

Senate Meeting June 1, 2009

Rosemary Powers
Kathleen Dahl
Richard Croft
Jodi Varon
Peter Johnson
Dean Levine
Provost Jaeger
DeAnna Timmerman
Steve Jenkins
Beth Upshaw
Steve Tanner
Jeff Vermeer
Dan Mielke
Leandro Espinosa
Sharon Porter
Kat Galloway
Jessica Plattner
Joe Corsini
Ruthi Davenport
Kerri Wenger by phone later in the meeting

Meeting called to order at 3:15

Steve announced changes in Senators for next year
Jeff Vermeer replaces Gerry Ramey
Kathleen Dahl replaces Greg Monahan
Jeff Johnson, Jodi Varon, Ruthi Davenport completing term but returning next year
Frederick Pratter, Jessica Plattner, Karyn Gomez, Sharon Porter, David Drexler, Beth Upshaw new next year
ASEOU Student representative not yet known

EPCC Items

Request to remove PPE items from this agenda to be covered at a later time
Consent agenda – Anthropology changes – HUM 101, 102 – Liberal Studies courses, Psychology course, Statistics course
PE removed, Spanish, Art moved to standard agenda
Moved and seconded to approve consent agenda
Passes unanimously

Two items moved off consent agenda

Art 366 course

Why removed from consent agenda – concern about new classes

Simply a number change – has been a 310 taught for four years – not a new class - just requiring a new number

No effect on load – has been taught – not really a special topics class – just a title change – in the media arts program – also in film studies – it's been regularly taught for four years

What has enrollment been?

12-16 students which is its cap – darkroom course – been full since it started – no enrollment problems

Moved and seconded to approve

Passes unanimously

Spanish 335, 336, 350 courses – moved and seconded to approve - formally Humanities courses – adding a Spanish prefix could be Spanish or HUM – are they cross-listed – modern language faculty trying to get these courses to give students global perspective

Doesn't increase anyone's contract – how does that work – Barb would have to answer – not taught overload - would these classes alternate with four other classes every other year – same staff would teach – two year cycle – starting Fall 2009 – want to get approved for modern language, global culture major – helping to develop that program - concern about FTE implications – there are none - enough enrollment to keep the courses – Rosemary talked with Regina – only one is a new course – the others are name changes

Moved and seconded to approve Spanish and Humanities changes

Passes unanimously

Standard Agenda

COMPUTER SCIENCE CERTIFICATE

EPCC had discussion – determined that the minimum value should be 20 credits for a certificate – first certificate being proposed has only 12 credits – escape clause in there that if there are skills or training involved, there could be some flexibility in those credits - vetted to computer science multi media certificate to industry advisory council – they have jobs for people with these certificates – we feel this is something we're doing for the community in time of economic hardship – 12 credits each for certificates in Computer Programming 1 and 2 (Certificate 1 is a prerequisite)

Certificate in web authoring – 15 credits – Certificate in systems engineering – All these are job training – can be used if students can decide to go on for their BS degrees

Rationale for allowing these certificates with just 12 credits instead of 20 – unemployed people with families can get jobs with just three classes

Why not add MTH 111 – usually math expertise is ok if coming from the workforce – just need to upgrade skill set – has been checked with registrar – concern that it lists MTH 111 – in catalog – should say other experiences or math classes would be acceptable – what job could they get? entry level computer programming – should be made available to target audience – right now it states that MTH 111 is a prerequisite - if you really don't need it, then should take it out – students don't need to be admitted to

EOU to take certificate program – check on students’ ability to be successful before they’re in the program

Certificate approvals have to go to Provosts Council

Question what this has to do with our mission – charge we have been given - governor in speech comments that EOU and the Community Colleges on the eastern side of the state will have to better meet the students’ needs – need to provide educational opportunities and have to see ourselves as an institution that will meet more needs – need to ensure students will have enough assessment as they enter to be sure students will be successful, not just bringing students

In promotional materials for certificates – can put something about MATH prerequisite to not scare people away

Moved and seconded to approve

Passes unanimously – Computer science certificate

SPANISH CERTIFICATE and new courses related to it

Barb Schulz saw need for professionals such as EMT’s to learn Spanish – now moving forward with certificate – Spanish for Health Care Professionals – two year program – Barb teaching first year – weekend colleges – not doing hybrid - niche for EOU – heightens our reputation for diversity and improves relationship with community – several areas that have growing Hispanic populations – these are overload and self-supporting – no resource implications

Concern that all courses have the same title – consistent with naming of language courses – discussed a lot at EPCC – concerned that syllabi are the same – learning outcomes the same

Moved and seconded to approve

Barb came in – said it is the same subject all year – taken in sequence

Hybrid configuration – just allow some people at a distance to take only the online version

114 and 124 difference - the other is onsite practice added component – 114-115-116 – only online - is core Spanish directed to health professionals – 124-125-126 – equivalent but added practice onsite with oral language – one sequence is online – one sequence is on campus

Cannot say in syllabus whether it is taught online or on site

Marketing suggestion – native speakers of Spanish to refine their vocabulary in health terminology

Passes unanimously - Spanish Certificate

WRITING CERTIFICATE

Moved and seconded to approve

Graduate certificate – also talks about the AA degree – confusing – clarified – same EPCC form for two purposes

Purpose of a graduate certificate – leads toward a graduate degree – for the graduate certificate, have to have a baccalaureate degree - all grad courses – not recognized by districts per se – no endorsement – additionally – serves as a cognate for the MS program

Passes unanimously – Writing Certificate

BIOLOGY PROGRAM CHANGES

Moved and seconded

Joe summarized the program – creating concentrations within the program to be in line with other programs at other institutions

Passes unanimously

MEDIA ARTS

Multimedia, English Writing, Media Arts – created film production – refinement of new program created four years ago – rationale is to respond to industry needs

Moved and seconded

Film production sequence –

Passes unanimously

THEATRE

Changes program changes – new hire in set design – technical aspects – flesh it out – brought rigor – more international sequence

Moved and seconded

Passes unanimously

Honors Committee elections – three open positions – approve DeAnna for one more year by acclamation – other positions filled in next year

Jill Gibian approved by acclamation for Research and Development Fund Committee – other positions filled next year

Nominations for President – DeAnna Timermann – Ruthi Davenport

Winner – DeAnna

Vice President – Ruthi Davenport – only nominee

Secretary – Postpone elections until Fall Term

Representative to University Council – Postpone until Fall Term

Moved and seconded to accept Allen's wordsmithing Jeff's resolution

JEFF DENSE

GPA information

Percentage team members on Dean's list

Academic warning

Benchmarks

last term lowest GPA on record – number of teams meeting 3.0 benchmarks

JEFF's RESOLUTION

#6 – Registrar – Admin Fac position – required to follow – senate doesn't have purview – there is a policy and procedure in place to find a new registrar – up to President and Provost

Policy is in place – we need to address the implementation – programs have the expertise – if the issue is timeliness then that needs to be address – not the overall procedure and policy

Moved and seconded to give the sense of the senate resolution that gen ed exceptions will be approved by relevant disciplines affected (#2)

Passes with two abstentions

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

Approved wording: A student may drop from a course for any reason with no record on the student's transcript before the end of the 4th week of the term.

A student may withdraw from the 5th week of the term through the 7th week with grade of 'W' indicated on the transcript.

No withdrawals will be issued after the 7th week of the term. Instructors will issue a letter grade (A-F, or I) for all students enrolled after the 7th week. A student making adequate academic progress during the term and needing to withdraw after the 7th week may request an incomplete from the instructor.

Adjourned