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Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee
Minutes from Meeting
Thursday, November 17, 2016
FNDH 2147

Present: Debbie Bridges (CBT), Joel Cardenas (Academic Affairs), Valerie Cisler (FAH), Kay Hodge (CBT, Rochelle Krueger (Library), Dan May (Faculty Senate, FAH), Grace Mims (COE, CSP), Sam Rapien (FAH), Kim Schipporeit (Registrar), Jacob Stallbaumer (Student Senator), Camie West (COE)

Absent: Anna Hain (NSS), Kurt Siedschlaw (NSS)

Guest: Peggy Abels (NSS, Health Sciences)

Schipporeit (temp. chair) called the meeting to order at 3:28 (she said this was “close enough”). Committee elections were conducted.

Debbie Bridges (May/Hodge) was unanimously elected chair. Kim merrily handed the virtual gavel to Dr. Bridges.(really she just hit Bridges in the left arm as a sign).

Kay Hodge (Bridges/May) was unanimously chosen secretary.

With officers in place, the agenda was approved as printed (Schipporeit/Cisler).

Schipporeit pointed out that everything on the agenda was pretty straight forward. Peggy Abels attended the meeting to discuss the proposals for changes in the Health Care Program and answer any questions the Committee might have. Discussion was light. Items #7-#17 were approved.

Schipporeit told the Committee to expect significant changes from the Biology department. She also enlightened the Committee on the feedback she has received regarding the credit/no credit policy. NSS has questions, and Faculty Senate has questions and issues. Discussion was relaxed, but there was discussion.

There will be no meeting of this Committee in December. The next meeting will be January 19, 2017 at 3:30 in FNDH 2147. Reminder, the subcommittee meeting will be Wednesday, January 11, 2017 in FNDH 2147.

Cisler/May moved adjournment at 4:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Hodge

Minutes approved via e-mail:

2016-2017 ACADEMIC AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Academic Affairs Subcommittee 11/09/2016
Academic Affairs Full Committee 11/17/2016

NUMBER, REQUEST, LEVEL, SPECIFIC REQUEST, DEGREE/COURSE, PROGRAM/COURSE,
TITLE, DEPT, COL, REASON

7, Alter, Program, BS, Business Administration Comprehensive – Management Emphasis, MGT, CBT, Add courses to expand elective options.

#8, Alter, Program, Minor, Entrepreneurship, MGT, CBT, Add course to provide another option to SPCH 445.

#9, Alter, Program, Minor, Health Care Management, MGT, CBT, Add courses to expand elective options.

#10, Alter Program, BS, Health Sciences, HSCI, NSS, We are requesting the name of this degree to be changed to Applied Health Sciences. Students typically receive this degree after leaving UNK and completing clinical training in a health science profession. Therefore “Applied” Health Sciences more accurately describes the nature of the degree. The name of this degree also needs to be changed because a new degree titled “Health Sciences” has been proposed and is going through the process of approval at the Board of Regents/Coordinating Commission level. This new degree will be a traditional bachelor’s degree and at a national level, similar degrees are being titled “Health Sciences”. Therefore, in order to use the Health Sciences name on the new degree, we are changing the name of the original degree to Applied Health Sciences.

#11, Alter, Pre-Professional Program, Pre-Clinical Laboratory Science, HSCI, NSS, This alteration is simply to change the name of the Pre-Clinical Laboratory Science Program to Pre-Medical Laboratory Science. The name of this program was changed by UNMC last year to Medical Laboratory Science. Since we work exclusively with UNMC for students interested in this profession, the name of our pre-professional program at UNK needs to match the name of the program at UNMC.

#12, Alter, Pre-Professional Program, Pre Medical, HSCI, NSS, This request is to add recommended electives in psychology and sociology to the pre-med program. The Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) recently added a section of psychology and sociology. Medical schools are not officially requiring these courses for admission but do strongly suggest that students take classes in these areas to prepare for the MCAT. The four classes being recommended cover the guidelines for MCAT preparation in these subjects.

#13, Alter, Pre-Professional Program, Pre-Radiologic Technology, HSCI, NSS, Previously, UNK offered both a Pre-Radiologic Technology program and a Radiography Major. The Radiography Major is being discontinued and therefore, requirements for that program are being added to the Pre-Radiologic Technology program to create one single program for students interested in this profession. These changes will provide clarification and flexibility for students. The changes will also ensure that students have completed the requirements necessary to apply to a variety of radiography programs, including UNMC and our affiliated hospital sites. Students completing training at one of our affiliated hospitals may receive a Bachelor’s Degree from UNK.

#14, Discontinue, Program, BS, Radiography Comprehensive Major, HSCI, NSS, Previously, UNK offered both a Pre-Radiologic Technology program and a Radiography Major. In an effort to streamline our programs and create more clarification and flexibility for students, the Radiography Major is being discontinued. Requirements for that program are being added to the Pre-Radiologic Technology program to create one single program for students interested in this profession. The new Pre-Radiologic Technology program will ensure that students have completed the requirements necessary to apply to a variety of radiography programs, including UNMC and our affiliated hospital sites. Students completing training at one of our affiliated hospitals will still receive a health science degree from UNK so there will be no loss of graduates and few changes to the credit hours taken.

#15, Inactivate, Course, BIOL 201, Fundamental Tools for Biological Studies, BIOL, NSS, Class is being discontinued and a new course (BIOL 231) will become the first research class.

#16, Inactivate, Course, BIOL 375, Scientific Communication, BIOL, NSS, Class is being inactivated because it is being combined with BIOL 231.

#17, Inactivate, Course, BIOL 420, Biology Research, BIOL, NSS, Class is being discontinued and a new course (BIOL 431) will become the second research class.