Minutes  
University Senate Academic Policies Committee  
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Guests: M. Cassidy, J. Fager, P. Ihinger, B. Knight, J. Loomis, M. Lynn, C. Manning, B. Miller, J. Pruschiek, E. Weir, M. Wick,

1. Chair Pratt called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

2. The minutes of the April 24, 2012 meeting were approved as distributed.

3. Discussion on the “Liberal Education Breadth Requirements: Arts and Humanities” continued from the previous meeting. It was reiterated that this aspect of the ULEC proposal was to insure both breadth and depth. Concerns were raised that the current proposal is too narrow and shallow. The committee discussed raising the credit requirement from 6 to 9 credits as this could help expand a student’s experience. Counter concerns about this change becoming more complicated and prescriptive, thus looking very similar to the “subcategories” in the current GE requirements, were presented.

   - Motion was moved and seconded to change Section B number 5 in the LE Framework Proposal to “Arts and Humanities (9 credits outside the student’s major.)”
   
   **Motion failed. 0 For, 8 Against.**

4. Meeting went into closed session to discuss Internal Review Committee members for the 2012-2013 Program reviews. APC confirmed the slate of candidates provided by Assistant Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs Michael Wick.

5. APC discussed the draft letter for the Provost concerning the Department of Environmental Public Health Review. APC expressed concerns about the size, workload, and allocation of resources of ENPH. It was concluded that the current department is untenable and that the Department either needs more FTE or a change in direction. The suggestion was made to add wording to the letter that stated that ENPH cannot be a single Program in a single Department. It was also discussed that a deadline of Fall 2012 be kept for a Departmental “change in form or direction.” Chair Pratt will amend the letter and forward it back to APC for further review.
6. Motion was made and seconded to accept the “Recommendation that any proposal for reorganizing any college follow established policy and pass first through the Academic Policy Committee and then through the University Senate for input and recommendations prior to any action taken.”
   Motion passed. 7 For, 0 Against, 1 Abstention.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Olm, secretary for the meeting