

COLLEGE OF SCIENCES CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES

APRIL 4, 2014

The College of Sciences Curriculum Committee minutes are available on the Web at <http://www.eiu.edu/~coscurr/>.

Present: Dr. Allan, Dr. Hickman, Dr. New Freeland, Ms. Smitley, Dr. Somayajulu, Dr. Tucker, Ms. Sangpeal, and Associate Dean Obia

Visitors: Dr. Rebecca Throneburg

Dr. Allan called the meeting to order 2:00 PM.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the February 7, 2014 meeting and the March 7, 2014 electronic meeting were approved by acclamation.

II. Presentation by Committee for the Assessment of Student Learning (CASL)

Dr. Rebecca Throneburg presented information and answered questions from the committee concerning assessment of the university learning goals. She also discussed curricular developments in CAA this year including the recent workshops on the revised learning goals, the recently approved credit hour policy, the course proposal format that was approved at CAA and is pending before CGS, and the revised syllabus policy which will be before CAA and CGS soon. The committee discussed the steps that can be taken in departmental curriculum committees to assess and improve the success of our students in achieving the university learning goals.

III. Communications

- A. Lumpkin College of Business & Applied Sciences 2-17,14, 3-24-14
- B. College of Education and Professional Studies 2-10-14, 3-24-14
- C. College of Arts and Humanities 1-29-14, 2-12-14, 3-5-14
- D. New Credit Hour Policy approved by CAA 2-20-14

IV. Executive Actions

The following items were approved by executive action:

- Request from Biological Sciences to revise the Pre-Health sections of the undergraduate catalog
- Request from Economics to revise the course description for ECN 4444 and ECN 4666
- Request from Psychology to revise the course titles for PSY 5021, 5030, 6660

V. Other Business

A. **Elections.** Ms. Lynch advised the committee that we have two remaining meetings scheduled and suggested that the election for the vice-chair be held at the April 18 meeting. It was announced that Dr. Hickman, the current vice-chair, will be leaving the university and taking a job elsewhere, so an election will also be held for the chair of next year's committee.

1. The candidates for chair, will be those who will be in their FINAL term of service next year:
Dr. Sirus Aryajinejad, Physics Department
Dr. Ravi Somayajulu, Mathematics & Computer Science Department
Dr. Gordon Tucker, Biological Sciences

2. The candidates for vice-chair will be those in their second year of service next year:

Dr. Lisa New Freeland, Sociology-Anthropology Department

Dr. Jim Riley, Geology-Geography Department

Ms. Jean Smitley, Communication Disorders & Sciences Department

B. **New Members:** Ms. Lynch and Dr. Hickman also advised the committee that the following members are finishing their final year on the committee:

Dr. Wesley Allan, Psychology Department

Dr. Kevin Anderson, Political Science Department

Dr. Sue Gosse, RN to BS in Nursing Program (She was serving the 3rd year of Renee Kidd-Marshall's term)

Dr. Mary Konkle, Chemistry Department

and we will need a one year replacement for the final year of this term:

Dr. Daniel Hickman, Economics Department

Dr. Hickman has contacted the departments to request the names of the department representatives for next year, and when the new representatives are chosen they will be listed in the COSCC minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM on the motion of Dr. New Freeland and the second of Dr. Hickman.

Amy Lynch, Recorder

NEXT MEETING

2 PM FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014

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