the time frames defined may not fit all programs.
- Students are able to submit an exception request to have significant experiences satisfy the P waiver. It was noted this can only be done with entries within DARS but it is important that students can confirm an exception prior to completion of the credits.
- Concerns were reiterated about denying satisfaction of significant crosscultural experience based on the length of the program.
- Suggestion that a justification for courses could be considered by the appropriate sub-committee.
- Suggestion that an alternative topic course could be developed that includes the label.

UCPRC

Dr. Dreon reported on sub-committee activity.

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

Curriculum Restructuring Committee

Dr. Börger-Greco reported on an upcoming proposal regarding committee representation.

X. Faculty Emeriti

None

XI. Other/New Business

There is interest in hearing from students and faculty on the Common Hour. Joint Senate Conference was charged with developing a collaborative approach to collecting feedback.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller Faculty Senate Secretary

Action Summary:

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