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CWU Curriculum Committee Minutes - 10/01/09

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Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee  
October 1, 2009 
3:10 – 5:00  
Barge 304

Members Present: K. Salyer, R. Bransdorfer, J. Jorgensen, B. Palmquist, T. Culjak, K. Temple, T. Pellett, R. Spodobalski-Brower

Members Absent: B. Kulik, L. Braunstein

Approval of Agenda – T. Culjak moved to approved the agenda, B. Palmquist seconded.

Approval of May 28 Minutes – K. Temple moved to approve the May 28th minutes, B. Palmquist seconded. MOTION PASSED.

Introductions

Election of Chair – A nomination was made for Toni Culjak to become chair for the 09-10 academic year. Toni accepted the nomination. No other nominations were received. The committee unanimously voted to approve Toni Culjak as chair.

2008-2009 Annual Report – The annual report was prepared by the chair at the end of the academic year, 08-09. The committee reviewed and B. Palmquist moved to support the “fine” report, R. Bransdorfer seconded. MOTION PASSED. R. Bransdorfer will continue to work on the wording for the credit limit charge from the executive committee of the faculty senate.

Review of outstanding items

a. General Education proposals

The addition of COM 189 to the basic skills was rejected by a unanimous vote for the following reason:

There are no courses in the general education basic skills that have a pre-requisite. COM 189 has a pre/co-requisite of COM 201.

Concerning the addition of COM 201, additional information is being requested:

Provide a justification for the selected category, “Perspectives on the Cultures and Experiences of the United States”. The learner outcomes refer to “global” twice and “American” once.
Could this course be included in the “Perspectives on World Cultures” instead? Even though there is currently a COM course in that category, students cannot take more than one COM course from section II. of the gen ed program.

The learner outcomes nor the General Education Rationale form state how this course will meet the “W” requirement.

**Extended Meeting Dates** – Due to the number of proposals received last year and the time it took to review those proposals, a suggestion was made to increase the number of meetings during fall quarter and the beginning of the winter quarter. The spring meetings would decrease. L. Hoff will request some additional dates to the committee.

**Curriculum Deadline** – The catalog deadline letter was reviewed. A few minor suggestions were made. L. Hoff will edit the letter and send forward. The letter requires faculty senate and academic affairs approval.

**Curriculum Forms** – The new curriculum forms were distributed. The committee was asked to review and make suggestions. The suggestions should be emailed or mailed to L. Hoff. These forms will need to go before the faculty senate at the November meeting.

**Emergency Approval Process – Ratification of RT 398** – During the summer session the family and consumer sciences requested an emergency approval for a special topic to be taught fall quarter. An email was sent to the FSCC members and the special topic was approved. CWU Policy states that the curriculum proposals approved through the “Emergency Approval Process” must be ratified at the first committee meeting of the academic year.

**New Program – MLMS major** – The new Middle Level Math and Science degree was distributed to all committee members. Minor editing was suggested in the narrative along with rewording of MATH/SCED 323 prerequisites. B. Palmquist spoke to the committee concerning the need for the program.

**Review of October 1st Curriculum Summary Log**