

MEETING MINUTES
Institution-Wide Committee
Monday, November 25, 2019
2:30 p.m.
IAS Boardroom, M2-I

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 p.m. by Sam Hirsch.

II. Attendance

Delegates

Federation: Rainah Chambliss, Sean Sauer, Stan Walling, Jalyn Warren
Administration: Carol de Fries, Jacob Eapen, Judith Gay, Samuel Hirsch
Students: None

Alternates

Federation: None
Administration: Simon Brown, Mary Anne Celenza
Students: Joseph Palmer (voting)

Guests

Amy Birge, Chae Sweet, Sarah Iepson

III. Approval of Minutes of October 28, 2019, 2019

Carol de Fries made a motion to accept the minutes of October 28, 2019. Sean Sauer seconded the motion. All voted in favor of acceptance. The minutes of October 28, 2019 were approved.

IV. Old Business - None

V. New Business

a. Art and Design Revision – Curriculum Committee

Chae Sweet stated that the proposed revision to the Art and Design Program was reviewed by the Curriculum Committee and is recommended for approval.

Sarah Lepson reviewed the changes and the rationale:

1. Remove CIS 103 and replace with Art 150 and Art 290 which meet the general education technological competency.
2. Make Art 205 a required course. The course has been re-written and is now called Modern & Contemporary Art instead of modern American Art. The course is discussion-based seminar and is now more global.
3. PUT English 102 earlier in the course sequence.

Questions/Comments:

- Judy Gay asked if students can take a combination of the directed electives (171/172/173 and 180/182/183). Sarah explained how the courses can be offered as 1, 2 or 3 credits.
- Stan Walling asked for more details about the special topics courses. Sarah explained that they have left it somewhat open for faculty to design. He asked if the courses are offered at times other than in the summer. Sarah said they are still discussing that. It will be based on what students need and want. Stan also commented that he believes it is a positive that Art 205 is now more global. He recommended that the department consider making humanities courses such as HUM 101 or 102 options in the program to make the program more global in their next revision.
- Judy asked about transfer of the directed electives. Sarah said they have several articulation agreements and that most courses are accepted with the possible exception of graphic design, particularly to Temple University. Sean Sauer stated that it does transfer but as an elective. Sarah added that our graphic design course transfer if the student is in the graphic design track, but not in other tracks. Judy stated that the College could make request for data about how our students do in that course in the aggregate.
- Carol asked what colleges the students transfer to and Sarah mentioned numerous institutions. She also stated that they are trying to encourage transfer institutions to consider need based scholarships as RISD (Rhode Island School of Design) for example does.
- Jacob asked how many students are in the program. Sarah said they have experienced an increase because they are no longer a select program. The enrollment last fall was 204 and this fall is 370. They typically have 20-25 graduates in spring for an 18%-19% graduation rate. She added that they are keeping an eye on retention and graduation rate since they are no longer a select program.

Action:

Carol de Fries made a motion to recommend the program for approval. Jacob Eapen seconded the motion. All were in favor.

b. Dr. Generals' Response to the May 2019 recommendations

Sam Hirsch reminded the IWC that Judy Gay sent additional data to Dr. Generals regarding the Program Completion Policy as was stated in the October meeting. Dr. Generals did not approve the policy. Sam Hirsch said he spoke with Kristy Bergman. He said she understands Dr. Generals' rationale and will come back to the IWC after further deliberation. The IWC said that the Program Discontinuation Policy was recommended. Judy Gay will follow up.

Sam Hirsch stated that the next meeting is scheduled for December 23rd. He recommended cancelling the meeting and meeting in January instead. Carol asked if there were any pressing curricular changes coming. Sam Hirsch said that there was nothing that could not wait until January.

VI. Adjournment

Rainah Chambliss made a motion to adjourn. Simon Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.