

MINUTES
Faculty Senate Academic Affairs
April 15, 2014, 2:30 pm
Union room 204

Present: Bennett, Bormann, Goodson, Mosier, Pacey, Wang, Zajac
Absent: Bolton, Jani, Pankl, Kennedy, Linville, Satzler
Guests/Visitors: Sonya Britt, Ruth Dyer, Monty Nielson

1. Andy Bennett, chair, called the meeting to order at 2:41 p.m.
2. It was moved by Mosier and seconded by Bormann to approve the minutes of April 1, 2014. The minutes were approved as submitted with no discussion.
3. Course and Curriculum Changes
 - A. Undergraduate Education
 1. A motion was made by Pacey and seconded by Zajac to approve the following curriculum change approved by the College of Business Administration on February 10, 2014 (approval sheets sent out by Alice Niedfeldt on February 13, 2014 – had to wait for graduate course to pass prior to placing curriculum change on agenda):

CURRICULUM CHANGE

Management

Changes to the Bachelor of Science, Management

Motion carried with no discussion.

2. A motion was made by Pacey and seconded by Bennett to approve the following course and curriculum changes approved by the College of Arts and Sciences on April 3, 2014 (approval sheets sent out by Karen Solt on April 4, 2014):

COURSE CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

Art

Add: ART 404 – Minor in Art-Capstone

Biology

Change: BIOL 340 – Structure and Function of the Human Body

Chemistry

Add: CHM 316 – Environmental Science: A Chemistry Perspective Laboratory; K-STATE 8: Natural and Physical Sciences

History

Add:

HIST 516 – The Modern Middle East; K-State 8: Historical Perspectives; Global Issues and Perspectives

HIST 517 – Iranian People Since Antiquity; K-State 8: Historical Perspectives; Global Issues and Perspectives

HIST 584 – France and its Empire, 1815-Present; K-State 8: Historical Perspectives; Global Issues and Perspectives

Music, Theatre, and Dance

Add:

MUSIC 281 – West African Drumming and Percussion; K-State 8: Aesthetic Interpretation

THTRE 275 – Script Analysis; K-State 8: Aesthetic Interpretation

THTRE 366 – Fundamentals of Theatre Management; K-State 8: Aesthetic Interpretation;
Empirical and Quantitative Reasoning
THTRE 599 – Senior Seminar

Philosophy

Change:

PHILO 125 – Introduction to Philosophy of Science; K-State 8: Empirical and Quantitative Reasoning; Ethical Reasoning and Responsibility

Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work

Add:

ANTH 301 – Initiation to Anthropology; K-State 8: Social Sciences

ANTH 333 – Plagues: The Co-Evolutionary History of Humans and Pathogens; K-STATE 8: Natural and Physical Sciences; Historical Perspectives

CURRICULUM CHANGES

College of Arts and Sciences

Changes to the BA/BS Degree requirements

Art

Add: Art Minor

Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics

Changes to the BA in Biochemistry, Medical Biochemistry Track

Changes to the BS in Biochemistry – add a Medical Biochemistry Track

Chemistry

Changes to the Chemistry BA/BS, Chemical Science Program

Math

Add: Mathematics Minor

Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work

Changes to the Anthropology BA/BS

Changes to the Social Work BA/BS

Discussion:

Bennett reported that the changes to the prerequisites for BIOL 340 were expected to have a negative impact on students in Human Ecology. Nevertheless, it was felt that more restrictive prerequisites were consistent with the Biology Department's offering fewer sections as a cost-cutting measure. The change is only being implemented in Spring 2015 in order to accommodate Human Ecology students in the transition.

CHM 316, while only being 1 credit hour, still can carry a K-State 8 tag since its content is entirely devoted to that tag (Natural & Physical Sciences).

Pacey expressed his appreciation for the creation of a Math Minor.

Motion amended to correct minor typographical mistakes.

Motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Pacey and seconded by Zajac to approve the following course changes approved by the College of Engineering on April 3, 2014 (approval sheets sent out by Gina Leon on April 4, 2014):

COURSE CHANGES

Computing and Information Sciences

CIS 101 - Introduction to Computing Systems, ~~Information Search, and Security~~
CIS 102 - Introduction to Spreadsheet Applications
CIS 103 - Introduction to Database Applications
CIS 104 - Introduction to Word Processing Applications

Discussion:

Members briefly discussed scheduling concerns related to the CIS courses' 8-week format.
Motion carried.

