

EPAG Minutes

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

Noon-1:30 Campus Center 214

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1. The minutes from the April 11th were approved, with corrections of typos and spacing.
2. Chris reported on the reply from the Psychology department regarding follow-up questions on their allocation request.
3. Kathy alerted us to be prepared for emergency allocations requests from the Asian Languages and Cultures Department due to the resignations of two pre-tenured faculty.
4. Future Action toward the Q report: Patrick had crafted some language for a call to a Q roundtable. In this documents, he tried to focus on the purpose of the requirement, and then the language of the approval. We noted that EPAG must take care to ensure participation across the college since this is a college-wide requirement, even though there is enthusiasm among Q "cheerleaders" to start doing things now. We wrestled with the benefits of a summer start instead of waiting until fall, and vice versa. We decided to put out the call for participation to include Kendrick Brown, an EPAG representative as chair, plus 8 people from the faculty with stipend. The deadline will be May 15th. Patrick will send it to the faculty list.
5. James reported on his representation on GERC, including the Q report and the USM work thus far.
6. Further Discussion of the W GER report: We talked about the newest draft of the EPAG motion. Patrick shared some information and enrollment numbers regarding capping W courses at 20. We agree that the cap should begin with the 2013-2014 academic year. Are we ready to go for the May faculty meeting? Yes. Should this be considered as one motion? Yes.
7. We reviewed the proposed catalog text for the 3-2 Engineering language, deciding to include the sentence about transfer students. Jayne will make the changes.
8. Next week is last meeting of year. There will be a course change memo and PSYC department review as well as emergency allocations requests.

Adjourned at 12:47.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Niemi

Registrar