Educational Policies Committee Minutes, January 11, 2007

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A meeting of the Educational Policies Committee was held on 11 January 2007 at 3 p.m. in Old Main 338.

Present:  
Steve Hanks, Chair  
Richard Mueller, Curriculum Subcommittee Chair  
Scot Allgood, Academic Standards Subcommittee Chair and Education and Human Services  
Norm Jones, General Education Subcommittee Chair  
Bob Heal, Distance Education and Electronic Delivery Subcommittee Chair  
Stan Allen, Agriculture  
David Olsen, Business  
Ed Reeve, Engineering  
Nancy Mesner, Natural Resources  
Steve Harris, Libraries (representing Jennifer Duncan)  
Michelle Lundberg, ASUSU Academic Vice President  
Cathy Gerber, Registrar’s Office  
Roland Squire, Registrar’s Office

Absent:  
Ronda Menlove, Regional Campuses and Distance Education  
Noah Riley, ASUSU President  
Maure Smith, Graduate Studies VP  
Roberta Herzberg, HASS  
Richard Cutler, Science

Visitor:  
Kendra Hall, Provost’s Office

1. Minutes of the 7 December 2006 meeting  
Stan Allen moved to approve the minutes of the 7 December 2006 meeting. David Olsen seconded; motion carried.
II. Subcommittee Reports

A. Curriculum Subcommittee

Richard Mueller reviewed the Curriculum Subcommittee business. All courses were approved.

The request from the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation to add a specialization in Speech-Language Pathology to the PhD Program in Disability Disciplines was approved.

The request from the Department of Business Information Systems to change the name of majors, minor, emphasis, and specialization from “Business Information Systems” to “Management Information Systems” was approved by electronic vote.

Specific changes requested include:
- Change the BS and BA degree in Business Information Systems to Management Information Systems
- Change the MS in Business Information Systems to Management Information Systems
- Change the specialization within the Doctor of Education degree and the Doctor of Philosophy in Education from Business Information Systems to Management Information Systems
- Graduate emphasis in MS Degree from Business Information Systems to Management Information Systems
- Minor in Business Information Systems to Management Information Systems

The request to allow the Registrar’s Office some flexibility in establishing effective dates for items on the agenda, if there is no negative impact on the student was approved. The Curriculum Subcommittee can object at any time.

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

B. Academic Standards Subcommittee

No Report

C. General Education Subcommittee

GENERAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
05 December 2006, 8:30 a.m.
History Department Conference Room
Present: Norm Jones; Tyler Bowles; Christie Fox; Richard Cutler; Wendy Holliday; Ryan Dupont; Charlie Huenemann; Vince Lafferty; Mary Leavitt; Nancy Mesner; Rhonda Miller; John Mortensen; Richard Mueller; Tom Peterson; Jeff Smitten; Roland Squire; Randy Simmons
Excused: Steven Hanks; Shelley Lindauer; Rob Barton, Jagath Kaluarachchi, Noah Riley
I. Approval of Minutes of November 6, 2006
Richard Mueller motioned to approve the minutes of November 7, 2006 with the clarification that two (2) 1-credit courses is acceptable for the 2-credit minimum for DHA. Richard Cutler seconded; the motion; the motion carried unanimously.

II. Course Approvals
a. HIST 3900 – DSC Held over until January
b. PSY 3500 – CI Held over until January - still under consideration
c. CS 3410 – QI Held over until January - still under consideration
d. CS 3430 – QI Held over until January - still under consideration
e. CS 3420 – DSC Held over until January - sent back to Don Cooley to revise/resubmit
f. CS 3430 – DSC Held over until January - sent back to Don Cooley to revise/resubmit
g. CS 1060 – BPS Held over until January - sent back to Don Cooley to revise/resubmit

III. Discussion of Syllabus for USU 1320
A syllabus was submitted for approval as a USU 1320, but it was more appropriate as an English course. The committee discussed the need to maintain the integrated aspects of USU courses, as distinct from courses with departmental prefixes. Norm will ask that the proposed syllabus be revised to meet the USU integrated standard.

IV. Information Literacy Sub-committee Update – Wendy Holliday
The committee has met and will continue in the spring. They are setting English 1010/2010 goals.
Language in requirements is broad and they have determined a need to get more specific in each of the areas. They also plan on getting a librarian involved with the committee to promote this.

V. Other Business
John Mortensen stated that the next catalog will be a two-year publication. The electronic edition will always remain current.
Wade Oliver – University has left. John is updating their website, so if any other changes are noted, please contact him.
The next General Education committee meeting will be on January 9, 2007, 8:30 a.m. in Champ Hall.
Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Scot Allgood moved to approve the business of the General Education Subcommittee. Ed Reeve seconded; motion carried.

D. Distance Education and Electronic Delivery Subcommittee
No Report
III. Other Items of Business

Steve Harris will be replacing Jennifer Duncan representing the Libraries.

The General Studies Degree was passed by the Faculty Senate and Board of Trustees.

The Business Education discontinuance has gone to the Council of Teacher Education and Secondary Education would like to review it. It was tabled until next month.

Please submit any information or feedback on syllabi to Scot Allgood by February 13, 2007.

The item concerning the members, terms, and codes for committees: Educational Policies Committee, Curriculum Subcommittee, Academic Standards Subcommittee, General Education Subcommittee, and Distance Education and Electronic Delivery Subcommittee was postponed until the February 1, 2007 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
Steve Hanks conducted the meeting.
Cathy Gerber recorded the minutes.