

EPAG Minutes

December 10, 2015

3:00 – 4:30

Campus Center 214

Present: Kendrick Brown, Darcy Burgund, Ernie Capello (Chair), Caroline Duncombe, Susan Fox, Terri Fishel, Cynthia Kauffeld, Mark Mazullo, Ann Minnick, Karine Moe, Cory Stern, Geoffrey Gorham.

1. Approval of Minutes for December 3, 2015 - approved.
2. Chair Communications
 - a. Passage of the amended policy on exams - we discussed the amendment change and student response. The question was raised about developing best practices as the issue goes beyond just exams and the concerns are about equity. It was decided that EPAG reps will organize a meeting with members of their division to take place before the end of March. Ernie will announce this at the February Faculty Meeting. In addition, students will present a formal statement early next semester.
 - b. Postponement of Internationalism requirement and report back on meeting with Erik Larson and Andrew Latham. Ernie shared that Erik had an amendment he wishes to introduce at the February meeting and Ernie will try and obtain before our first meeting on January 21st. This was later amended to include a call for further suggestions from the entire faculty.
1. Math Major Revisions - were approved for both majors..
2. Study Days Question - there are three study days this year when EPAG only approved two. Sunday doesn't count.
3. American Studies Review - We reviewed the response and questions that were raised by EPAG members. As one issue was not addressed, Ernie will compose a message to ask them about the unaddressed issue and to advise them that the steering committee composition does not include a scientist.
4. Spring Semester Plans -
 - a. Internationalism
 - b. Out of Class Time Required Activities
 - c. Concentrations - need to review Cognitive Science
 - d. Curricular Development Plan - this is a priority and we reviewed what needs to be done to solicit proposals, prepare plan and collect feedback. It was mentioned that we need to collect input in the spring, prepare for the fall and complete in time for allocations next year and include a focus on the strategic plan. Ernie will work with Kendrick and Karine to get the early call completed.
 - e. Distribution requirements task force
 - f. Shared governance - discussion with SPIG or take on; preliminary discussion will be held on the January 12th JPAW session.
 - g. Non tenure track faculty

- h. STEM and Liberal Arts
- i. SARC and study abroad
- j. Report on 2nd language proficiency
- k. and others...

At this point we adjourned as EPAG to reconvene as Allocations and Ernie and two student representatives left and Geoff served as chair..

Adjourned at 4:20

Respectfully submitted by Terri Fishel, Library Director