

Community College *of* Philadelphia

MEETING MINUTES
Sub-Committee on Curriculum
December 11, 2014
3:30 PM, Room M2-34

Committee Members Present

Presiding: Sharon Thompson

ADMINISTRATION		FEDERATION		STUDENT	GUESTS
<i>Appointees</i>	<i>Alternate</i>	<i>Delegates</i>	<i>Alternate</i>	<i>Delegates</i>	
M. Celenza	A. Birge	D. Prejsnar			T. Quinn
M. McGorry	M. Niven	G. Flisser			
C. Porter		J. Markivitz			

1. Approval of minutes of November 13, 2014

Corrections were needed in the spelling of Prejsnar and Markivitz. M. Celenza noted an error in the second paragraph under #3, and change Biology Department to Physics Department.

S. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes with minor corrections that were identified; G. Flisser seconded the motion. The Committee members unanimously approved the minutes.

2. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

3. Revision of Applied Studies Curriculum

S. Thompson introduced T. Quinn who provided a brief history about why and how the Applied Studies curriculum was developed. T. Quinn reported that the student population served by the program includes incumbent workers from organizations such as IBEW, steamfitters, and Hortman Aviation. Many of the students enter the program with apprenticeships and/or on-the-job training. Students who enter the program have had their noncredit training/education converted by the ACE (American Council on Education).

T. Quinn informed the members that the purpose of the revision is to make the program more transparent and easier for students to navigate and pages 3-7 of the revision gives an overview of the proposed revisions to the program. When asked by D. Prejsnar, T. Quinn responded that the program resides in the Social Science Department. D. Prejsnar asked why the program was not in the Business and Technology Division, and M. McGorry responded that there is no one member of the Division faculty who is available or willing to take responsibility for the program.

G. Flisser inquired if students would be able to earn a Proficiency Certificate (PC) after completing one of the concentrations. M. McGorry reported that at this time there is no PC

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available but there are plans to develop a PC by the Business and Technology Division faculty after the recent discontinuation of the Management of Computer Information Technology degree program in the future.

T. Quinn reported that regional four-year universities have similar programs that are titled, Technical Studies. Considerable discussion ensued in response to questions about how training and/or ACE courses were matched with College credit courses; who was evaluating the training or ACE credentials; and were rubrics used when evaluating outside sources of training.

D. Presjnar made the motion to approve the revision and forward the document to IWC noted changes; M. Celenza seconded the motion. The Committee members unanimously approved the program revision.

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 8, 2015.