

Academic Council Minutes

February 10, 2017

Kristen Abernathy	Arts & Sciences
Abbigail Armstrong	Education
Bettie Parsons Barger	Education
Leslie Bickford	Arts and Sciences
Alice Burmeister	Visual & Performing Arts
Marguerite Doman	Business Administration
Chad Dresbach	Visual & Performing Arts
Ronnie Faulkner	Dacus Library
Adam Glover	Arts and Sciences
Christian Gratton	Arts and Sciences
Shawwna Helf	Education
Jo Koster	Arts and Sciences
Stephanie Lawson	Business Administration
David Meeler*	Arts and Sciences
Ron Parks	Visual & Performing Arts
Dave Pretty, Chair	Arts and Sciences
Will Thacker	Business Administration
Elizabeth West*	CSL Student Representative
Gina Jones, Secretary	Registrar

* Absent

Guests: John Bird, Tim Drueke, Robert Prickett, Andrew Vorder Bruegge

Chair Dave Pretty called the meeting to order at 2 PM.

I. Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting of November 18, 2016 (approved electronically)

II. Remarks from the Chair (Dave Pretty)

None.

III. Remarks from the Provost and Executive Vice President (Debra Boyd)

Dr. Boyd was unable to attend.

IV. Committee Reports

A. CUC (Will Thacker)

The following items were tabled by CUC (PESH did not give any assessment data justifying approval; SOCL did not provide additional work for graduate students taking the course)

PESH	134	Water Polo	Physical Education, Sport and Human Performance	Modify course: Change course number from PESH 134X to PESH 134
EXSC	511	Physical Activity for Special and Aging Populations	Physical Education, Sport and Human Performance	Modify course: Change Terms Offered, Add Methods of Evaluation; Remove prerequisites PHED 384/385 and PHED 480/481; Add prerequisites EXSC 384/385; Remove corequisites PHED 480/481
SOCL	503A	Service Learning in Sociology	Sociology and Anthropology	New course
SOCL	503B	Service Learning in Sociology	Sociology and Anthropology	New course
SOCL	507A	Service Learning in Criminology	Sociology and Anthropology	New course
SOCL	507B	Service Learning in Criminology	Sociology and Anthropology	New course

*PESH 134 has now provided justification and CUC is satisfied, and therefore approved.
SOCL courses also provided updated info and CUC is satisfied, and therefore approved.*

The following Proposals for Program Change (Degree) can be found on the Curriculum Action System: They were unanimously approved by Academic Council.

Degree	Major	Conc.	Department	Action
BA	ARTS		Fine Arts	Modify program: Change from 2 courses from ARTS 204, 205, & 206 Three-Dimensional Photo Media Studies, Two Dimensional Media Studies to 1 course; Change ARTS Electives from 12 credits to 19; Drop ARTS 501 and ARTT 401
BA	MLAN	FREN	World Languages and Cultures	Modify program: Remove Subtotals from Gen Ed, Add FREN 102 to major; Remove second foreign language; Change General Electives from 5-34 to 9-39
BA	MLAN	CSFR	World Languages and Cultures	Modify program: Remove Subtotals from Gen Ed, Add FREN 102 to major; Remove second foreign language; Change credits in Professional Education Sequence from 35 to 34; Change General Electives from 3-17 to 8-27. Additional modification provided by department: EDUC 402 replaces 403; add MLAN 393.
BA	MLAN	SPAN	World Languages and Cultures	Modify program: Remove Subtotals from Gen Ed, Add SPAN 102 to major; Remove second foreign language; Change General Electives from 11-37 to 9-39
BA	MLAN	CSSP	World Languages and Cultures	Modify program: Remove Subtotals from Gen Ed, Add SPAN 102 to major; Remove second foreign language; Change credits in Professional Education Sequence from 35 to 34; Change General Electives from 3-17 to 8-27. Additional modification provided by department: EDUC 402 replaces 403; add MLAN 393.
BFA	ARTS		Fine Arts	New degree program
BFA	ARTS	CERM	Fine Arts	Drop degree program
BFA	ARTS	GSTD	Fine Arts	Drop degree program

BFA	ARTS	JMTL	Fine Arts	Drop degree program
BFA	ARTS	PNTG	Fine Arts	Drop degree program
BFA	ARTS	PHOC	Fine Arts	Drop degree program
BFA	ARTS	PHOF	Fine Arts	Drop degree program
BFA	ARTS	PMKG	Fine Arts	Drop degree program
BFA	ARTS	SCUL	Fine Arts	Drop degree program
BS	BIOL	CSST	Biology	Modify program: Drop EDUC 400 and 403, Add EDUC 401 and 402 (Change credits of that group from 28 to 27); Add SCIE 390 (Change credits of that group from 4 to 5)

The following Proposals for Program Change (Minor) can be found on the Curriculum Action System. They were unanimously approved by Academic Council.

