

ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

DATE: November 29, 2007

PRESENT:	Agnes Samples	Rakesh Sah
	Bruce Brumley	Kay Streeter
	Lorrie Steerey	Johanna Mitchell
	Keith Edgerton	Gershon Bulgatz
	Craig McKenzie	Steve Coffman
	David Garloff (ex-officio)	Tasneem Khaleel (ex-officio)
	John Cech (ex-officio)	Karen Heikel (ex-officio)

ABSENT:	Jeff Sanders*	Sandie Rietz*
	Mark Hardt*	Alicia Esteves (student)*
	James Ellis (student)*	
	Gary Young (ex-officio)	Mary Susan Fishbaugh (ex-officio)*
	George White (ex-officio)*	Terrie Iverson (ex-officio)
	Stacy Klippenstein (ex-officio)	
	* <i>excused</i>	

GUESTS:	Gary Amundson	Paul Gerber
	Sheila McGinnis	David McGinnis
	Valerie Martinez	

PRESIDING: Lorrie Steerey, Chair

Lorrie Steerey called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in room B57 of the College of Technology.

The minutes of November 8 were accepted as presented.

I. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/APPROVAL

Item 67 BS Major in Outdoor Adventure Leadership. New program. *With additional information*

Item 67.a HHP 131 Cross Country Skiing. New course.

Item 67.b HHP 134 Beginning Snowboarding. New course.

Item 67.c HHP 181 Basic Navigation/Orienteering. New course.

Item 67.d HHP 182 Advanced Navigation. New course.

Item 67.e HHP 185 Winter Survival Skills. New course.

Item 67.f HHP 200 Foundations of Outdoor Adventure Leadership. New course.

Item 67.g HHP 230 Wilderness First Responder. New course.

Item 67.h HHP 280 Challenge Course Fundamentals. New course.

Item 67.i HHP 380 Adventure Counseling and Leadership. New course.

Item 67.j HHP 465 Ethical/Legal Aspects in Outdoor Adventure Leadership. New course.

Item 67.k HHP 480 Advanced Challenge Skills and Facilitation. New course.

These items will be postponed to next week because Mr. Jay Shaw, Department Chairperson, could not attend today's meeting.

II. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Item 10 M.Ed. Educational Technology Option. Modification of an existing program.

⇒ Motion by Bruce Brumley, seconded by Kay Streeter to **approve Item 10 on first reading.**

It was noted that this program is being changed to utilize the courses in the new Certificate of Teaching & Learning Online.

It was noted that some problems have arisen with 6 credit thesis courses. In the past we have been able to split the 6 credits across two semesters for students who chose to do so. Now Banner will not allow the course to be split because it does not have variable credits. It's also not a good idea to make the course variable credits because the students must take 6 credits of thesis. It was suggested that the course could be changed to 3 credits that must be repeated once.

⇒ Motion carried.

⇒ Motion by Kay Streeter, seconded by Keith Edgerton to **waive second reading of Item 10.**

⇒ Motion carried.

Item 11 EDCI 551 Instructional Strategies in Language Arts and Social Studies. Change prerequisites.

Item 11.a EDCI 552 Instructional Strategies in Mathematics and Science. Change prerequisites.

Item 11.b EDCI 553 Instructional Strategies in Movement, the Performing and Visual Arts. Change prerequisites.

⇒ Motion by Bruce Brumley, seconded by Keith Edgerton to **approve Items 11, 11.a, and 11.b on first reading.**

Johanna Mitchell stated that they are simply removing the prerequisite that students must be admitted to the Teacher Education program before taking these courses so returning teachers can take the courses without being admitted to a graduate program.

⇒ Motion carried.

⇒ Motion by Bruce Brumley, seconded by Agnes Samples to **waive second reading of Items 11, 11.a, and 11.b.**

⇒ Motion carried.

Item 12 Master of Science in Special Education Generalist Option. Modification of an existing program.

Item 12.a Master of Science in Special Education Advanced Studies Option. Modification of an existing program.

⇒ Motion by Kay Streeter, seconded by Bruce Brumley to **approve Items 12 and 12.a on first reading.**

Kay Streeter stated that they are reducing the total credits for these two programs to align with their other masters programs to make them more marketable and to meet the needs of students. The programs still meet OPI standards.

⇒ Motion carried with 1 abstention

⇒ Motion by Keith Edgerton, seconded by Bruce Brumley to **waive second reading of Items 12 and 12.a.**

⇒ Motion carried.

Item 18 Master of Health Administration. Modification of an existing program.

Item 18.a HADM 607 Health Informatics. Change title to Health Information Management and change course description.

Item 18.b HADM 610 Health Care Systems. Change title to Health Care Systems and Policy, change credits from 2 to 3, and change course description.

Item 18.c HADM 625 Health Care Financial Management. Change title to Healthcare Finance and Reimbursement, change credits from 2 to 3, and change course description.

Item 18.d HADM 640 Epidemiology and Disease Control. Change title to Managerial Epidemiology, change credits from 2 to 3, and change course description.

Item 18.e HADM 697 Capstone. Change prerequisite.

Item 18.f HADM 627 Healthcare Reimbursement. Delete course.

Item 18.g HADM 630 US Health Policy and Politics. Delete course.

Item 18.h HADM 655 Health Policy and Regulation. Delete course.

Item 18.i HADM 671 Integrated Delivery Systems. Delete course.

Item 18.j HADM 689 Health Care Strategy. Delete course.

Item 18.k HADM 596 Cooperative Education/Internship. Change course number to 696, title to Cooperative Education/Internship in Health Administration, credits from V1-9 to 3, change prerequisites, and change course description.

