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UMM CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

MEETING #21 Minutes

April 11, 2007, 8:00 a.m., Behmler Conference Room

Present: Judy Kuechle (chair), Escillia Allen, Van Gooch, Harold Hinds, Michael Korth, Jooinn Lee, Jenny Nellis, Ray Schultz, Brenda Boever, Sara Haugen, Nancy Helsper, Jeri Mullin, Clare Strand

Absent: Ferolyn Angell, Amanda Jasken, Gwen Rudney

Kuechle opened the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM April 4, 2007

Kuechle asked for approval of minutes from the April 4, 2007 meeting.

MOTION (Hinds/Nellis) to approve the minutes of April 4, 2007.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF COURSE CHANGES

MGMT 3151 Human Resources Management (Old Title)

MGMT 3151 Human Resources Management I (New Title)

Lee explained that this is a proposed title change. When Mgmt 3152 (HR Mgmt II) was inactivated, there was no need to retain the "I" in the title of Mgmt 3151. Now that Mgmt 3152 is being proposed to be reactivated (see below), there is again a need to include the "I" in the title of Mgmt 3151.

MOTION (Nellis/Gooch): To approve the title change for Mgmt 3151

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

PSY 3302 Personality

Lee explained that this change consists of removing the Stat 1601 and Stat 2602 prerequisites. The new instructor for this course will include new content and methods, making the previous prerequisites no longer necessary. The prerequisites for this course will now be Psy 1051 or instructor consent.

MOTION (Nellis/Schultz): To approve changing the prerequisites for Psy 3302

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

PSY 3313 Psychopathology

Lee explained that this change consists of removing the Psy 3302, Stat 1601, and Stat 2602 prerequisites. The new instructor for this course will include new content and methods, making the previous prerequisites no longer necessary. The prerequisites for this course will now be Psy 1051 or instructor consent.

MOTION (Nellis/Schultz): To approve changing the prerequisites for Psy 3313

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

PSY 4960 Advanced Seminar in Health Psychology

Lee explained that this change simply consists of correcting a clerical error in listing of prerequisites. Psy 3302 and 3313 should be removed and Psy 3521 should be added. The prerequisites for this course will now be Psy 2001, 3521, sr status, instructor consent.

MOTION (Nellis/Schultz): To approve changing the prerequisites for Psy 4960

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

MGMT 3152 Human Resources Management II

Lee explained that this is a request to change the course status to active. The course had been inactivated due to staffing, but is now staffed and will be offered.

MOTION (Hinds/Nellis): To approve reactivating Mgmt 3152

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

PSY 3541 Cultural and Cross-Cultural Psychology

Lee explained that the faculty member who taught this course has left UMM. The two-credit course is being replaced with a new four-credit course, Psy 3542 Multicultural Psychology.

MOTION (Nellis/Schultz): To approve inactivating Psy 3541

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

REQUEST FOR GENERAL EDUCATION DESIGNATOR ON DIRECTED STUDY FOR KATHLEEN ROGERS

Kuechle explained that this request is for a General Education designator of Fine Arts (FA) for this Directed Study. Strand noted that it seems to fit the Human Diversity (HDiv) category, also.

MOTION (Schultz/ Nellis): To approve the Directed Study designator as FA

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (EDP) SUBCOMMITTEE GRANT RECOMMENDATIONS

Kuechle thanked the members of the EDP subcommittee Van Gooch, Gwen Rudney and Ray Schultz for their work in reviewing the applications and submitting a recommendation for the Curriculum Committee for approval. The subcommittee had a difficult task because of limited funds and multiple applications. Chair of the subcommittee, Gooch, agreed that it was a difficult task because all of the applications were fundable. The subcommittee came to a consensus among the top-rated applications.

Hinds stated that he was disappointed to see five applications given zero funding. Schultz answered that the subcommittee thought that if they gave everyone some funding, it would dilute the effect that full funding could have on the projects. Hinds stated that his disappointment refers to the amount of funding available being far too small. Kuechle asked the Curriculum Committee what a reasonable amount of funding should be for this campus. Nellis answered that it ought to be at least \$12,000 or \$15,000 [the current funding is \$8,000 plus fringe]. Hinds stated that curricular development seems to be at the heart of what we do and should be adequately funded. Nellis added that we want to encourage faculty at all levels and observed that the recommendations of the subcommittee include a fair mix. Korth asked the subcommittee to explain the criteria that was used to differentiate between the ones funded and ones that were not funded. Gooch answered that they first looked at the quality of the proposals and whether the applicant was proposing the development of a new course or an attempt to implement a course that has already been approved. A course farther along in development was a criterion. Schultz added that the subcommittee also discussed whether courses were broadly impacting a discipline, division, or the campus.

Kuechle stated that, at budgeting time, she will recommend an increase in the EDP budget. Gooch asked where the funds come from. Helsper answered that initially UMM received a special allocation from the central administration for EDP. Now it is part of our base at UMM. The Curriculum Committee has requested additional funding for years. At one time the allocation was \$7,500, was later increased to \$12,000, and recently was reduced to \$8,000. The Committee expressed concern and surprise that the amount has been reduced. Korth stated that an allocation tends not to be revisited unless there is someone pushing for it. Helsper added that there has also been the issue of whether the fringe was included in a grant amount or if it is in addition to the award. Kuechle stated that fringe is not considered in the application process this year and is added after the award has been made, making the total funding higher than \$8,000.

MOTION (Nellis/Lee): To approve recommendations of the EDP subcommittee.

VOTE: Motion passed (7-0-0)

OTHER BUSINESS

Kuechle informed the committee that Social Science changes to six majors and minors were proposed. These changes were distributed at the meeting for consideration at the next meeting. They consist of small changes, mostly to do with adding additional wording to major and minor requirements in anthropology and sociology to prevent students from “double-dipping” to fulfill major or minor requirements. The liberal arts for the human services major is proposing adding two psychology courses to the list of electives, and the women’s studies minor is proposing reducing the credits required from 28 to 20.

Strand stated that changes need to come to the Curriculum Committee for Art History because they left information out of the catalog. Kuechle suggested that Nellis look into it.

Kuechle announced that the American Indian Studies major was approved at Campus Assembly on April 3, 2007, and will go on to the Regents for approval.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 a.m.

Submitted by Darla Peterson