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COMMITTEE: Educational Policies and Planning

MEETING DATE: Friday, March 15, 2019 (142 Rawl Annex)

PERSON PRESIDING: Mark Bowler

ATTENDANCE

Regular members: Paige Averett, Mark Bowler (Chair), John Collins, Bryna Coonin, Christy Walcott

Ex-officio Members (with vote): George Bailey, Cynthia Bellacero, Tom McConnell

Also in attendance: Rachel Baker

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Call to order: 1:05 pm

Agenda Item #1: Approval of February 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Action Taken: APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS:

Agenda Item #2: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BFA in Art

<u>Unit:</u> School of Art & Design **Representative:** Daniel Kariko

Discussion: Action was necessary to come into compliance with the UNC 120 credit limit requirement.

The department took this opportunity to make some useful changes to the curriculum.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #3: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BS in Hospitality Management

Unit: School of Hospitality Leadership

Representative: Jay Lee

Discussion: Now under the College of Business. Action was necessary to come into compliance with

the UNC 120 credit limit requirement. Three curriculum changes were described.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #4: Department name change: Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies to

Department of Recreation Sciences

Unit: College of Health and Human Performance

Representative: Cliff Watts in for Edwin Gomez

<u>Discussion</u>: Department recently changed the name of the master's and wanted department name to echo this, and also to emphasize the science aspect of recreation studies. The trend in the field is to move in that direction and the department's name change has been under discussion for several years. Course preface will be RCSC. SIP code is not affected.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #5 Micro Credentialing Working Group Volunteer

Representative: Mark Bowler for Jeff Popke

<u>Discussion:</u> Briefly discussed badges. Not mandatory, but there is movement in this area on campus. A volunteer is needed to monitor the working group activities and participate as needed.

Action Taken: Mark Bowler volunteered to represent EPPC

Agenda Item #6 Recommendation on change to minor policy

Representative: George Bailey

<u>Discussion:</u> Bailey reviewed the issues involved and provided the latest documents available. Double counting was discussed – cannot double count, but what constitutes double counting is not always as clear as we would think. Clarification questions were asked relating to electives. Wording changes were made to resolve several concerns, including procedural concerns. Bailey will produce a final version of the document. Much of this is already in place in practice but what was written about it was not clear, so this effort helps clarify navigation.

Action Taken: APPROVED with friendly amendments

Agenda Item #7: Academic Program Review Response: Department of Foreign Languages and

Literatures

Representative: Purificacion Martinez and Eduardo Soriano

EPPC/APR Rep: Donna Kain (not present, provided feedback as process moved forward)

<u>Discussion:</u> Review was begun as a chair stepped down. Process has been 100% faculty driven without the chair. Soriano (serving as interim chair) is a Geology faculty member but was appointed to assist. He attended the relevant meetings for this process, accompanied by Dr. Martinez. FORL has multiple concentrations, multidisciplinary programs, and a masters degree. -study had limitations because it was not possible to look at the department comprehensively. IPAR instructed the department to omit looking at the education concentration, Global Studies, the masters (in its first year), and Russian/Classical because they are part of multidisciplinary. In comparing foreign language departments at other schools we are not much different. We have lower enrollment but otherwise

compare favorably. Department has lost faculty positions but kept student credit hour production levels. Reviewers noted that they are not communicating well the successes and innovations and accomplishments in research – need to be advocates of their own successes. Good progress is being made. Department is now engaged in making sure the positive aspects of the department and their accomplishments will be more effectively communicated across the department. Department has been re-energized. A question arose concerning why a tenured person in another department could review but not a fixed term person in FORL. Martinez indicated that the Chair of the Faculty is looking into this.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #8: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BM in Music Education

Unit: School of Music

Representative: Cynthia Wagoner

<u>Discussion:</u> Action was necessary to come into compliance with the UNC 120 credit limit requirement. Wagoner detailed adjustments made in electives and reported other small changes.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #9: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BM in Music

Unit: School of Music

Representative: Cynthia Wagoner

<u>Discussion:</u>. Action was necessary to come into compliance with the UNC 120 credit limit requirement.

Wagoner detailed adjustments made in electives

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #10: Academic Program Review Response: Department of Anthropology

Representative: Randy Daniel (not present)

EPPC/APR Rep: Tom McConnell

<u>Discussion:</u> McConnell reported on the review and the response. He also provided context, including legacy of split with Sociology. The department has experienced fairly extensive budget cuts over time but remains an exceptionally strong department,

Action Taken: APPROVED

<u>Agenda Item #11</u>: Program name change: BS in Urban and Regional Planning to BS in Community and Regional Planning

Unit: Department of Geography, Planning, & Environment

Representative: Paul Gares (not present)

<u>Discussion</u>: Accreditors for this department asked for this change to reflect current trends in the field.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #12: Program revision/name change: BS in Applied Geography – to BS in Geography

Unit: Department of Geography, Planning, & Environment

Representative: Paul Gares (not present)

<u>Discussion</u>: Change requested to reflect current trends in the field.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #13: Program discontinuation: BA in Geography

<u>Unit:</u> Department of Geography, Planning, & Environment Representative

Representative: Paul Gares (not present)

<u>Discussion:</u> The UNC 2016 Biennial Degree Program Review recommended this, due to low student enrollment. The BS in Geography is in place. There is a teach-out plan for the four students currently in the B.A.program.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #14: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BS in Geology

<u>Unit:</u> Department of Geological Sciences <u>Representative:</u> Eric Horsman (not present)

<u>Discussion:</u> Action was necessary to come into compliance with the UNC 120 credit limit requirement.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #15: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BS in Physical Education

<u>Unit</u>: Department of Kinesiology

Representative: Jeffrey Pizzutilla (not present)

<u>Discussion:</u> Action was necessary to come into compliance with the UNC 120 credit limit requirement. However, <u>in Dr. Pizzutilla's absence the EPPC will place this item on the agenda for the April 12, 2019 meeting as a few questions arose that were not answered by the information in Curriculog.</u>

Action Taken: TABLED until the April 12 meeting.

Agenda Item #16: Program revision/reduction in program hours: BS in English, Secondary Education

Unit: Department of Literacy Studies, English Education and History Education

Representative: Todd Finley (not present)

<u>Discussion:</u> Action was necessary to come into compliance with the UNC 120 credit limit requirement. Brief discussion ensued. They were at 124 and removed a 4-hour course.

Action Taken: APPROVED

Agenda Item #17 Update to EPPC Charge

Wording changes with input from Graduate Council Executive Committee were made available to EPPC.

Representative Mark Bowler

Discussion:.

Action Taken: APPROVED

ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPDATES

APR Updates

- i. Geology Donna Kain -- no report
- ii. Geography Tom McConnell no report just getting started
- iii. Technology Systems Mark Bowler/Bryna Coonin
- iv. Kinesiology Don Chaney -- no report
- v. Biology Mark Bowler onsite visit went well
- vi. Computer Science John Collins got comments. They did not change/address some of the issues mentioned in their revised self-study. Reviewers arrive in a few weeks.
- vii. Construction Management Paige Averett they wrote a response, but unclear what happens next. Paige will follow up. Review was good but response can be tighter and clearer.
- viii. IBPBS (Tom McConnell) is progressing

ix. Others -- none

Adjournment: 2:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 12, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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