

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES
MARCH 1, 2013

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Present: Dr. Allan, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Aryainejad, Mr. Goldacker, Dr. Hickman, Dr. Konkle, Dr. Laingen, Dr. New Freeland, Dr. Somayajulu, Dr. Tucker, Mr. Anderson, and Ms. Tanquary

Visitors: Dr. Rich Wandling, Dr. Rebecca Throneburg and Dr. Stephen Lucas

Dr. New Freeland called the meeting to order at 2:01 PM.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the February 1, 2013 meeting were approved by acclamation on the motion of Dr. Konkle and the second of Dr. Somayajulu.

II. Communications

A. College of Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee 1-23-13

B. College of Education and Professional Studies CC 1-28-13

C. Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Studies CC 2-11-13

D. Council on Teacher Education Secondary Ed. Prof. Seq. (information only) Ms. Lynch advised the committee that this was approved by COTE on 2/26/13.

III. Proposals

13-8 Revision of PLS Departmental Honors Program, effective FA 2013

Dr. Somayajulu moved and Dr. Konkle seconded the motion to approve the proposal. Dr. Wandling presented the proposal and replied to questions from the committee. The proposal was approved unanimously.

IV. Other Business

A. CAA Learning Goals Review Dr. Rebecca Throneburg and Dr. Stephen Lucas from CAA made a presentation to the committee of the CAA Learning Goals Review and answered questions from the committee. Dr. Lucas emphasized that changes to improve student learning goal achievement should be faculty led and explained that CAA was looking for ways to encourage that in a systemic and systematic way. Dr. Throneburg discussed the review CAA has been conducting and discussed the data they have developed. Dr. Throneburg and Dr. Lucas discussed possible changes that could be considered in the learning goals to incorporate critical thinking more integrally in the speaking and writing goals and to possibly identify a new learning goal of numeric literacy/quantitative reasoning (also referred to as math and science literacy) separate from its current embedded role within the critical thinking goal.

Dr. Anderson and Ms. Tanquary, left during this discussion.

A request was made for COSCC to suggest possible language for a ***numeric literacy/quantitative reasoning learning goal***. Volunteers for a subcommittee were requested by the chair and that group (Dr. New Freeland, Dr. Tucker, Mr. Anderson, Dr. Konkle, Dr. Allan and Dr. Somayajulu) plans to meet, possibly with the COS representative on CAA, Dr. Klarup, to discuss that language prior to the next COSCC meeting. Dr. Throneburg will forward a summary of other Illinois schools with similar learning goals for their reference.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM on the motion of Dr. Konkle and the second of Dr. Somayajulu.
Amy Lynch, Recorder

NEXT MEETING

2 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2013

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