COMMITTEE:  Admissions & Retention Policies

MEETING DATE:  August 27, 2018

PERSON PRESIDING: Jeff Popke and Jay Newhard

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:  Beth Thompson, Jay Newhard, Guglielmo Fucci, Eli Hvastkovs, Jason Mose, and David Hisle

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:  John Fletcher, Jayne Geissler

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:  Jeff Popke, Regis Gilman, Lori Lee

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ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item:  A welcome by the Chair of the Faculty, Jeff Popke

Discussion:  The Chair of the Faculty, Jeff Popke, began the meeting with introductions and a review of the committee packet materials. In particular he went over the charge of the committee. He advised the committee to concentrate on a product, keep philosophical discussions to a minimum, read materials in advance, and to keep good records.

Agenda Item:  Election of committee officers for 2018 - 2019

Discussion:  The Chair of the Faculty, Jeff Popke, opened the floor to nominations for officers of the committee.

Action Taken:  Jay Newhard was elected Chair, Beth Thompson was elected Vice Chair, and Guglielmo Fucci was elected Secretary.

Agenda Item:  Discussion of ACE credits with Regis Gilman

Discussion:  Regis Gilman, executive director of the Office of Academic Outreach, Continuing and Distance Education summarized to the committee the current policy for military credits. She pointed out that, in the current system, there is no standardized way of transferring military credits to ECU. In order to attract more military personnel who wish to go to college, ECU should work toward some sort of articulation agreement so that military students can get credit for their military courses and experiences. She also pointed out that while military students should be given the credits they deserve, one needs to be careful. In fact, one has to be sure that the incoming military students are truly prepared for the classes they will have to take at ECU. Regis Gilman also showed the committee the ACE website and how ACE, as an organization, works. The committee asked how many military students whose military credentials would need to be reviewed apply to ECU yearly. John Fletcher estimated that number to be about 200, though it is expected to increase. The committee had some concerns about the process of transferring military credits. One major concern regarded the GPA requirements. Several classes at ECU impose a minimum on the grade that a student can have in a prerequisite class. It is unclear how this requirement can be implemented with military credits. The committee generally agreed that it would be beneficial for ECU, or at least the campus constituencies that would be more affected by military students, to have an articulation agreement with ACE. Due to the complexity of the matter, Jayne Geissler agreed to chair a subcommittee tasked with examining ACE credits in more detail.

Action Taken:  The committee tabled the item until a more detailed report on ACE credits is provided by the subcommittee.
Assigned additional duties to: Jayne Geissler agreed to chair a subcommittee tasked with examining ACE credits in more detail.

The meeting adjourned at 5:18 pm