Minor/CERT	Title	Department	Action
Minor-BADM-INTA	Internal Audit	Accounting, Finance and Economics	New minor
Minor-AAMS	African American Studies	Interdisciplinary Studies	Modify minor: Change HIST 302 to AAMS/HIST302
Minor-ARTM	Arts Management	Visual and Performing Arts	New minor
Minor-HLTH	Health	Physical Education, Sport and Human Performance	Modify minor: Remove BIOL 305 and 306 (no longer offered); Add BIOL 150 and 151 as options.
Minor-LGST	Legal Studies	Interdisciplinary Studies	Modify minor: Add SPMA 520, and SPMA 525 as approved electives; Remove BADM 510 and PHED 525 as approved electives; Change BADM 350 to BADM 250
Minor-MTEC	Music Technology	Music	New minor

CUC would also like to have the following issues considered:

1. Can we change the 40 hours required above 299 to 39 hours (so that it is divisible by 3).
2. Can we do something with 500 level courses that are graduate only so CUC does not need to consider them.

Dr. Thacker spoke about the 500-level courses being Graduate only. Mr. Drueke explained that the issue is that 300 and 600-level courses cannot be taught together. That is why they need to be 500-level. (These are education courses.) Dr. Thacker said we are violating our conventions in order to facilitate students meeting in the same room.

CUC would like to not have to approve 500-level courses if they are grad-only. Dr. Koster made a recommendation. Dr. Pretty said this had to go through the Rules Committee. Dr. Thacker will take it to the Rules Committee.

Dr. Thacker asked if it were a SACS requirement for programs to have a certain number of coursework above 299. Mr. Drueke said he needed to research this before it went forward.

B. General Education (Kristen Abernathy)

Courses: Recertification Applications

Global:

Approved

ENGL 502

HIST 547

HIST 548

HIST 549

HIST 560

Humanities and Arts:

Approved

ARTH 452

ARTH 453

ARTH 454

ARTS 482

HIST 509

MDST 510

THRT 442

Denied

VPAS 320

Historical Perspectives:

Approved

HIST 502

HIST 505

HIST 509

HIST 515

HIST 547

HIST 548

HIST 549

HIST 550

HIST 560

HIST 561

PEAC 502

Oral Communication:

Approved

GEOG 500

MATH 400

SCWK 431

WRIT 465

WRIT 566

Natural Science:

Approved

ANTH 345

Technology:

Approved

WRIT 501

The following were unanimously approved by Academic Council:

Courses: New Certifications

Global:

Approved

FREN 360

HIST 333

HIST 335

SPAN 360

Denied

FREN 201

GERM 201

SPAN 201

Humanities and Arts:

Approved

ARTS 355

ARTS 458

Denied

FREN 395

SPAN 395

Historical:

Approved

FREN 385

HIST 333

HIST 335

SPAN 385

Quantitative:

Approved

MATH 202H

Natural Science:

Approved

GEOL 201

Dr. Abernathy reported that the General Education Committee reviewed and forwarded a policy change proposal to the Committee on University Petitions that would allow the Registrar to review student petitions concerning a lapse in course inclusion in the General Education Program. That committee is supportive of this change.

V. Remarks from Council of Student Leaders Chair (Elisabeth West)

Ms. West was unable to attend.

Dr. Pretty said she did have a question about whether faculty were aware of any software not being accessible to students. Dr. Abernathy stated she was only aware of a math program that had to be reinstalled in the computer labs.

VI. Old Business

Dr. Pretty asked Dr. Burmeister about the honor code. She said she thought it been folded into Bethany Marlowe's (Dean of Students) Academic Integrity committee. Dr. Burmeister's committee had been charged to implement the proposal of the honor code statement, but there were disagreements on how to do this and didn't feel it was an effective policy. An honor code statement is not effective all by itself. It should be a part of a larger initiative. This is why Bethany was taking over the proposal and what could be put with it.

Dr. Burmeister asked what would the chair wanted the committee to do.

There had been a proposal to create a university integrity committee. Dr. Boyd had suggested it might be part of the next QEP (Quality Enhance Program). Dr. Burmeister recalled that the council did not seem to want to create a new university committee.

Dr. Doman asked what the charge of Dean Marlowe's committee was. Dr. Burmeister responded said Dean Marlowe felt based on her experience, that she facilitate discussion across campus.

Dr. Burmeister felt this would not go forward as a QEP and Mr. Druke indicated it would be difficult to measure growth, which is important for a QEP.

Dr. John Bird indicated that he was on the committee and that Dean Marlowe was opposed to an honor code as it did not increase academic integrity. She has since opened up to the idea. He also stated that faculty conference has not endorsed it. Dr. Burmeister said it was hard to work on one thing (honor code) when others felt it should be more than that. While not a member of faculty conference, Dean Marlowe is tasked with upholding such a code.

Dr. Burmeister said she was willing to re-take-up the charge but wanted to be considerate of all parties involved. Dean Marlowe has done research at other institutions as to what works and what doesn't work.

Dr. Doman asked if we could ask Dean Marlowe to our (academic integrity committee) meeting? Dr. Pretty replied, "Yes, as long as she understands she has no vote as this is a sub-committee of Academic Council."

VII. New Business

None

VIII. Announcements

Ms. Jones announced a new feature in interim grading which would allow faculty to apply the same comment to the whole class.

Dr. Bird reminded everyone that the TLC conference is Friday, March 24.

Dr. Koster also reminded everyone that graduate education week is next week and to wear their academic regalia on Monday.

IX. Adjournment

Dr. Pretty adjourned the group at 2:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gina Jones, Secretary