

**COMMITTEE:** Educational Policies and Planning Committee

**MEETING DATE:** September 14, 2012 **Called to Order: 1:04 PM. Quorum established.**

**PERSON PRESIDING:** Mark W. Sprague

**REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Saman Abdulali, Kanchan Das, DeeDee Glascoff, David Smith, Ed Stellwag Joseph Thomas

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Susan Bashinski, John Kinney

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Linner Griffin, Leigh Patterson, Jeff Popke

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** None

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## **ACTIONS OF MEETING**

Agenda Item: Election of Officers for 2012-2013

After opening remarks regarding the EPPC's responsibilities as recorded in the Educational Policies and Planning Committee charge, Dr. Sprague called for nominations for the committee chair position. Ed Stellwag was nominated and a motion was made and seconded to close the nominations and elect him by acclamation.

### Action Taken

The motion to elect Ed Stellwag to chair the committee was approved unanimously.

After the election of Ed Stellwag as committee chair, Dr. Sprague yielded the meeting to him.

The committee chair opened the floor for nominations of the vice chair. David Smith was nominated and a motion was made and seconded to close the nominations and elect him by acclamation.

### Action Taken

The motion to elect David Smith as vice chair of the committee by acclamation was approved unanimously.

The floor was then opened for nomination of the secretary. Susan Bashinski was nominated and a motion was made and seconded to close the nominations and elect her by acclamation.

### Action Taken

The motion to elect Susan Bashinski as secretary of the committee by acclamation was approved unanimously.

## **Report from Dr. Griffin**

Dr. Griffin provided a brief follow-up report on the Academic Program Development workshop held on September 7 in the Allied Health Building. The program, which focused on changes in the academic program approval process, was well attended and received complimentary feedback from participants. The two breakout sessions that centered on developing cross institution collaborations and the development of contingency ready budgets featured UNC Charlotte Associate Dean of Nursing Dee Baldwin and ECU CON Dean Sylvia Brown as well as Bob Thompson for the Curriculum Committee and ECU Economics Chair, Richard Ericson, respectively. These sessions were also very well attended and received very positive feedback from workshop participants.

## **Discussion concerning Committee Goals**

There was a brief discussion about whether the committee should establish goals for the year. A consensus opinion did not emerge from the discussion. However, it engendered a discussion about the University 1000 course.

## **Discussion about University 1000**

Deedee Glascoff introduced a discussion about a potentially required freshmen seminar course, UNIV 1000. A committee made up of student affairs staff, academic advisors, and faculty has been meeting to investigate the effectiveness of an existing freshman seminar course (COAD 1000) and the advisability of developing a requiring a seminar course for all freshmen. A report of that committee was delivered to the Faculty Senate at its September 2012 meeting.

The discussion of the EPPC centered on the fact the since curriculum is the purview of the faculty any further development of this course should come from faculty (as opposed to student affairs or the advising center). While the development of new courses is not part of the charge of EPPC, the committee agreed that this course may present an area of concern to our faculty governance system and deserves monitoring.

**Meeting Adjourned 2:10 PM.**

**NEXT MEETING:** October 12, 2012

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:** None mentioned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ed Stellwag for Susan Bashinski

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