B. Graduate Education –

1. A motion was made by Bormann and seconded by Goodson to approve the following course changes and additions as approved by the Graduate Council on April 1, 2014:

COURSE CHANGES

Business Administration - MANGT 623 Compensation & Performance Mangt
Arts and Sciences - POLSC 740 Nonprofit Financial Management

COURSE ADDITIONS

Human Ecology - KIN 614 Physical Activity Behavior Settings...
Business Administration - MANGT 643 Staffing Organizations
Arts and Sciences - ART 621 Advanced Concepts in Lens-Based Media
Arts and Sciences - GEOL 760 Geochemical and Biogeochemical Modeling
Arts and Sciences POLSC 608 Political Participation in the United States
Arts and Sciences POLSC 610 Local Government Law
Arts and Sciences POLSC 702 Public Administration and Society
Arts and Sciences POLSC 736 Strategic Management of Public Organ.
Arts and Sciences POLSC 738 Public Finance
Education EDCI 729 Middle-Level Mathematics for Teachers
Education EDCI 823 History of Mathematics Education
Education EDCI 825 Research in Mathematics Teaching & Learning
Education EDCI 826 Contemporary Technologies in Mathematics Education
Education EDCI 827 Theoretical Models of Mathematics Teaching & Learning
Education EDCI 828 Assessment in Mathematics Education
Agriculture PMC 710 Rural Tourism and Sustainable Development

Discussion:

Motion was amended to correct minor typographical errors.
Amended motion carried

2. A motion was made by Goodson and seconded Mosier by to approve the following curriculum changes and additions as approved by the Graduate Council on April 1, 2014:

CURRICULUM CHANGES

Graduate School - Ph.D. Food Science
Human Ecology - Ph.D. Hospitality & Dietetics Administration
Arts and Sciences - Master of Public Administration
Human Ecology - M.S. Kinesiology
Human Ecology - M.S. Personal Financial Planning Specialization

CURRICULUM ADDITIONS

Education - M.S. in Curriculum & Instruction: Mathematics Specialization
Human Ecology – New degree: M.S. Personal Financial Planning

Discussion:

M.S. Personal Financial Planning

Sonya Britt presented information about the Master's in Personal Financial Planning (PFP). Although there currently exists a PFP option within Family Studies and Human Services, the current proposal aims to separate PFP out as a stand-alone degree. FSHS would make plans to drop the existing sub-plan option in PFP after the acceptance of the current proposal.

Master of Public Administration

It was pointed out that the current format of this proposal was unsuitable for inclusion into the catalog. Bennett shared details about the proposal's routing mishaps. An amendment was proposed by Goodson and seconded by Wang specifying that an appropriately reformatted proposal be substituted going forward, pending approval by the members via electronic distribution*.

M.S. in Curriculum & Instruction: Mathematics Specialization

Bennett shared details about the development and routing of this proposal. The department of Mathematics supports the proposal, which primarily aims to provide online delivery.

Amended motion carried.

* *Reformatted version was distributed by e-mail on 4/15/2014 at 5:44 pm.*

4. Follow up item from the March 4, 2014 meeting (pending clarification from department):
 - A. Update on the following curriculum change approved by the College of Arts and Sciences on February 20, 2014 (approval sheets sent out by Karen Solt on February 20, 2014):

Sociology, Anthropology, & Social Work
Changes to the Certificate Program in Nonviolence Studies

Chair Bennett reported informing Senator Cauble of the members' questions. No reply has yet been received for this to move forward.

5. Graduation list corrections/additions, etc: A motion was made by Pacey and seconded by Wang to approve the following graduation list additions:

May 2013

Trevor Braden Steinman, BS in Business Administration, College of Business Administration

December 2013

Harold Richard McAtee, BS, College of Arts and Sciences

Bethany Faye Parker, BS, College of Arts and Sciences

Discussion: Members discussed the circumstances leading to these oversights.

Motion carried.

6. Committee reports:

A. CAPP – Bennett

Bennett reported on an initiative from the Board of Regents regarding the assignment of course credit for past experience. Discussion followed. It seems unlikely that a single consistent policy can be established that can fit the multiple constraints of different disciplines, accreditation requirements, and BOR institutions' practices. The BOR recommendations have only just been released earlier this week, allowing insufficient time to consider and discuss the multiple concerns and ramifications. Various issues were raised for consideration.

B. CCAPIIC – Bennett

Chair Bennett reported that the routing procedure diagrams have been extensively analyzed. The next step is to work on the software. Consideration is being given to putting together a Request For Proposals to see if the routing procedures' needs can be met by existing vendor software.

C. iSIS – Satzler

Chair Bennett reported that the task force decided to continue its work with Larry Satzler as Chair of the Taskforce.

D. Library Committee – Bormann

Bormann described various budgeting strategies that were considered at their meeting a few weeks ago. A student library fee was proposed, but SGA voted against it. Profile plans are being developed to guide the library in making new purchases based on what patrons in a given discipline have been ordering in the past.

7. Announcements/for the good of the University

The Committee's next chair will be elected at the next meeting, on May 6th. Incoming senators will take office on May 13th, so the May 20th meeting of Academic Affairs will constitute the first active meeting for these new senators.

Annual Retiree Ceremony: April 15, 2014; 4 pm; Alumni Center Banquet rooms (Hosted by Faculty Senate).

8. The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 6, 2014; 3:30 pm; Union room 204

Action item: Chair election for 2014-2015

New Library committee member will need assigned as well