Item 18.L HADM 607 Health Informatics. Change title to Health Information Management and change course description.

Item 18.m HADM 685 Research and Evaluation Methods. Change prerequisite.

⇒ Motion by Keith Edgerton, seconded by Kay Streeter to **approve Items 18, 18.a, 18.b, 18.c, 18.d, 18.e, 18.f, 18.g, 18.h, 18.i, 18.j, 18.k, 18.L, and 18.m on first reading.**

Sheila McGinnis, Director of the Health Administration Program, noted that two years ago they did a major overhaul of the program to meet accreditation standards and also to develop a compressed delivery. Since then the accrediting body has introduced some new standards and the Registrar's Office has had some issues with the compressed schedule. The compressed schedule had been changed and there is now more integration in the courses. They also rearranged the sequence of courses and content, and as a result they are changing the credits of some courses. The entire program has been reviewed with the College of Business.

It was noted that 18.L is a duplication of Item 18.a. Item 18.a was voided.

⇒ Motion to approve Items 18, 18.b, 18.c, 18.d, 18.e, 18.f, 18.g, 18.h, 18.i, 18.j, 18.k, 18.L, and 18.m (excluding 18.a) on first reading carried.

⇒ Motion by Kay Streeter, seconded by Keith Edgerton to **waive second reading of Items 18, 18.b, 18.c, 18.d, 18.e, 18.f, 18.g, 18.h, 18.i, 18.j, 18.k, 18.L, and 18.m.**

⇒ Motion carried.

III. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Item 13 FIN 205 Personal Finance. Change course number to 305, title to Financial Planning, and change prerequisite.

⇒ Motion by Keith Edgerton, seconded by Kay Streeter to **accept Item 13.**

Gary Amundson, Department of Business Academic Programs, stated that they are upgrading this course to a 300-level in order to add to the online upper division offerings for the General Business Online students. The online business program is really growing and there is a demand for these upper division courses. No additional staff will be needed, and this will be an online only course.

⇒ Motion carried.

Item 15 AS Program of Study in Fire Science. Modification of an existing program.

Item 15.a FIRE 214 Inspection Codes and Practice. Change course description.

Item 15.b FIRE 101 Fire Service Orientation. Change course description.

Item 15.c FIRE 172 Wildlands Standards for Survival. Change credits from 1 to 3 and change course description.

Item 15.d FIRE 275 Fire Service Public Safety Education and Course Development. Change title to Fire Service Instructor and change course description.

Item 15.e FIRE 151 Fire Strategy and Tactics. Delete course.

Item 15.f TRID 160 Hazardous Materials Technician General Training. Change course description.

⇒ Motion by Craig McKenzie, seconded by Bruce Brumley **to accept Items 15, 15.a, 15.b, 15.c, 15.d, 15.e, and 15.f.**

Paul Gerber, Director of the Fire Science program, noted that he has been in the program now for a year and a half, and it is in need of revision. No new faculty will be needed as a result of these changes, and there is no impact on Mr. Gerber's teaching load.

⇒ Motion carried.

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Summer 2008 Schedule: Defining Success vs. Failure

It was noted that as a result of our visit with President Gamble, the Senate agreed to allow the new schedule to run for Summer 2008. If it didn't work, the administration would be held responsible.

Karen Heikel, Dean of the College of Professional Studies and Lifelong Learning, stated that she just recently received the data from the Summer 2007 survey and she notes that the students who are not attending Summer (but do attend Fall and Spring) are in the 18- to 21-year-old range. The students who are attending Summer are mostly in the 40+ age range. She stated that for Summer 2008 she would like to review how many students register for the 3-week May session only, and how many stay for the second longer session as well as the May session. She would also like to review the number of courses offered and how many students are in each class, as well as any changes in FTE such as a stabilization of the decline we have had for approximately the last five years. Finally, focus groups with both faculty and students would be useful for gaining information such as how the students liked the short May session and if they would take a course in the 5-week session rather than the 3-week session. Faculty perceptions of how they felt teaching in a 3 week session and how well the students were engaged would also be important.

It was noted that the 40+ age group is a small but significant group that we cannot afford to lose because they will go elsewhere if we do not meet their needs. It was cited that there does not seem to be much advertising funding for our summer programs.

It was cited that planned courses which are cut at the last minute (for whatever reason) are a real problem for students because students are planning on taking that course in Summer rather than during the Fall or Spring.

It was cited that the largest group of students on campus are in the College of Education, and the Senate agreed with Provost White last week that the COE would be able to schedule courses outside of the 3-5-5 schedule. We are exempting the largest group on campus from our new schedule. Further, the online summer schedule remains the same. How can we measure changes with so many exceptions? It was noted that it will mostly be the College of Arts and Sciences getting measured. The College of Technology offers mostly Academic Foundations in the summer.

John Cech, Dean of the College of Technology, noted that when he was at Rocky Mountain College, they instituted a short session in May that proved to be highly successful.

It was stated that it was the administration's idea to change the summer calendar. They must have some idea of what FTE or other benchmarks they hope to meet through the new calendar.

It was stated that the Senate would like Dr. Heikel to bring the administration's reasons for changing the summer schedule and their expectations for FTE or any other benchmarks they may have for success of the new schedule.

Dr. Heikel stated that she resents the insinuations that she did anything "behind the backs" of the Senate. She has done nothing inappropriate and issues with the previous Senate Chair are not her fault.

B. Announcements

Dr. Steerey noted that the Chancellor has agreed to let her sit on his Budget Committee along with the Faculty Association President.

Dr. Steerey will have a holiday party for the Senate at her home January 1.

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

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