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MINUTES 2002-2003 CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING # 11

January 15, 2003, 8:00 a.m. Behmler Conference Room

Present: John Schwaller, Mike Korth, Judy Kuechle, Jenny Nellis, Jooinn Lee, Mary Elizabeth Bezanson, Tom Johnson, Van Gooch, Amanda Johnson, Ruth Thielke, Dorothy DeJager, Nancy Helsper, and Clare Strand

Absent: Chris DeVries, David Bohlander, Chris Pifer, and Danielle Stuard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Schwaller asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 4, 2002.

MOTION: (Bezanson, Nellis) To approve the minutes

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

EDP SUBCOMMITTEE

Schwaller asked for volunteers to serve on the EDP subcommittee this spring. Last year \$12,000 was allocated to faculty for new course development. In the past about 5 proposals are funded at about \$2000 each. Members on the subcommittee last year were Jenny Nellis, Chris DeVries and Jillian Evans. Schwaller opened the floor for nominations. Judy Kuechle nominated Jenny Nellis and Nellis agreed to be on the committee again. Van Gooch and Amanda Johnson volunteered to be on the subcommittee as well.

GEN ED ASSESSMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

Schwaller explained that because UMM gives degrees upon the authority of the Board of Regents and an Accrediting Agency we were reviewed by NCA and we need to show in the next two years progress in our assessment. Progress is being made in many areas necessary but one area lacking is the assessment of our general education requirements. The Assessment Committee has asked the Curriculum Committee for a subcommittee to study assessment in the general education area. There was considerable discussion among the members about what type of model should be used for the process. Schwaller explained that the task of the subcommittee is to come up with concrete goals and objectives for the general education requirements. Clare Strand offered to be on the sub-committee and suggested asking Jim Togeas to also be on the committee. Schwaller explained that he would like the subcommittee to have a representative from each Division. A member asked if there was a time line for this project and Schwaller indicated that there is not currently a time line, however if concrete goals were established by the end of this semester, the assessment committee can put together the tools next year and collect the data and then by 2005 have the necessary information for NCA. There was continued discussion about the models to be used and Schwaller explained that NCA wants to see a concrete program and the more concrete the program we have the simpler the process will be and he has various models that could be followed. A member suggested asking Bert Ahern to be on the sub-committee and other suggestions were Michelle Page, Katherine Benson, Tim O'Keefe and Tom Turner. Schwaller stated he would contact these people on CC's behalf and asked that further suggestions be directed to him.

COURSE APPROVALS:

Schwaller explained that two courses require approval English 4015 and Humanities 1005. Schwaller asked for a motion to approve English 4015 Senior Seminar: Variable Topics in Language and Literature II: James Joyce.

MOTION: (Bezanson, Korth) To approve Engl 4015

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

Schwaller asked for a motion to approve Hum 1005 Variable Topics: Myth and Literature

MOTION: (Kuechle, Bezanson) To approve Hum 1005

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

Meeting adjourned

8:40 a.m.

Submitted by Karen Van Horn