EPAG Minutes
Monday, April 6, 2009
3:30-5:00
Campus Center 214

Kendrick Brown, Pete Ferderer (chair), Terry Krier, Carleton Macy, David Martyn, Andrew Meeker, Ann Minnick, Jayne Niemi, Tom Varberg

1. The minutes of March 23, 2009 were approved.
2. We discussed a student’s request for an exception to the timing of the Writing requirement. She is a current sophomore who will be on study away for her full junior year. It was approved for her to take a W course in the fall semester of her senior year. We then discussed a US Multiculturalism course that was offered in Fall 2008 by the same professor who had taught it when it was certified in an earlier semester. The instructor did not submit it for its next offering, and now the chair has requested it be approved. It was agreed that for all students in that section, the course would be recertified. Jayne will notify all parties.
3. Pete affirmed that we have many items on the faculty meeting agenda.
4. Andrew stepped out for a brief moment while we finished up the allocations memo.
5. Final review and discussion of General Education Assessment questions for the IDEA form. Can others who don’t use the IDEA form still use the additional questions? How would those results get folded into the results that come from the IDEA survey? Could we provide the IDEA form to all instructors so that they can have their students answer just the Gen Ed Assessment? We’re not sure how many will participate. Can this pilot proceed for spring or not? Yes, go ahead and do it, and then reinforce that this is a pilot, and we’re assessing whether or not we are getting useful data.
6. Handbook language: We reviewed David’s revisions to the section that deals with the allocations process. Pete proposed his revision to section B, including the addition of standard deviation data to the data already provided. Another kind of potential imbalance could be in the shape of the curriculum. Could that be added in some way? After some very interesting discussion, more editing was done to achieve a better version – David will redo.
7. We took a quick look at Terry’s grade appeals document.
8. What we’re bringing for action: Tom’s document, David’s Eric’s, and potentially Terry’s. Kendrick’s document removed some stuff from EPAG’s plate. He will edit again. Look forward to more email!

Adjourned at 5:02.

Respectfully submitted,
Jayne Niemi, Registrar