University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire  
University Senate Academic Policies Committee  
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Tuesday, November 10, 2015  
Council Oak Room, 260 Davies

Present:  
Members: Selika Duckworth-Lawton, Ned Gannon, Bob Hooper, Marie-Claire Koissi-Kouassi, Cheryl Lapp, Sean McAleer, Don Mowry, Bob Nowlan, Jean Pratt, Alison Wagener, Stephanie Wical  

Guests: Erica Benson, Michael Carney, Margaret Cassidy, Jennifer Fager, Steven Fleck, Mitch Freymiller, Deb Jansen, Paul Kaldjian, Carmen Manning, Tessa Perchinsky, Jill Prushiek, Ryan Weichelt, Michael Wick

Presiding: Chair Jean Pratt called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of the 10/27/2015 meeting minutes  
   - Motion to approve minutes of October 27, 2015, seconded, approved as distributed.

2. Club Sports to fulfill Physical Activity requirement  
   - Fleck attended the meeting to provide information and answer questions.  
   - Due to the backlog of students who need to fulfill the Physical Activity requirement, the College of Education and Human Sciences recommends that students who participate and complete a season in a university-sponsored club sport satisfy the requirement. The process will be modeled after varsity sports; Jon Bollinger will provide the team rosters to Jillian Anderson who will then manually enter the names into the club sport student group (which Registration can easily create). The degree audit for each student will then show the requirement has been met.  
   - Dance and Marching Band have also been approved to fulfill the requirement and will do so retroactively.  
     - The request for club sports asks for implementation in fall 2015 and will not be retroactive. There is not confidence that student records are accurate. An average of 375 students per year participate.  
   - No cons of the recommendation were determined.  
   - The motion was made to recommend that student participation in a university-sponsored club sport be allowed to satisfy the University Physical Activity graduation requirement. Motion was seconded. Motion passed by a vote of 9 in favor and 0 against.

3. Geospatial Analysis and Technology Comprehensive Major  
   - Kaldjian and Weichelt attended the meeting to provide information and answer questions.  
   - The Department of Geography is requesting authorization to implement a Geospatial Analysis and Technology Comprehensive Major. Both a Bachelor of Science and a Bachelor of Arts will be offered. The department currently offers two majors. The new major has become a high-interest area; students have been requesting it and it’s also something that the industry/private sector are asking for.  
   - Notice of Intent was sent to UW System and received support from all programs and universities, it’s been approved by the College Curriculum Committee, and now needs approval from APC.  
   - The Department has a Geospatial Certificate; however, it is intended for non-majors.  
   - The number of Geography majors continues to increase.  
   - Technology is already in place, but not yet integrated into other UW System campuses.  
   - No cons of the request were determined.  
   - The motion was made to recommend that a Geospatial Analysis and Technology Comprehensive Major in the Department of Geography and Anthropology be established. Motion was seconded. Motion passed by a vote of 9 in favor and 0 against.

4. Language Studies name change to Interdisciplinary Linguistics  
   - Benson attended the meeting to provide information and answer questions.  
   - English would like to change the name of their Language Studies minor to Interdisciplinary Linguistics. Changes have been made to the minor and the new name more accurately reflects what the minor encompasses. It would also bring it in alignment with current terminology.
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- No cons of the request were determined.
- The motion was made to recommend that the MINOR: LANGUAGE STUDIES, Liberal Arts (Code 570-401) within the Department of English be renamed the MINOR: INTERDISCIPLINARY LINGUISTICS, Liberal Arts (Code 570-XXX). Motion was seconded. Motion passed by a vote of 9 in favor and 0 against.

5. Liberal Education Implementation Motion
- Shared governance worked: over half of those who responded indicated there might be a better way to hold students harmless and to proceed with the framework as approved. In addition to sending in a vote, some departments also stated intents to submit proposals to ULEC. After receiving feedback from across campus, the logical response is to move forward with the approved Framework as planned, with a fall 2016 implementation.
- Chair Pratt will send the outcome via email to Registration, deans, chairs, and others with an interest.
- Dashboard still shows shortages, but there has been significant movement. S3 is now over 3,000; R3 continues to increase (High-enrollment POLS 110 was just approved by ULEC; POLS hopes to submit additional high-enrollment courses). Current and future projections for K4 are still short around 2,000 (Fall 2015-Spring 2016 have also been taken into consideration).
- Some members of Art preferred to see an either/or instead of suspension for K4 – could combine with S3. Wondering if this is an option.
  - Not recommended that Framework be returned to Senate for changes to K4/S3.
  - Of the approved K4 courses, 11-12 were submitted by Art. There is opportunity for other departments to participate. Art feels like they’ve done their share.
    - A handful of ENGL courses have been approved. The department will realign resources to offer the number of seats needed.
- Will there be any incentives to submit applications? Considering a new course surrounding the history of black musicians during the Civil Rights movement, but feel the application process is too elaborate.
  - CETL is offers workshops during the summer to help create and submit applications.
- Feel this motion should still go to Senate as a topic of discussion. The more people that understand the issues, the more likely applications will continue to be submitted. We provided the consensus and there’s now a responsibility for campus to bring forth the necessary courses.
  - Could offer it as a roundtable discussion; not just the changes, but how the framework will be launched. We need to determine how to we make it clear to students and the larger campus community that this is significant change. A more comprehensive discussion of liberal education should occur.
  - Senate next meets Thanksgiving Week and then again the week prior to finals. It was agreed that the discussion can wait until the start of spring semester.
- Chair Pratt will make an announcement at the next University Senate Meeting stating that the majority of faculty and instructional academic staff indicated there might be a better way to hold students harmless as we transition to LE; we were able to attain an Intent to Submit of additional courses to fill gaps; and a roundtable on the framework, implementation, and process will be held at the start of spring semester.

6. Upcoming agenda items
- A few cancellations from CIE are awaiting APC’s approval for next week. There is the possibility of an additional item; if it doesn’t transpire, next week’s meeting will be canceled.

Chair Jean Pratt adjourned the meeting at 2:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Forcier
Secretary for the Meeting