Minutes

Academic Matters Council
Wednesday, October 16, 2013

Linda Shea, Co-chair
Cindy Suopis, Co-chair

Attendees: Neal Abraham, Wes Autio, Martha Baker, Carol Barr, Laura Briggs, Stephanie Chapko, Ginger Etinde, Stuart Farber, Heath Hatch, Patrick Kelly, Nancy Lamb, John Lenzi, Meredith Lind, Ernie May, Domonic Mei, M.J. Peterson, Linda Shea, Cindy Suopis, David Vacchi and guest, Craig Nicholson

Approve Minutes of September 18, 2013 – included in the Program Subcommittee are Heath Hatch, Bryan Harvey and Bryan Beck. Also, the Honors Subcommittee was removed from AMC listing.

The Minutes of September 18, 2013 were APPROVED with additions.

Announcements

New Business

Five College Cross Registration Report for 2012-2013 and previous years – Review given by Neal Abraham.

Grading Criteria in Course Syllabi – Review of the current grading criteria was presented by David Vacchi.

Old Business

Select additional member(s) for Academic Priorities Council Liaison: Nancy Lamb was appointed.

Select members and Chair for Policy Subcommittee: Last year’s members (Pamela Marsh-Williams, Bryan Harvey, John Lenzi, Patrick Sullivan) will continue to serve. Linda and Cindy will seek an additional faculty member for this council.

Select Chair for Course Subcommittee: M.J. Peterson agreed to be the ‘Chair of Record’ (this subcommittee does not have an ‘official’ chair.)

Subcommittee Reports:

Course

A MOTION was PASSED to postpone evaluating Comm 437 and Biochem 576, and to add Comm 435*, Bio 109* and Kin 324*. The Motion was APPROVED.

Comm 315, “Critical Folklore Studies” APPROVED
Comm 319, “Health Communication” APPROVED
Comm 332, “Convergent Media and Activism” APPROVED
Comm 415, “Humor and Public Culture” APPROVED
Comm 437, “Global Communication Theories and Issues” APPROVED
Comm 435, “Latina/o media and Cultural Production” APPROVED*
Span 324, “Introduction to Latino/a Literature” APPROVED
Biochem 576, “Biotechnology Process Engineering laboratory” APPROVED
Chem-Eng 575, “Tissue Engineering” APPROVED
Chem-Eng 567, “Biotechnology Process Engineering Laboratory” APPROVED
Educ 503,”Sheltered English Immersion: Access to Academics for PK-12 English Language APPROVED
Bio 422, “Experimental Methods in Ecology” APPROVED
Bio 109, “Evolution Explained” APPROVED*
Kin 346, “Clinical and Public Health Implications of Obesity” APPROVED*

Program (Patrick Kelly)

Management Concentration in Sustainable Business Practice – Craig Nicholson will contact the various department heads regarding this. APPROVED

Policy

Other Business

Next Meeting: Wednesday November 6, 2013 @ 12:15 PM, Campus Center 804-808.