

EPAG Minutes

March 27, 2014

Campus Center 214, 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Present: June Ban, Terry Boychuk, Kendrick Brown, Merita Mushi, Ernesto Capello, Terri Fishel, Susan Fox, Geoffrey Gorham, Ann Minnick, Kathy Murray, Jaine Strauss, Joelle Vitiello (Chair), Harry Waters, Jr.

- 1) Approval of Minutes of March 13 meeting - minutes approved.
- 2) Discussion/Approval of Jayne's memo about curriculum changes - draft memo dated April 3 approved.
- 3) Discussion of motion about class schedule - A motion was presented to authorize the Registrar to schedule classes on MW 9:10-10:40 and MW 2:20-3:50 for 2014-15 academic year. After emailing Jayne in France, we confirmed that this was a pilot experiment that she did not want to continue. It is possible that in the future EPAG may review and study the issue of alternative class times.
- 3) Discussion of Writing/FYC requirements proposal - Joelle had copies of questions and comments that were shared. We reviewed suggestions for alternative language in the motion. Discussed the FY courses that will opt out of teaching writing as part of their course and impact on students and how many students might be affected by needing to take another class in their first semester that focused on writing. Discussed the issue of Fine Arts credit for W(C) course and clarified wording for W(P) section. P classes don't have a 20 student limit and could have more than 20 students. It was also suggested that one of the learning objectives for W(P) courses must be improvement in writing. Ann will be attending the MCSG meeting next week that will be discussing the writing requirement motion. Joelle will prepare a Google doc with the final language for the motion. As this motion needs to be submitted to Tonnis and shared with faculty a week before the Faculty meeting on April 8th, Joelle asked committee members to please review the language and respond to Joelle this weekend. Joelle will also prepare a simple document that provides an overview of dates when discussions, conversations, and forums took place that allowed faculty to have opportunities to discuss this motion.
- 4) Reminder that Andrew Latham representing GERC will be presenting on the International requirement and proposed changes at noon on Friday, March 28th in the library.

Meeting adjourned 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Terri Fishel, Library Director