

EPAG Minutes

February 14, 2019

CC 215 - 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Present: Ron Barrett, Eric Carter, Devavani Chatterjea, Erik Davis, Terri Fishel, Dan Hornbach (chair), Mark Mazullo, Ann Minnick, Karine Moe, Kofi Ofosu, Paul Overvoorde

1. Approval of the Minutes of February 7, 2019 - approved
2. Liberal Arts/FYC discussion at the February Faculty meeting - discussed the Faculty meeting on Feb. 12 and reviewed documents that included information from the lunch tables. A code sheet with categories/themes from the student survey was shared and may be of use to compare to faculty responses. Generally, there was some enthusiasm for the discussion and several participants mentioned how it was nice to sit with new faces to get to know others. We discussed team teaching, concern about pressure on new faculty, as well as the connections some departments have to graduate school programs. The issue of advising come up and how to convince students to take a wider range of courses. Two people will each work on one of the three questions. They will provide a summary and then we will discuss next steps.
3. Response to Russian Studies Review – Reviewed draft response to external review. There will be a Russian post-doc in history next year and Julia Chadaga will be working with the post-doc. This is due to 4 of the history tenure-track faculty being gone for one year. The draft response was approved and Dan will send out next week.
4. Response to International Development Concentration Review - reviewed draft response and had brief discussion about overlap with Int'l Development, African Studies and Food and Agriculture Studies. Most see these concentrations as providing roadmaps for those interested. Folks should review Dan's draft and let him know before Monday if you see a need for any changes.
5. Critical Theory will be discussed next week.
6. We then moved into allocations work.

Adjourned at 4:30

Respectfully submitted by Terri Fishel, Library Director