**Academic Policy Council**

**September 14, 2019**

**Mahar 467**

**Minutes**

Present: Eve Clark, Victoria Chiu, Jason Zenor, Rameen Mohammadi, Craig Delancey, Sharona Ginsberg, Mary McCune

Excused: Pat Russo

1. **Approval of the agenda.**

Approved.

1. **Approval of April 5 and August 30 minutes**

Approved**.**

1. **Chair’s Report**

No FAEB meeting due to Labor Day.

1. **Old Business**
2. **Psychology Memo**

PSY sent side-by-side. APC had asked for justification for not using the term “electives.” PSY opposed to changing existing language – “depth.” Council members felt breaking PSY 471 and 472 from the other Depth categories was confusing and could lead to a student thinking they need to both. The rationale for the two categories was also not clear to Council members. Finally, the creation of new categories means that this issue is no longer one that can be resolved with a simple memo.

Motion to approve with Depth rather than Elective language if PSY gets rid of the new categories. McCune moved, Delancey seconded. Approved.

1. **Geology Proposals**

Clark followed up with Council’s inquiry regarding the removal of the list of electives. They do want to remove the list because they don’t want to have to add/subtract courses through governance every time one is created or decommissioned. The Writing Plan is embedded in the core, not the electives, so a list of courses is not as critical as in other majors where Writing Plan course options may appear in the elective section.

* BA

“select one from the following” take out the three.

* BS, Track I

Extra space in Core might be helpful for clarity. No concerns about this track.

* BS, Track II

Victoria – “select one from the following” [not four]. Select one from the following list…needs to be this way. Reorder alphabetical and numerical. Jason should be range in the Core as well. Rameen thinks it adds up right.

Discussion of credit hours in Core. Sharona question about credit hours for the courses. Credits are listed in the catalog.

* Minor

Geology with a small “g” in electives. “Select 3-4….” Eve wants GEO faculty out.

Delancey, Chiu. Approve with changes.

1. **School of Business changes to its majors proposal**

Rameen summarizes changes. Don’t have to replace with anything else. “truth in advertising to all majors.” This language simplifies process. Eve – they did make changes to all the majors.

Language for the waiver already approved.

Chiu, Ginsberg Approved

1. **New Business:**
2. **BRC Blanket Deviation**

APC reviews blanket deviations. Didn’t used to in the past until Sue Fettes found out. She believed needed to be reviewed and could go on forever, backdoor change that would not go through shared governance. Just a report out item, didn’t use to be. Registrar now wants it reported out and put in minutes. Deals with the old majors and will then become obsolete once they graduate.

McCune, Chiu Approved.

1. **Criminal Justice Memo and Proposal**
2. **Memo**

Requesting any CRJ not in core to be considered an elective. Basically seems they are trying to get rid of the list. Eve big problem – will the Writing Plan embedded in the major, not in the electives. Old major Writing Plan denoted with \*\*. Can’t vote to approve at same time the way they are written.

Eve clarified why APC considers the Writing Plan.

Given discussion of Proposal, they need to have list of electives.

1. **Proposal**

Side-by-side does not have catalog Writing Plan language. Can approve pending approval Gen Ed. What is current Writing Plan

333, 387, 388, 401, then pick one WAC elective. All but 388 are still requirements.

388 issue, can’t just move to electives and they will have to keep the list.

Jason should they have lower-division writing course? Rameen, Gen Ed Council issue.

“Select one of the following” three (in the Core)

Discussion of why major credit hours reduced. Going back to PBJ. Staffing and resource issue.

Memo can’t be approved.

Eve can we approve pending changes? Zenor, Chiu. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary McCune

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