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March 2019 General Studies Council Minutes

University of Nebraska at Kearney General Studies Council

Present: Sylvia Asay, Debbie Bridges, Rebecca Umland, Joel Cardenas, Scott Darveau, Miechelle McKelvey, Sri Seshadri, Tim Farrell, Aaron Estes, Julie Agard, Ron Wirtz, Greg Brown, Kim Schipporeit, Katherine Kime, Beth Hinga, Mark Ellis, Derrick Burbul

Absent: Karl Borden, Beth Wiersma

Guests: Sherri Harms and Ben Myers

I.   **Call to Order:**

Debbie Bridges called the meeting to order.

   1.   Approve Agenda: Agenda was approved.

   2.   Minutes from the February 7, 2018 meeting were approved via email.

II.   **Old Business (Open Items):**

   1.   Information item from FS Academic Affairs: New Cyber Systems department brings together programs from CSIT, MIS, and Information Networking and Telecommunication; courses in these programs now have a new course prefix (CYBR). Syllabi for the following GS courses (all in A&Q Thought distribution category) are provided for GSC review:

Current Information			Proposed Changes	
CSIT 108	Computers in Society		CYBR 108	Computers in Society
CSIT 111	Applied Comp Programming		CYBR 101	Comp Sci I: Python for Analytics (adding lab; hours increase from 3 to 4)
CSIT 112	Programming in C		CYBR 102	Comp Sci I: C for Security
CSIT 130	Intro to Comp Science		CYBR 103	Comp Sci I: Java for Software Dev
ITEC 150	Internetworking Literacy		CYBR 140	The Internet Explained
MIS 182	Software Productivity Tools		CYBR 182	Software Productivity Tools
MIS 282	Bus Intellig using Databases		CYBR 306	Intro to Predictive Modeling

Department chair Sherri Harms was present to answer questions about Cybersystems syllabi presented for General Studies approval.

III.   **New Business:**

   1.   Department chair Ben Myers addressed the council regarding his department's request to move JMC 100 from the democracy category to the humanities category so it has a home in the general studies program if the democracy category is eliminated.

   2.   Course Proposals (New): Nothing submitted:

Moratorium on new course proposals for 2018-19 AY (approved at 4/26/18 GSC meeting).

3. Assessment and GS Program:

    The council discussed results from the Fall 2018 assessments in Natural Sciences, Wellness, and Analytical and Quantitative Thought. Council voted to send results out to campus.

4. Syllabus Review:

    Syllabi should be reviewed by the April 4 meeting.

5. Review/Revision of General Studies Program

    All departments have been contacted.

    Feedback is coming in from various colleges with their approval/disapproval of the proposal. College of Arts and Sciences' Educational Policy Committee's response has been received and distributed to the council.

6. Review/revision of Governance Document

    The council discussed possible structure of the council moving forward regarding reallocation of representatives due to the merger of the College of Fine Arts and Humanities and the College of Natural and Social Sciences.

    Council voted to have six representatives from the College of Arts and Sciences. One representative will be appointed from each of the four divisions within the College. The remaining two will be at-large members. No more than two representatives may come from a single division within Arts and Sciences. The other two undergraduate colleges will each have four members. No department may have more than one representative.

IV. Other

V. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 3:30 p.m., Warner Conference Room