

# **COMMITTEE: Educational Policies and Planning**

**MEETING DATE: Friday, October 9, 2020 (WebEx)**

**PRESIDING:** Mark Bowler, Chair

## **ATTENDANCE**

**Regular members:** Heidi Bonner, Mark Bowler, John Collins, Bryna Coonin, Michael Dingfelder, Timothy Jenks, Jean-Luc Scemama, Michelle Wallen

**Ex-officio Members (with vote):** Cynthia Bellacero, Tom McConnell, Jason Yao, Madi Stamper

**Also present (without vote):** Rachel Baker

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**Call to order: 1:00 pm**

**AGENDA ITEM #1:** Approval of September 11, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**ACTION TAKEN:** Approved

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**AGENDA ITEM #2:** Catalog Changes

Unit: Provost

Representative: Cyndi Bellacero

**DISCUSSION:** There were no questions or corrections from the Committee

**ACTION TAKEN:** Approved

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**AGENDA ITEM #3:** Minor APR Changes for SACS

Unit: Provost

Representative: Cyndi Bellacero

**DISCUSSION:** More faculty input is needed. Bellacero indicated that it is in the University's best interest to make no substantive changes until 2023 as work is beginning in preparation for SACS. Suggestion was to send forward minor changes now, then work on the larger concerns later. Chair Bowler will take forward to Faculty Senate the minor changes EPPC agrees to and will inform Faculty Senate that a fuller

review is underway. It is anticipated that a fuller review will include substantive clarifications. Such a review is expected to be completed before 2023 but it would be understood that any changes resulting from it would not take effect until 2023.

**ACTION TAKEN: Approved**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** none at this time

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** Friday November 13, 2020 1:00 p.m. via WebEx

**ADDENDUM: Following the October 9 meeting:**

The following item was brought to us by our colleague, Dr. Cyndi Bellacero.

Chair Bowler communicated to the Committee on October 19 via email that there was a small change that was not included in the Faculty Manual proposal that was presented and voted on during our September meeting. It was in regard to who is represented on the Academic Program Development Collaborative Team (APDCT). This change is being suggested as the specifics of curriculum development are not part of the initial program development process. The proposed change to Part VI Section VII is to strike the highlighted item as follows:

The Academic Program Development Collaborative Team (APDCT), an advisory body to the Academic Council, is comprised of the **Undergraduate/Graduate Curriculum Committee chairs**; Educational Policies and Planning Committee (EPPC) chair; dean of the Graduate School; representatives from the Office of Continuing Studies and Distance Education, Institutional Research, Academic Planning and Accreditation, and Division of Health Sciences; and the Chair of the Faculty. APDCT collaborates with faculty planners to strengthen program proposals and makes recommendations to the Academic Council, EPPC, and the dean of the Graduate School (as applicable) on developing programs.

A Qualtrics survey regarding this item was created and distributed by email to voting members of EPPC on October 19, 2020. It was approved that same day.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryna Coonin, Secretary  
November 2, 2020