

COMMITTEE: General Education and Instructional Effectiveness

DATE: Monday, September 19, 2016

PERSONS PRESIDING: John Stiller, Chair of Faculty and George Bailey, Chair of GEIE

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Purificación Martínez, Michele Wallen, Sharilyn Steadman,

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ying Zhou, Becky Whitley, Jean-Luc Scemama

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Gregory Lapicki, Lori Lee

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ACTIONS OF THE MEETING:

1. The committee was called to order at 2:00 by Chair of Faculty, John Stiller
2. Stiller reviewed with the committee its charge. Main goals for the year: new SOIS instrument and clear guidelines for evaluation of teaching. Stiller recommended that work be done in subcommittees before presenting documents to entire committee.
3. Election of officers done by acclamation. Chair: George Bailey, Vice Chair Michel Wallen, Secretary for Fall Purificación Martínez, Secretary for Spring Anna Froula. After election, meeting conducted by new elected chair Bailey.
4. Bailey alerted the committee to save every Monday 2-4 for possible meetings. Due to the heavy workload of the committee it is likely that the committee will need to meet often. Next meeting of the committee was scheduled for Monday September 26 at 2.
5. Election of Becky Whitley as committee representative in Athletics Committee.
6. Election of Jean-Luc Scemama as committee representative in Honors College Committee.
7. Formation of Teaching Evaluation subcommittee. The following were elected to serve in this subcommittee: Bailey, Wallen, Steadman, Zhou, Whitley. For the immediate future the committee will work on: Recommendations on the new instrument for SOIS, revision of response rate, creating clear guidelines for evaluation of teaching. Regarding the first item, Zhou indicated that based on the piloting of the new instrument, there are some questions that might need clarification depending of the outcome wished by the committee. For point 2, Zhou indicated that the response rate is still not ideal. Regarding point 3 Bailey suggested as a possible model the UNC Chapel Hill School of Nursing Instrument, he will send information regarding this instrument to members of the newly elected subcommittee.
8. General Education Subcommittee. Bailey informed the committee of the progress made by the General Education Subcommittee. The subcommittee has approved a vision statement, has reviewed approaches to GenEd in different campuses and is working toward a nomenclature for the categories. After that, they will work on assessment. Based on the direction of the work, Bailey recommended the rescission of the moratorium on approval of new FC courses.

9. Rescission of Resolution 15-90. Bailey moved to rescind the moratorium on consideration of courses for Foundations credit approved by senate resolution 15-90 and approved by the chancellor on December 8, 2015. Martínez seconded. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

*Text of resolution 15-90: Recommendation that a moratorium on consideration of courses for Foundations credit be instituted effective 1, 2016 and lasting until January 1, 2017. The moratorium does not apply to revisions to courses that already carry foundations credit.*

10. Discussion of allowing courses in the major to count toward Foundation credit. The issue was discussed but the committee decided not to take any action.

11. Discussion of ECU requirement that 50% of hours that count toward the major to be done at ECU. The issue was discussed but the committee decided not to take any action.

12. Bailey informed the committee about the UNC Critical Thinking symposium to take place in Charlotte at the end of October. He invited members of the committee to join the ECU faculty and administrators already attending.

With no further business, the committee adjourned at 3:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Purificación Martínez, Fall Secretary