COMMITTEE: Faculty Senate Service-Learning Committee

MEETING DATE: 10/13/20

PERSON PRESIDING: Sachiyo Shearman

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Sachiyo Shearman, Priti Desai, Vera Tabakova, Craig Becker, Abby Schwartz, Jill Twark, Oghale Asagbra,

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Misun Hur, Wendy Bridgers, Rebecca Bagley, Kris Rixon, Tara Kermiet, Alberto Gonzalez-Valdes

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Rachel Baker

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ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Approval of minutes from the 09/08/2020 meeting

Discussion:

Action Taken: approved
Vera Tabakova made a motion, Abby Schwartz seconded.

Assigned additional duties to: none

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Agenda Item: Selecting representatives

Discussion:

Action Taken: Honor’s College Advisory Committee Representative is Vera Tabakova. Faculty Senate Award Committee Representative - SL teaching excellence award is Sachiyo Shearman.

Assigned additional duties to: The two representatives will contact the corresponding committee to inquire about meetings and responsibilities.

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Agenda Item: Subcommittee Membership Review

Discussion: Sachiyo invited other committee members to join the subcommittees.

Action Taken: The subcommittee members remain as described in the minutes from 09/08/2020.

Assigned additional duties to: none

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Agenda Item: Updating SL definition

Discussion:

- Tara - think about expanding how we view SL. Adopt a broader perspective on community-based learning.
• Tara - created a link on Teams/Resources to the CLCE website with journal articles and webinar information about community engagement during COVID-19. Need more specific information about SL ideas during COVID-19.

• Action Taken: The SL definition will be refined after continuing the conversation and receiving feedback from the subcommittee on creative ideas.

Assigned additional duties to: none

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Agenda Item: List of SL creative ideas during a pandemic

Discussion:
• Abby – created and uploaded a document on Teams/Files (and SharePoint) with examples from six different areas and the corresponding sources.
• Questions were raised about the expected output of this committee. How do we share/reach out to colleagues once we have ideas?
• Tara - can upload them on their website, she is the webmaster.
• Craig - suggested to focus on ideas that have worked: feature success stories during COVID-19 and build on the success.

Action Taken:
• The committee will contact faculty members who teach/have taught SL classes at ECU to find out what they are doing now.
• Misun volunteered to create a fillable form which will be distributed to the SL faculty members.

Assigned additional duties to: committee reports back next meeting

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Agenda Item: SL honor cords

Discussion:
• Priti – updated everybody on the honor cord discussion which carried over from Spring 2020.
• Wendy – should we count SL projects embedded in courses (e.g. community health courses) even if the course does not carry SL designation?
• Should we keep the 3 SL course minimum requirement?
• Should we keep the “C or above” requirement, or increase it?
• Craig – let’s stick with courses that have SL designation, we need to promote them.
• Craig – how do we promote the cords? SL faculty should promote them in their courses.
• Need to approve the honor cord criteria first.
• Need to reach out to advisors, faculty and students?
• How to treat students taking their SL course during the semester in which they graduate? Add an exception clause to the criteria.

Action Taken:
• Misun provided data from IPAR with all students who have taken SL classes, how many, and what grade they earned. IPAR can keep providing us with such data every semester, including students who have completed a course the previous semester or earlier.
• Jill made stylistic suggestions.
• The honor cords will be implemented in Spring 2021.
Assigned additional duties to: the committee will vote on the final version of the document next meeting.

Adjournment

Rebecca made a motion to adjourn, Craig seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

NEXT MEETING:  November 10, 2020