Minutes
University Senate Academic Policies Committee

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1. The minutes of the February 21, 2012 meeting were approved as distributed.
2. Christos Theo, Chair of the Arts and Design department shared information with APC and answered questions about their 2010-11 program review.
   - Significant curricular changes have been made, in part due to the PEEQ process.
   - Two specific new ideas to come out of the review were:
     - Examining the effectiveness of the current BFA degree and entrance review requirements. This includes discussions regarding the viability of reinstituting a 60-credit BA degree, e.g., requiring students to apply for the BFA degree after completing a BA with a major in A & D.
     - Exploring ways to collaborate with other departments (Communication & Journalism and Computer Science) related to the Graphic Design area (i.e., perhaps resulting in a new program in Multimedia).
   - Seat availability in A & D courses for non-majors continues to be explored.
   - The department realizes the importance of developing an assessment mechanism for post-graduation data.
   - The review process was positive, especially the student survey created and disseminated by the Internal Review team.
   - The department of A & D was congratulated for their dedication to students and their creation of assessment rubrics.
3. The committee discussed the first component within the “Intellectual Foundations” category of the ULEC-proposed liberal education reform framework, Mathematics Competency. All agreed that it was important to include Mathematics in LE.
   Moved by B. Nowlan, seconded by L. Bica that the wording in the document “Annotated LE Framework Proposal Aligned to Outcomes (v. 1.0)” for the first Intellectual Foundation be “Mathematics and/or Statistics Competency; Competency Examination or one course.” Motion carried 9-0.
4. The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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