

EPAG Minutes

Thursday, January 21, 2016

Campus Center 214

Attending: Andrew Beveridge, Darcy Burgund, Ernie Capello (Chair), Carolyn Duncombe, Terri Fishel, Susan Fox, Geoff Gorham, Cynthia Kauffeld, Mark Mazullo, Karine Moe, Jayne Niemi, Cory Stern

1. Approval of the Minutes: The minutes of the December 10, 2015 meeting were approved.
2. Chair Communications: The Board of Trustees is here next week. We reviewed the list of EPAG representatives to various meetings.
3. Winter Break Updates: SARC met to review and act on applications for study away. There was a JPAW (January Professional Activities Workshop) on shared governance. Those who attended reported on what was discussed in that session. Is there a next step? Perhaps one of the members of the Strategic Planning Implementation Group could come and chat with EPAG.
4. Internationalism GE Requirement: The Moodle forum is open and had at least one commentary. We reviewed info from Erik Larson, who was on GERC the first time Internationalism was assessed and proposed for change. Geoff shared a brief history. We reviewed and discussed the topic.
5. Cognitive Science Concentration Proposal: After a brief preliminary discussion, Burgund and Fox recused themselves. The next question considered was whether the Cognitive Science proposal should be reviewed at all before the Neuroscience Studies review process is completed. There are concerns about timing, the long wait already experienced by folks proposing the concentration, curricular "clutter", faculty resources. We discussed the benefits and downsides of postponing. We ended up in agreement that we should proceed with consideration of the Cognitive Science Proposal. It will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
6. Spring Semester plans as outlined in last semester's minutes will be followed.

Adjourned at 4:31

Respectfully Submitted

Jayne Niemi, Registrar