

Nov. 6 2014 General Education Committee minutes

Present: Evelyn Norris, Das Janssen, Shaila Christofferson, Tiffany Davis, Liz Osika, Rosalind Fielder, Phil Cronce, Mark Sudeith, Asmamaw Yimer, Sarah Buck, Steve Rowe, Khalid Alsamara, Roosevelt Martin, Devi Potluri, Amber Wise

Quorum reached at 12:38, called to order by Chair S. Rowe

1. Reviewed & Approve October Meeting Minutes
 - a. motion by P. Cronce to approve minutes, 2nd by S. Christofferson, unanimous approval
2. MMIS program change proposal (submitted by Business Department for our approval)
 - a. There was some discrepancy in the credit hours adding up and concerns about fulfilling requirements. The program change form seemed unnecessarily confusing.
 - b. Faculty representatives present: K. Alsamara and R. Martin
 - c. Discussion of proposal:
 - i. Concerns from the committee included: discrepancies in the social science, and humanities requirements and if the gen ed classes pertained to the entire college or just the MMIS program.
 - ii. Revisions will be made and re-submitted to S. Rowe for further committee review.
3. Course Review
 - a. Diversity courses—conversation and refresher regarding “what is diversity” at CSU. The extra form in the course application was developed to ensure some of the aspects were being specifically addressed.
 - i. Check on numbering: Survey of Global Cinema: listed in catalog 2170, we have it in our paperwork as 2071.
 - ii. ENG 2940 – no diversity form included in application
 - iii. ENG 2210 – application seemed rushed, wanted more discussion on this course later.
 - iv. Motion made by P. Cronce to accept all 23 courses on the list except ENG 2210 and ENG 2940 (no diversity form is included), 2nd by A. Wise . 9 ayes, 1 abstention, motion passes.
 - b. Critical Thinking – ECON 1000, 1010, and 1020 were left off our paper documents to be reviewed, but materials were on Moodle, so were considered in our discussion.
 - i. Concerns regarding the applications for ECON 1010 and 1020: it seemed they didn't fully address the critical thinking aspects and the committee wants to seek more feedback from the applicant regarding assessment and course material.
 - ii. Motion made to approve all courses on list except ECON 1010, 1020 and PHYS 2110 (requires a prerequisite and calculus). 2nd by L. Osika – unanimous approval
4. Plan for next meeting(s) to complete course review: S. Rowe will update documents and lists for committee's review before the next meeting. Plan is to move forward with discussing “bucket” list and get the updates on courses where more information has been supplied since initial review.

Meeting adjourned 1:53pm.

Next meeting, Dec. 4, 2014