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A meeting of the Educational Policies Committee was held on 4 February 2010 at 3 p.m. in Old Main 136 (Champ Hall Conference Room).

Present: Larry Smith, Chair
David Hole, Academic Standards Subcommittee Chair and Agriculture
Ed Reeve, Curriculum Subcommittee Chair and Engineering
Richard Mueller, General Education Subcommittee Chair (representing Norm Jones)
Scot Allgood, Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services
David Olsen, Business
Ed Glatfelter, HASS
Nancy Mesner, Natural Resources
Richard Mueller, Science
Robert Wagner, Regional Campuses and Distance Education (representing Ronda Menlove)
Susan Crowley, Graduate Council
Ben Croshaw, Academic Senate President
Bill Jensen, Registrar’s Office
Cathy Gerber, Registrar’s Office

Absent: Erin Davis, Libraries
Rick Kelly, Graduate Student Senate President

I. Minutes of the 14 January 2010 meeting
Richard Mueller moved to approve the minutes of the 14 January 2010 meeting. Scot Allgood seconded; motion carried.
II. Subcommittee Reports

A. Curriculum Subcommittee

Ed Reeve reviewed the Curriculum Subcommittee business.

All courses were approved with the following changes:

ADVS 2130 effective Fall 2011; COMD 5630 prerequisites: COMD 4750/6750 and 4910; the removal of COMD 4750/6750 and COMD 6640 and the addition of BIOL 4422/6422.

The request from the Department of Biological and Irrigation Engineering to change the name of the department to Biological Engineering was approved.

Richard Mueller brought up for discussion the Math Placement Exam. The Mathematics and Statistics Department has decided to limit the attempts to three per semester and the student must pass the test within the first week of the semester in order add the course for that semester. The Curriculum Subcommittee decided that these changes did not need this committee’s approval.

David Olsen moved to approve the business of the Curriculum Subcommittee. Scot Allgood seconded; motion carried.

B. Academic Standards Subcommittee

No report

C. General Education Subcommittee

GENERAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
January 19, 2010 8:30 A.M.
Champ Hall Conference Room

Present: Norm Jones, Chair; Larry Smith, Provost’s Office; Charlie Huenemann, HASS; Vince Lafferty, RCDE; Kathy Chudoba (represented by Jeff Johnson), Business; Dick Mueller, Science; Craig Petersen, American Institutions; Dan Coster, Quantitative Intensive; Roberta Herzberg, Social Sciences; Don Cooley, CIL; Christie Fox, Honors; Stephanie Hamblin, University Advising; Mary Leavitt, HASS Advising; John Mortensen, Registrar’s Office; Ryan Dupont, Life & Physical Sciences; Carolyn Cárdenas, Creative Arts; Janet Anderson, Agriculture,

Absent: Brian McCuskey, Humanities; Rhonda Miller, Communications Literacy/Intensive; Shelley Lindauer, Education; Wendy Holliday, Library; Wynn Walker, Engineering; Nancy Mesner, Natural Resources; Tyler Tolson, ASUSU President, Brock Dethier, HASS.

Norm Jones called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m
Approval of Minutes
Dick Mueller moved to approve the minutes of November 17, 2009. Motion was seconded by Carolyn Cárdenas and the motion was passed unanimously.

Course Approval
**HONR 3030 (DSS)** – Approved. Bobbi Herzberg moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Charlie Huenemann and the motion was passed unanimously.

**COMD 3100 (DSC)** – Denied. Ryan Dupont moved to deny. Motion was seconded by Dick Mueller and the motion was passed unanimously. Ryan will send his committee’s report recommending denial to the COMD department.

**APEC 5015 (CI)** – Pending
**PSC 3420 (QI)** - Pending
**HIST 4840 (DHA)** – Approved. Charlie Huenamann moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Bobbi Herzberg and the motion was passed unanimously.

**HIST 4841 (DHA)** - Approved. Charlie Huenamann moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Bobbi Herzberg and the motion was passed unanimously.

**SPCH 1020 (BHU)** - Approved. Charlie Huenamann moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Bobbi Herzberg and the motion was passed unanimously.

**SPCH 2110 (BHU)** - Approved. Charlie Huenamann moved to approve. Motion was seconded by Bobbi Herzberg and the motion was passed unanimously.

Other Business
1. Discussion was had regarding temporary Gen Ed designations in courses that change topics. It was agreed that the normal documentation should be required. The Chair of the Gen Ed Committee, in consultation with the disciplinary sub-committee chair, can make the decision regarding approval if the time is too short to bring it to the whole Gen Ed Committee.

2. The topic of accepting all accredited regional associate degrees as completing USU Gen Ed requirements was brought to the committee by John Mortensen. It is no longer clear what the Regents’ policy on this is for non-USHE degrees. Further information will be gathered regarding this issue.

3. Projected Gen Ed Course availability for 2010-2011. HASS estimates a decline in Gen Ed seats for next semester. We are awaiting seat availability projections from Science. There has been a dramatic increase in online Gen Ed RCDE courses this year. Further discussion to be had regarding the needs for next year.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, February 16, 2010 @ 8:30 a.m. in Champ Hall
Richard Mueller moved to approve the business of the General Education Subcommittee. David Olsen seconded; motion carried.

III. Other Business

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.
Larry Smith conducted the meeting.
Cathy Gerber recorded the minutes.