

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COUNCIL

3:15p.m.

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

Baker Center Room 231

Second Meeting of 2009-2010

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Bernstein, Brannan, Broughton, Brown D., Brown K, Casebolt, Connor, Coombs, Cutright (for Sherman), Dashiell (for Shepherd), Descutner, DiCaprio (for Moody), Fonseca, Giesey, Gonyer, Ingram, James, Kremer, Lamb (for McWeeny), Li (For Leite), Morrone, Newton, Palmer, Patterson (for Middleton), Reilly, Roberson, Sampson (for Irwin), Scanlan (for Ogles), Sparks, Suhr, Tadlock (for Bose), Tuck, Webster, Weiner

Excused: Davis, Riley,

Absent: Benson, Blamble, Calhoun, Coski, Dantas, Leinbaugh, Muhammad, Neader, Sarnoff, Sisson, Stephens, Stock, Williams

Guests: Benton, McCarthy, Rice, Straight

CHAIRS REPORT: David Thomas

Thomas called the meeting to order at 3:15p.m.

Thomas welcomed everyone to the third meeting of the University Curriculum Council.

Thomas asked for a motion to accept the November 17, 2009 minutes. Cutright moved and James seconded. Minutes approved by voice vote.

Thomas informed the Council that a one time only one-time-only two year Undergraduate Catalogue needs to be published on ACALOG. With the transition from Quarters to Semester the number of courses and programs that need to be reviewed will be significant. Quarter courses will not be allowed to be submitted in June 2010. Exceptions can be made. The two-year undergraduate catalog will aid in the transition. Thomas asked if there were any objections. Hearing none, he said he would so notify the registrar and provost.

Thomas informed the Council that Laurie Hatch from the Center for Teaching and Learning is offering numerous workshops regarding transferring from Quarter to Semester as well as mentoring events for new and recently hired faculty. If anyone is interested, Thomas asked that they sign up.

Thomas passed out to the Council a Draft entitled “ UCC and Programs Committee Process for Program “Relocation.” Kremer, chair of the Programs Committee, explained that the resolution was brought forward because there was no process in place in the Faculty Handbook. Kremer indicated that the Programs Committee modeled the resolution after existing language in the Faculty Handbook, and that the Programs Committee wanted as simple and coherent a

process as possible. Concerns were raised that this would be retroactive but Kremer clarified that this was not the case. Questions were raised about revising the Faculty Handbook. Kremer indicated that Joe McLaughlin, Chair of Faculty Senate, and Allyn Reilly had indicated that as drafted, they didn't believe it needed to be addressed by the Faculty Senate for changes in the Faculty Handbook. It was argued that the issues addressed by the resolution are curriculum related and fall under the province of the Council. Program relocation is initiated at the College level with department input. This will be a procedure of the University Curriculum Council. A vote on relocation of a program by the University Curriculum Council is not binding but a recommendation to the Provost. Suggestions for changes were made after lengthy discussion. Thomas asked that members email Kremer with any other suggestions.

Suggestions from the floor for changes to the draft include:

1. Adding the language of the Handbook in the first paragraph
2. Changing the word change to relocation.
3. Changing reason to reasons.
4. Adding a new d. Impact on faculty
5. Changing d. to e.
6. UCC approval should reflect what is stated in the College memo level.

PROGRAMS COMMITTEE: Greg Kremer, Chair

For First Reading

1. Major Code ND7252 Inactivation for Engineering
 - a. Rules suspended; unanimously approved by voice vote
2. Change in Master of Public Administration
 - a. Transitioning from the department of Political Science to the George Voinovich School
 - b. New department code (GVS) and New prefix codes (MPA and LPA) are being requested
 - c. Concerns were raised that the Voinovich School does not have the same structure for approval as other schools.
 - d. It was pointed out that the flow chart attached to the proposal shows the structure.
 - e. The School does not answer to a college.
 - f. The director of the School functions as the Dean.
 - g. All of the courses for the M.P.A. will need a new prefix. The conversion of the courses will be initiated from the Political Science department.

For Second Reading

1. Program Change – Hearing, Speech, Language Sciences pre-major
 - a. The requirement of the grade point average will be changed to read “a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better in the following premajor courses”
 - b. The minor will still be open to the students who don't qualify for the premajor

Approved by voice vote with 1 abstention and 1 opposed

2. Undergraduate Certificate in Bioinformatics
 - a. Bioinformatics is an interdisciplinary undertaking
 - b. Students put together a set of courses reflecting cross-disciplinary nature
Unanimously approved by voice vote

3. Art Minor Name and Description Change
 - a. Art Minor to Studio Art Minor
 - b. In description replace Art Minor with Studio Art Minor
 - c. Current Art Minor is split between Studio and Art History
 - d. No longer serves the students or the Program needs
Unanimously approved by voice vote

4. New Program: Art History
 - a. Non-majors who wish to pursue study in art history
 - b. Approval from the School of Art director is required.
 - c. 2.75 overall GPA required for admission
 - d. Must maintain a 3.0 GPA
Unanimously approved by voice vote

REVIEW COMMITTEE: Jeff Connor, Chair

Connor presented the Review of Deaf Studies and Interpreting

The program is viable and plays a substantial role in the University's overall mission. As noted in the reviews, some aspects of the program are to be commended. The reviewers also express some concerns and make recommendations; these should be addressed prior to the next regularly scheduled review. In particular, one more Group I or Group II faculty member be hired for the OU-C program and that the administration of the program reside at OU-C. The next review will take place in 2013-14.

Unanimously approved by voice vote

INDIVIDUAL COURSE COMMITTEE: Anita James, Chair

James informed her committee that there will be a revision for the meetings dedicated to the Binders. She will let the members know when they will be rescheduled.

James presented tabled items that had responses come in and are moved forward.
Courses unanimously approved by voice vote.

There being no further business, Thomas adjourned the meeting at 4:31 p.m.