EPAG Minutes

Thursday
April 27, 2017

Present: Ron Barrett, Andrew Beveridge, Darcy Burgund, Julia Chadaga, Saakshi Daswani, Remy Eisendrath, Terri Fishel, James Heyman, Cynthia Kauffeld, Ann Minnick, Jayne Niemi, Paul Overvoorde

2. Chair Communication: Remy will provide us with the letter from the students, but he and Saakshi gave us a verbal summary. The letter will also be sent to students.
3. Registrar Communication: The course change memo was approved, as amended (correction to PHIL/NEUR title, and BIOL/NSCI request removed until further discussion by NSCI).
4. We were treated to Collaboration Cupcakes in celebration of the last EPAG meeting. Thank you Mark and Andrew!
5. Gifts and kudos were bestowed upon the chair -- Yay Darcy!
6. Student Athlete Notification Policy: Ann reviewed the latest wording of the survey. She will take it to the Survey Coordination group and hopes to send about a month into the fall semester.
7. Food, Agriculture, and Society Concentration: We reviewed the addendum and discussed the remaining concerns. Darcy will send a letter of approval (cc to EPAG) for recommendation to the faculty, as soon as the program is ready. This could be as early as the May faculty meeting.
8. GERC report on pass/fail: Julia summarized the report, those at the Talking about Teaching session reported on that, and we discussed our reactions to both. We talked about the concerns of the Language & Cultures departments that brought this discussion to the fore. More discussion will ensue, certainly.
9. Nancy Bostrom joined us as we began to think about the FAIR and getting feedback from the students to inform that event. She and Paul reminded us of Assessment Day opportunities to help inform the development of the FAIR. What questions can we ask the newly arrived students in the fall? It’s also a great opportunity to give information to students. Resources are being developed by the library staff, and all are welcome to contribute ideas.

Adjourned 4:31.
Submitted by Jayne Niemi, Registrar