

Educational Policies Committee (EPC)
Minutes, 3 September 2009

Members Present: C. Works, T. Stearns, M. Milligan, S. Cabaniss, K. Grady, L. Morrow, A. Gilinsky, S. Cunningham, Rheyna Laney, proxy for M. Clark, J. Tice.

Liaisons Present: Melinda Barnard, Academic Programs; Robert Coleman-Senghor, APC

Visitors: Vanessa Franklin

1. Chair (C. Works) called meeting to order (11:00 A.M.)
2. MM: Motion to Add Soc. 443 as Business Item to Agenda
 - a. TS seconded motion
 - b. Motion approved, item added as 6a
3. SC asked for Consent Items to be added to Business Items
 - a. CALS Program Review letter added as 7 (First Reading)
 - b. AMCS Program Review letter added as 8 (First Reading)
4. No minutes attached to Agenda, so no minutes were approved from 5/21/09 meeting.

Reports:

1. Chair Report:
 - a. 4 day module discussion to come to EPC (9/17)
 - b. Senate Standing Committee Chairs' release time "being revisited."
2. Academic Programs Report:
 - a. This year is a Catalog year.
 - i. Online catalog
 - ii. Print version to be outsourced to LuLu. Print version will cost those who want to buy
 - b. Possible Change from Blackboard (WebCT) to Moodle (Google)
 - c. Health Center reports 1 student with Swine Flu diagnosed. Question for EPC has been raised re: faculty Attendance Policies vis-à-vis CDC recommendation for infected people to self-quarantine
 - i. TS Motion to refer to Exec. Committee for direction and referral to appropriate committee
 1. SC seconded
 2. Motion passed

Business:

1. Video Presentation on Robert's Rules of Order
 - a. It was noted that EPC Chair can make motions per RR, changing historical practice.
2. Furlough Impact on EPC: Discussion
 - a. MB noted that faculty can change furlough days during semester
 - b. TS: Motion to have EPC take up question of furlough impact on university curriculum
 - i. RL seconded
 - ii. Discussion

1. One member asked how students are getting full course content, thus attaining full units for course?
 2. AG Point of Order: Asked chair whether discussion was addressing the motion
- iii. Motion passed
3. Assignment of minutes
4. Assignment of liaisons to subcommittees:
 - a. GSS: KG and TS both sit as members, will informally report
 - b. Univ. Standards: no EPC members volunteered
 - c. GE Subcommittee: CW asked for someone to replace her. No volunteers. CW will continue to liaise
 - d. Senate Budget Committee: TS volunteered to serve as EPC Chair's designee
 - e. APC: RCS will liaise from APC to EPC
5. Program Review Discussion and Assignments
6. Master Catalog Course Change Form (MCCCF)
 - a. Sociology 443: MCCCF Request to move to Permanent Status
 - i. Approved
Vanessa Franklin asked EPC to consider making changes to MCCCF
 - ii. 2 separate forms: one for minor, non-curricular changes, 1 for curricular content changes? Alternatively, don't require EPC approval for minor, non-curricular changes
 - iii. Electronic format v. 4 part forms
7. CALS Program Review Letter, First Reading
 - a. Suggestions for changes to letter
8. AMCS Program Review Letter, First Reading
 - a. Suggestions for changes to letter

Discussion Items:

No Friday Classes Module proposal draft from Provost

LM: Deleterious affects on Music Dept. and on Theater and Dance—affects delivery of curriculum

Another member mentioned affect on Hutchins.

Another member mentioned that no SST Chairs supported proposal

Submitted by Thaine Stearns, 9/11/09