COMMITTEE: Educational Policies and Planning

MEETING DATE: Friday, February 8, 2019 (142 Rawl Annex)

PERSON PRESIDING: Mark Bowler

ATTENDANCE

Regular members: Paige Averett, Mark Bowler, John Collins, Bryna Coonin, Donna Kain **Ex-officio Members (with vote):** George Bailey, Cynthia Bellacero, Tom McConnell

Also in attendance: Rachel Baker

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Call to order: 1:03 pm

Agenda Item #1: Approval of January 11, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Action Taken: MINUTES APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS:

Agenda Item # 2: New Graduate Certificate: Medical Family Therapy Certificate

<u>Unit:</u> Department of Human Development and Family Science

Representative: Jennifer Hodgson

<u>Discussion</u>: Erin Roberts in for Jennifer Hodgson. The Department had high emphasis on family therapy in existing programs. This certificate helps clarify to employers the skill set represented. Roberts explained details of how and what courses are offered. Course hours and an internship are involved in the proposed master's certificate. Summey commented concerning some discrepancies in Curriculog with respect to the catalog copy. Bowler voiced concern about the name of the certificate as it can lead to misrepresentation/confusion with the PhD program. "Credits do not apply to the PhD" could also be added and should be. No hours from the certificate will apply to the PhD program, which is very research focused. Hodgson will need to address this but at the EPPC stage you cannot edit in Curriculog so Bowler will need to re-route it. Some concern was voiced that Graduate Curriculum Committee should look more closely at the class taken both by the certificate candidates and PhD candidates – to see whether they should be two separate classes, or perhaps be numbered differently.

EPPC recommends that this go back to GCC for a course revision form to clarify this on behalf of the PhD program especially, as these students may be affected. However, this does not affect what EPPC is being asked to approve today.

<u>Action Taken:</u> Approved, pending wording changes suggested. Mark will email Hodgson and cc to GCC chair

Agenda Item #3: Program Revision/reduction in program hours: BS in History, Secondary Education

<u>Unit:</u> Department of Literacy Studies, English Education and History Educations

Representative: Allen Guidry

<u>Discussion</u>: Brings program into compliance with the required UNC credit policy, and still preserves the double major, history and history education.

Action Taken: Approved

<u>Agenda Item #4</u>: Degree name change: MS in Recreation Services and Interventions to an MS in Recreation Sciences

Unit: Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies

Representative: Deb Jordan

<u>Discussion</u>: Cliff Watts in for Deb Jordan. Title change only, no learning outcome changes. Making it hard for students to find us. More in line with what students, professionals in the field might expect.

Action Taken: Approved

Agenda Item #5: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BS in Special Education, Adapted

Curriculum

<u>Unit:</u> Department of Special Education, Foundations and Research

Representative: Stacy Weiss

<u>Discussion:</u> Marsha Tripp in for Stacy Weiss. Changes bring program into compliance with the required UNC credit policy. Department also wanted to clean up catalog entries and strengthen courses.

Action Taken: Approved

Agenda Item #6: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BS in Special Education, General Curriculum

<u>Unit:</u> Department of Special Education, Foundations and Research

Representative: Stacy Weiss

<u>Discussion:</u> Marsha Tripp in for Stacy Weiss. Changes bring program into compliance with the required UNC credit policy. Question: What is the distinction between adaptive and general (see agenda item #5 above)? Adaptive is for students who have severe disabilities and require a lot of assistance.

Action Taken: Approved

Agenda Item #7: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BS in in Industrial Engineering Technology

Unit: Department of Technology Systems

Representative: Merwan Mehta

<u>Discussion</u>: Department brought back some banked courses. Going to 120 hours gave the department a chance to re-evaluate offerings in light of the current employment requirements for graduates in this area. Some specific course replacement examples were supplied.

Action Taken: Approved

Agenda Item #8: Recommendation on change to minors

Representative: George Bailey

<u>Discussion:</u>. Comments received from the registrar and from Donna Kain. Assumption was that you could not minor in your major. This is not written down anywhere and is not policy.

<u>Action Taken</u>: Bailey – these should be concentrations, not minors. Bellacero says UCC would be conscious of this though the departments are less so. She will alert UCC that this discussion is happening. A vibrant discussion ensued. No vote required in EPPC at this point. A student may not major and minor in the same field but in an interdisciplinary minor things are less clear. "No double counting" was discussed. How many or

what percentage of courses have to be outside of major? This discussion is tabled until next month for EPPC. Additional data will be forthcoming. Recommendation will be revised and brought back to our next meeting.

Agenda Item #9: New EPPC APR Representatives for Fall 2019

- 1. Unit: **Dept. of Geological Sciences** [Geology BS, Geology MS, Hydrogeology & Environmental Geology PB] **Donna Kain**
- 2. Unit: **Dept. of Geography, Planning, and Environment** [Geography BA, Applied Atmospheric Science BS, Applied Geography BS, Geographic Information Science & Technology BS, Geography MS, Geographic Information Science 4C, Geographic Information Science & Technology PB, Development and Environmental Planning PB] **Tom McConnell**
- 3. Unit: **Dept. of Technology Systems** [Computer Network Professional PB, Cyber Security Professional PB, Lean Six Sigma PB, Website Developer PB **Mark Bowler** (Coonin will shadow)

Action Taken: volunteers secured, no additional action required

SPECIAL NOTE: The Education Policies and Planning Committee wishes to take this opportunity to thank Karen Summey for her work in support of our committee. Her patient guidance as we learned to navigate the vagaries of Curriculog was invaluable. Karen is retiring from ECU at the end of February. Her advice and wisdom over her years of service to the university and to this committee have strengthened both. She will be very much missed. We wish her all the best in her new endeavors.

Agenda Item #10: Announcements/Updates

Current APR Representatives/Status Updates

- i. Kinesiology Don Chaney -- progressing
- ii. Biology Mark Bowler -- progressing
- iii. Computer Science John Collins they have an extension
- iv. Construction Management Paige Averett they are responding
- v. Foreign Languages Donna Kain will follow up on
- vi. Anthropology Tom McConnell
- vii. Others?

Adjournment: 2:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, March 15, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in 142 Rawl Annex.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryna Coonin, Secretary