

Meeting Minutes from March 29, 2018

Curriculum Committee

Voting Members: Rebecca Beal, Becky Brown, Paul Cheney, Maria Coulson, Luna Finlayson, Karen Koenig, Bob McCoy, Sara McKinnon, Lisa Morse, A Joe Ritchie, Karen Robinson, Nancy Willet

Nonvoting Members: Sheldon Carroll, Cari Torres-Benavides

Guests: None

Chair: A Joe Ritchie

Agenda for March 29, 2018

- Motioned to approve: Maria Coulson
- Second the motion: Rebecca Beal
- Approval status: Members in attendance voted to approve the Agenda

Minutes from March 15, 2018

- Motioned to approve: Rebecca Beal
- Second the motion: Becky Brown
- Approval status: Members in attendance voted to approve the minutes with edits.
- Members voting no: None
- Members abstaining: Lisa Morse, Nancy Wilett

Reports:

Academic Senate Report (Karen Robinson)

1. ASCCC spring Plenary meeting in San Mateo.
2. Separated Probation and Dismissal
3. Passed AP 4231 Grade Changes
4. College Council will steer the new KTD planning
5. Food Pantry funding discussed. Look for an invitation to contribute
6. Discussion regarding UPM "Emergency Hires vs Expedited Hires"

UDWC Update (Cari Torres)

- Did not meet. Everything signed off.

GE Committee Update

- Area H has been expanded to include Health courses HED130 and HED 140

eLumen Update (Cari Torres)

- Dong has one more meeting. Courses may then be activated and a training schedule can be created

Curriculum Chair Update (A Joe Ritchie)

- Distributed a copy of the flowchart: Process Chart for submitting new course or course revision
 - Discussion and feedback led to a recommendation to add a first page to the existing chart to clarify the new course proposal process before proceeding to the current flowchart will now become page 2 of the process

Discussion of Modern Language presentation from 03.15.2018

The committee raised concerns and reservations regarding the proposal. CC member remarks are summarized below:

- The primary issue at this juncture is the question about whether a 4 unit course should be offered as a 6 unit option
 - The pedagogical strategy for this in terms of serving students
 - Is this proposal an Academic (transfer) or Cultural (personal enrichment) thing?
 - How does this help students transfer?
 - Can Auditing contribute to personal enrichment?
 - Confusion about rules about taking one or two of the classes and how the units apply. The units will have less value to the student from a Counseling point of view.
 - Guided Pathways initiative is pushing for a more efficient path for student completion. Increasing units here would be moving away from this.
 - Can the courses be modified in a way to remain at 4 units?
 - Last year an ART course was "stretched" to a full year but kept the units consistent

- DE concerns were left to the DE committee to resolve

The CC will continue this discussion at our next meeting on 04.05.2018.

Interesting Facts

- A number of our colleagues on campus are newly tenured including CC members Paul Cheney, Luna Finlayson, and Bob McCoy!
- *Romeo and Juliet* are coming to COM in May.
- Rebecca Beal shared an article relating to stink bugs.

Technical Review:

For the most recent information on the status of courses being reviewed, please refer to the Course Approval Schedule on the Curriculum Committee website or the attachment from the regular distribution of curriculum materials by the Chair.