Curriculum Committee

Voting Members: Maula Allen, Rebecca Beal, Becky Brown, Maria Coulson, Gina Cullen, Luna Finlayson, Dave King, Karen Koenig, Bob McCoy, Sara McKinnon, Lisa Morse, Joanna Pinckney, A Joe Ritchie, Nancy Willet

Nonvoting Members: Becky Reetz, Cari Torres-Benavides

Guests: John Petrovsky

Chair: A Joe Ritchie

Agenda for April 12, 2018

Motioned to approve: Becky Brown

• Second the motion: Lisa Morse

 Approval status: Members in attendance voted to approve the Agenda with a change to allow John Petrovsky 5 minutes to address the CC

Minutes from April 5, 2018

• Motioned to approve: Lisa Morse

Second the motion: Sara McKinnon

- Approval status: Members in attendance voted to approve the minutes with an edit.
- Members voting no: None
- Members abstaining: Becky Brown, Maria Coulson, Karen Koenig

Reports:

World Languages and Cultures Presentation

1. John Petrovsky from World Languages and Cultures described the discrepancy between SPAN 101 and 102 offerings. He advocated for the 101A/B model as an innovative experiment. The committee asked about language lab learning, which has moved to online assignments and practice.

Academic Senate Report (Becky Brown)

- 1. Patricia Seery led the meeting because Karen Robinson and Meg Pasquel were attending a conference.
- 2. Consented to 2018 Academic Senate election ballot and keychains for retirees.
- 3. Discussed SAS security protocols for exams and camera use as well as the role of 10+1 in operational processes at COM.

UDWC Report (Tom Hudgens)

1. Did not meet.

GE Committee Report (Dave King)

- 1. Will present proposed language change to Area H: Physical Activity.
- 2. Will meet next week from 3:30pm to 4:00pm.

eLumen Report (Tom Hudgens)

- 1. Dong Nguyen and Cari Torres are working with eLumen. The new system is almost ready for OIM to enable editing of courses and set up dates for training sessions.
- 2. Friday, May 4th or Friday, May 11th were proposed for eLumen training sessions. The committee tentatively planned a 10am-1pm session on May 4th.

CC Chair Report (A Joe Ritchie)

- 1. Distributed a revised version of the curriculum process flow chart for feedback.
- 2. The goal is to send out the new course and program procedures along with a flow chart by the end of the semester.
- 3. A Joe informed the committee that he is tentatively planning to retire at the end of Spring 19. There is a unit available for the incoming CC chair to "shadow" A Joe next year. A Joe distributed the procedures and opened up nominations for the next curriculum chair, beginning July 1st 2019.
- 4. A Joe informed the committee of the Curriculum Institute in July. Cari Torres and Gina Cullen have already volunteered to go.

Discussion and response to Derek Wilson's Questions

1. A Joe distributed an initial response to Derek Wilson's email from 3/29 and requested feedback from committee members. The committee will continue the discussion next week.

Wrap Up Discussion of World Languages and Cultures Presentation

The committee discussed the concerns of the unit increases with offering 101A to 101B for six units total. Other concerns include the relative amount of students this would benefit, financial aid considerations, discrepancies in reported success rates, and the possibility for workable alternatives to keep units consistent. The committee also had questions about whether the rationale was to slow the pace versus to increase contact hours versus to increase lecture content.

2. The committee discussed the option developing 101B only for students who come to COM with some Spanish skills but not enough to succeed in 102.

Interesting Fact

- 1. Tom Hudgens presented that Central New Mexico Community College leads the nation in issuing degrees and certificates to Native American and Hispanic students.
- 2. Joanna Pinckney informed the committee that the COM Symphony Orchestra will be performing on April 28th.

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.